

Selectmen Meeting Minutes
January 7, 2025
@ 5 Kennebec Street
7:00pm

**Chair Arnold Luce, Vice Chair Jim Smith, Brenda Garland, Larry
McHugh, Sharon Mellows**

1. Minutes of December 26, 2024 Board of Selectmen meeting – Brenda motion, Larry second, passed 5-0
2. Warrants & Financials – Brenda motion, Larry second, passed 5-0
3. Department Head
 - a. Highway – Artie – absent
 - b. Fire Chief – Stacey
 1. Sewer Drain problem at North Station and issued with heating – Bowman for sewer drain and Mechanical Services contacted for repairs
 2. Chimney fire and engine 83 is still having pump issues – called to have repaired
 3. Two new firefighters are finishing up their certificates
 4. Still organizing North Station
 5. Everything is out of the old North Station – Steel is gone and building is locked to prevent entry (safety issue)
 6. Cascade Bottles, doors, window will be placed on market place to sell and money go back into fire budget
 7. Stacey inquired about the full-time wages - 50 hours, salary, no overtime. 7 am to 5 pm Monday – Friday (50 hours) Questions on overtime pay – TABLED till next meeting
 - a. Question on why one full time wage was more than the others and Kim explained that is because on has ACO hours included
 8. Pay Quarterly for volunteers – TABLED to next

meeting.

- c. Admin/interim Treasurer/Clerk – Nancy Gove absents – Kim Moody present
 1. Nancy will not be available January 9, 14 and 23, but we need to schedule times to meet to finalize Budget
4. Embden Contract – Selectmen reviewed and increased annual charge from \$50,709 to \$65,000 and equal monthly payment from \$4,225.75 to \$5,416.67
 1. Also increased Personnel from \$18.00 to \$20.00 per hour per person, one hour minimum, Trucks from \$150 to \$165 per hour per truck, one hour minimum and \$100 to \$110 per hour per truck after two hours. These are implemented after 25 (twenty-five) fire calls
 2. Jim motion, Larry second, passed 5-0 for both parts. This will be revised and ready for January 14th meeting for selectmen to sign and then it will go the Embden selectmen for their signatures
5. Personal property Write Offs presented – Jim motioned to write off from 2018 to 2023, Larry second, passed 5-0
6. Selectmen concerns - Arnold asked about changing the meeting from 7:00 pm to 6:00 pm – Larry motion, Jim second, passed 5-0
7. Public Session – NONE
8. Executive Session Personnel Matters 1 M.R.S.A. 4095 (6) (A) – 7:45 pm – Brenda motion, Larry second, passed 5-0/adjourn at 8:16 pm
9. A) Erin Norton will be contact by Chair Arnold Luce regarding availability to work Friday from 8 am to 4 pm at \$30 an hour – Brenda motion, Jim second, passed 5-0

B) Stacey Beane will be sworn in as Chief on Wednesday, January 8th

C) Haley Orr will help Kim Moody (Kim’s daughter) scan

information – 4-5 hours a week at \$16 an hour – Brenda motion, Jim second, passed 5-0

10) Adjourn at 8:30 pm – Jim motion, Brenda second, passed 5-0