



Town of Clinton Selectmen's Meeting Minutes February 27, 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, Vice Chairman Stephen Hatch, Brian Bickford, Ronnie Irving, and Michael Hachey.
- 4. Peaks Renewable:**

There have been changes, they have a new contractor hauling to and from the farms, Tim Flood Cattle Company.
Chairman Towne said there were concerns expressed about the new contractor as well.

Selectman Irving is concerned with the weight they are hauling. He said they've been told they weigh approximately 9lbs/gallon, he doesn't believe the truck and trailer weighs less than 28,000lbs.

Tim Wade from Peaks Renewable said the agreement on posted roads was they would run reduced loads. He said they are hauling $\frac{3}{4}$ loads.

Irving asked if they're only hauling $\frac{3}{4}$ loads, why is it running out of the trailers on corners and uphill.

Tim Wade said they will be putting scales in at the facilities.

Irving said they are hauling on farm plates, and they cannot haul these on farm plates.

Tim Flood said there is only one truck with farm plates.

Irving said another concern was, he can't prove that it was their trucks, but the guardrail on the end of the Horseback Road was hit and is stove up.

Tim Wade said this was the first time he had heard of this, but he will look into it.

Peaks would like to talk about changing routes. They would like to travel the Hill Road instead of taking the Horseback Road. The only way that would work is if they could get a permit from the Town of Canaan to travel from the Canaan line on the Hill Road, down the Whitten Road to The Wright Place.

They are going to meet with Canaan to see if they are willing to issue them a permit, and then they will meet with our Board to create a new route.

5. Action Items:

Approve Minutes from February 13, 2024
So moved by Selectman Hachey
Seconded by Selectman Irving
Carried 5-0

Next item- Generator Contract, Ideal Electric
Maintenance once a year, \$290.00 from \$245.00
Motion to approve by Selectman Irving
Seconded by Selectman Bickford
Carried 5-0

Motion to allow Chairman to sign by Selectman Hachey
Seconded by Selectman Bickford
Carried 5-0

Next Item- Fire Station Roof Contract
TM Swain said they voted on it at the Town Meeting, but the project was never put out to bid.
The contractor said to add a 10% increase from the price that was quoted last year.
They said the heating system is the reason the roof is leaking. They aren't sure when it was installed.

Next Item- Spring/Summer Paving Bids
Pave 2 miles
7/10 mile on Hill Road
6/10 mile on Holt Road
1/10 mile on Water Street
6/10 mile on Upper Bellsqueeze Road

Selectman Irving said the paving would have to be completed by June 30th in order to be paid out of this year's money.

Bids are due March 21st at 3:00pm.
Mandatory Pre-Bid Meeting March 7th

Motion to accept paving RFP by Selectman Bickford
Seconded by Selectman Hachey
Carried 5-0

Next Item- Budget
TM Swain said he is working on getting the balances of the reserve accounts figured out.

Next Item- Fire Station Stephen King grant
Chief Leary would like the Board's permission to spend the money in this grant for extrication gear.

Motion to approve spending by Selectman Irving
Seconded by Selectman Hatch
Carried 5-0

6. Discussion Items:

7. Unfinished Business:

8. Town Manager's Report: Included in their packets.

Garrett Lower served a 14-day notice to the resident at 1842 Bangor Road for occupying a building without running water or sewer hookup.

Garrett also fixed the town office roof cap.

9. Supplements and Abatements: None

10. Next Meeting- March 12, 2024

Fire Station Roof
Budget & reserve accounts
Warrant articles
Reviewing ordinances
Jeff Pierce- Public Safety Building conversation

Special Selectmen's Meeting March 19th, 6:30pm.

11. Treasurer's Warrant:

Treasurer's Warrant #23 \$148,873.33

Motion to accept by Selectman Bickford
Seconded by Selectman Irving
Carried 5-0

12. Questions & Comments:

Selectman Irving said that there has been a family business in town for over 80 years, he thinks it would be a great idea to dedicate the town report to the Galusha Family.

A picture on the front page and an article on the inside of the front cover. The rest of the board agrees.

Justin Cote asked if there was an outline for what they're looking for with the new fire station and police station. He said the meetings have been very conflicted.

Chairman Towne said they are looking for a building for fire and police. The best recommendation for the voters at the town meeting.

Vice Chairman Hatch said he doesn't understand why there is talk about using the old elementary school, we bought the property next door to the town office for this purpose. He said the elementary school would be great for elderly or assisted living. Officer Chouinard said he thought the grant money was for new construction only.

13. Adjourn:

Motion to adjourn by Selectman Irving
Seconded by Selectman Hachey
Carried 5-0
Adjourned at 8:47pm

Respectfully submitted,

Jessica Harriman

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Town Clerk