

**Town of Woodstock
Select Board Meeting
August 20th, 2024
6:00 pm
Town Hall & Zoom
Minutes**

Draft minutes are subject to approval.

Present: Chair Ray Bourgeois, Susan Ford, Keri Cole, Greg Fullerton, Laura Powell, Eric Duffy, Sarah Glasser Tucker, Robert Desmore, Roy Bates, Kevin Geiger

A. Call to order

1. Chair Bourgeois called the Select Board meeting of August 20th to order at 6:00 pm.

B. Addition to & deletions from posted agenda

1. Reallocation of Capital funds for purchase of skid steer and lawn mower was added

C. Citizen's Comments – Roy Bates

D. Votes

- a. Sarah Glasser Tucker – Planning Commission Appointment

Motion: Susan Ford to Appoint Sarah Glasser Tucker to the Planning Commission (6:17pm)

Seconded: by Laura Powell

Vote: 5-0-0, passed.

- b. Liquor license – Woodstock Village Market – 2nd Class
- c. Liquor license – Kelly Way Gardens – 1st Class
- d. Liquor license – 506 On the River
 - a. First Class
 - b. Third Class

Motion: Susan Ford to Approve Liquor license Woodstock Village Market – 2nd Class, Kelly Way Gardens – 1st Class, 506 On the River- First Class & Third Class. With the understanding the state has reviewed the license (6:18 pm)

Seconded: by Laura Powell

Vote: 5-0-0, passed.

- e. Safford Commons – Sewer Permit

Motion: Susan Ford to Approve Sewer Permit for Safford Commons

Seconded: by Laura Powell (6:19pm)

Vote: 5-0-0, passed.

- f. FY 25 Tax Rate Approval -Robert Desmore

1. Total approved budget – \$8,020,315.00
2. Special Articles – \$209,000.00
3. State agreements – \$140,637.00
4. County Tax – \$68,165.00
5. Total Nontax Revenue – \$1,986,040.00
6. Tax Revenue to be raised – \$6,452,077.00
7. Municipal Tax Rate per \$100,000 – \$701.06

Homestead

State homestead tax rate per \$100,000 – \$2,630.30

Town of Woodstock tax rate per \$100,000 – \$701.06

Total taxes due for homestead taxpayer per \$100,000 – \$3,331.36

Non-Homestead

State non homestead tax rate per \$100,000 – \$2,185.40

Town of Woodstock tax rate per \$100,000 – \$701.06

Total taxes due for non-homestead taxpayer per \$100,000 – \$2,886.46

- ▶ Municipal percent increase – 2.7%

State education homestead

2024- Percent increase - 8.2 %

2025- Percent increase - 30.2%

State education non-homestead

2024- Percent increase - 2.2 %

2025- Percent increase - 18.4%

Motion: Susan Ford to approve FY25 Tax Rate

Seconded: by Laura Powell (6:33pm)

Vote: 5-0-0, passed.

g. Reallocation of Capital funds for purchase of skid steer and lawn mower

Eric asked to approve \$111,336 from Woodstock the capital

reserve transfer fund for purchasing of a skid steer and lawn mower

Motion: Susan Ford to approve the fund transfer

Seconded: by Laura Powell (6:35pm)

Vote: 5-0-0, passed.

E. Discussion

Cloudland Road Update

Pomfret voted to close the road from September 26th October 16th

Two Rivers - Kevin Geiger

Kevin outlines various flood prevention projects in Woodstock and Woodstock Village, including Bridgewater Mill, Larry Curtis Road, and Riverside Mobile Home Park.

The board discusses the potential for floodplain restoration and the importance of addressing flood-prone areas.

The board is asked to prioritize projects and provide feedback on the list of potential flood prevention measures.

Waste water plant update

Vote pushed until March 2025 – working with Hoyle Tanner – figure out how the cost is allocated between users and non-users

Fire Engine Purchase Request – Dave Green

Board wants to warn the meeting before any vote

Requested information regarding commercial insurance rates and not having a ladder truck

Susan Ford wanted to have public meeting

F. Executive Session 1 V.S.A 313

Motion: Susan Ford to go into Executive Session 1 V.S.A 313

Seconded: by Laura Powell (7:17pm)

Vote: 5-0-0, passed.

G. Cannabis License Renewal

1. 7 V.S.A. § 901

The select board will take no action

H. Approval of Minutes

1. 7.8.24 Minutes

2. 7.16.24 Minutes

3. 7.25.24 Minutes

4. 8.5.24 Minutes

5. 8.12.24 Minutes

Motion: by Susan Ford to Approve Minutes 7.8.24,7.16.24,8.5.24,8.12.24

Seconded: by Laura Powell (7:18pm)

Vote: 5-0-0, passed.

Motion: by Laura Powell to Approve Minutes 7.25.24

Seconded: by Susan Ford (7:19pm)

Vote: 5-0-0, passed.

I. Adjournment

Motion: by Susan Ford to adjourn the meeting at 7:19 pm.

Seconded: by Laura Powell

Vote: 5-0-0, passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Kitty Mears Koar

Raymond Bourgeois

Susan

Greg Fullerton

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