



Town of Clinton Selectmen's Meeting Minutes July 23, 2024

1. **Call to Order:** 6:30 pm Chairman Towne called the meeting to order.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance:** Chairman Towne opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America
3. **Selectmen Present/Quorum:** Chairman Jeffrey Towne, Brian Bickford and Ronnie Irving. Vice Chairman Steve Hatch and Selectman Mike Hachey were absent.
4. **Action Items:**
Approve minutes from July 9, 2024
Motion to approve by Selectman Bickford
Seconded by Selectman Irving
Carried 3-0

Next Item- Clinton/Benton Transfer Station agreement
Benton signed the agreement for July 1, 2024-June 30, 2025
Motion to accept by Selectman Irving
Seconded by Selectman Bickford
Carried 3-0

Next Item- Waterville Dispatch Service
Investment and Capital improvement fee is an administrative fee.
We will use overlay to fund the extra costs.
Budgeted amount \$57,000.00
Actual Amount \$72,962.52

Motion to approve by Selectman Irving
Seconded by Selectman Bickford
Carried 3-0

Motion to allow the Chairman to sign for the Board by Selectman Bickford
Seconded by Selectman Irving
Carried 3-0

Next Item- Transfer Station Cement Pad
The previous contractor has not been reliable, so he was let go.
He was not showing up when he was supposed to.

They have a new quote from Chris Levesque, \$19,770.00
Motion to approve by Selectman Bickford
Seconded by Selectman Irving
Carried 3-0

5. Discussion Items:

Design Build Fire Station

TM Swain sent out packets to some builders in the area. He met with Chief Leary and Justin Cote, they added another page to the packet.
Selectman Irving questioned the 19' ceilings.
The proposals are due back to TM by August 15th.

Next Item- Payroll Service

TM Swain would like to switch our payroll service to Trio.
Selectman Irving and Town Clerk Jessica Harriman are hesitant about that because of the issues we have had with Trio on other things.
The town would have to pay \$9,000 up front to get the payroll service, but after that it would be around \$1,200 a year.
TM said we would save \$5,000/year by switching to Trio.
He is going to get more information for the next meeting.

6. Unfinished Business: Wellman Paving

They do not want to pay half of the overage that they charged us.
TM Swain said he worked it out and they did bring what they charged us for. The roads needed more work than they thought.
Selectman Irving said they should have looked at the roads beforehand.
Chairman Towne said they did extra work outside of the contract at the end of the Bellsqueeze Road. Selectman Irving said that was discussed with Tim Gerow, and it cost about \$500 or \$600.
The Board does not want to pay the extra \$10,000.00.
TM Swain is going to invite Wellman Paving to the next meeting to discuss this with them in person.

7. Town Manager's Report:

Staff appreciation event is tomorrow at 3:00pm
Code Officer has issued 43 permits since he came here in May.
He is still getting quotes for the swap shop roof.
Transfer Station truck work has been completed.
The library has a few programs going on.
Johnson Flat Road ditching is done.
Grading and gravel work has been done to McKenney Road and Rogers Road.
TM Swain said they also put calcium down on Rogers Road after it rained.
Parks and Recreation has a concert scheduled for tomorrow.
There are baseball travel teams using the Clinton fields. We might be able to charge a small fee for these games outside of the PAL program.

Chairman Towne asked about Autotronics.

TM Swain said he spoke with Chief Leary, they said they are not requiring it, but they would appreciate a down payment of \$50,000.00.

He said there was another option that they talked about, if we paid \$50,000.00, then got a lease finance through our bank, we would have enough to pay the first payment due. We wouldn't have to raise any money for next year. We would raise the remaining payment in the 2026-2027 year.

He said a lease purchase does not require a town vote.

The Board did not agree with that idea.

TM said if the town doesn't approve it, then we would give the truck back.

Chairman Towne said then they could sue us, we are not going to go there.

This is tabled until the next meeting.

8. Supplements and Abatements: None

9. Next Meeting- August 13, 2024

Payroll service

Fire Station RFP

2023-2024 overdraft resolution

Tax Commitment

Transfer Station roof quotes

10. Treasurer's Warrant:

Treasurer's Warrant #37 (2023-2024 fiscal year) \$202,451.67

Motion to approve by Selectman Bickford

Seconded by Selectman Irving

Carried 3-0

Treasurer's Warrant #3 (current budget) \$84,037.59

Motion to approve by Selectman Bickford

Seconded by Selectman Irving

Carried 3-0

11. Questions & Comments:

Terry Knowles let everyone know that the Road Committee meeting is Thursday this week instead of Wednesday.

12. Adjourn:

Motion to adjourn by Selectman Irving

Seconded by Selectman Bickford

Carried 3-0

Adjourned at 7:54pm

Respectfully submitted,

Jessica Harriman

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Town Clerk