

## **Selectmen Meeting Minutes**

**January 14, 2025**

**@ 5 Kennebec Street**

**6:00pm**

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

1. Minutes of January 7, 2025 Board of Selectmen meeting – Brenda motion, Jim second – discussion: Revise #4 Embden Contract change from monthly to a 9 pay and amount of each payment from \$4,225.75 to \$7,222.22 – Brenda motion, Jim second and passed 4/0
2. Warrant & Financials – Brenda motion, Sharon second, passed 4-0
3. Department Head
  - a. Highway – Artie
    - 2019 was down but has been repaired
    - Selectmen, Jim asked that the shed door in back lot of town office be repaired – needs a new hinge
    - Taking down the old North Anson fire station, should be down by next week. Artie gave us a list of items to be purchased: Gas stove \$50, furnace/hot water heater etc. \$1000, five windows for \$150, the lights are being used by fire station and highway. The people purchasing will come into Town office to pay and a receipt will be given to them to show Artie when picking up items. The front overhead door will be a trade for use of sizer lift and man lift. Cascade bottles going to one of the firemen. This was discussed at firemen meeting and all was in agreement. All selectmen present agreed to sale of items
    - Also, two very old gas generators and was agreed both will be sold and money go toward a new generator. Daryl Partridge will research and get prices and then they will be posted on market place

and digital board.

- Artie also gave us prices from contractors for dirt work and hot top and dirt work and reclaim asphalt as well as pricing if the highway department does the work along with a layout of the North Station parking lot. This is for the selectmen to review to move forward.

b. Fire Chief – Stacey

- They had their first meeting at the new fire station
- Issues with 83 and 82 but will be addressing issues
- Quarterly pay for volunteers – there was one question, but then all firemen agreed
- Randy from Bowman showed up at North Station to address the heating problem – he installed mixer valve and also placed elbow on drain to prevent sewer gases. The heating system may either be extremely hot or cold. Selectmen informed Stacey to stay on top of Bowman to get the problem corrected.
- Number was run for Embden fire calls and there was 44 for 2024, 3 questionable (location could not be determined) and the storms were included in this number. Total calls 194 or 195 for all fire fighters including full time (full time for two was 66)

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c. Admin/Treasurer/Clerk – Nancy Gove, Kim Moody – Neither present

4. Selectmen concerns

- Vacation Time for Town of Anson Office – Chair, Arnold told them to place their time on the calendar in the office.
- Spectrum has not returned calls
- Certificate of Settlement 36 M.R.S.A. 76, there was 6 needing to be signed – Brenda motion, Jim second and passed 4-0 – all selectmen present signed
- On the 28<sup>th</sup> there will be an Executive session prior

to the meeting.

5. Public Session - none

6. Adjourn 6:36 PM – Brenda motion, Jim second, passed 4-0