

**TOWN OF ALSTEAD, NEW HAMPSHIRE**  
**Select Board**  
**Approved Minutes for Meeting of January 12 at 6:00 p.m.**  
**Municipal Building, 15 Mechanic Street, Alstead, NH 03602**

To attend via Google Meet, access code is <https://meet.google.com/hnr-zuns-igp>

**Conference call: (978) 990-5000, access code 539083#**

**SELECT BOARD PRESENT:** Rock Wilson (in person); Mary Ann Wolf (on phone); Joe Levesque (on Google Meets)

**STAFF PRESENT:** Charlotte Comeau, Office Administrator; Steve Murrell, Police Chief; Prescott Trafton, Road Agent (in person); Susan Norlander, Moderator (on phone)

**COMMUNITY MEMBERS:** Ben Duffy-Howard; Gordon Kemp; Richard Nalevanko (in person), Glenn Elsesser; Judith Willis (on phone)

**CALL TO ORDER:** Rock Wilson called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m. and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance

**ACTION ITEMS:** Signed bill and payroll manifest, timber report warrants

**OLD BUSINESS:** The Board acknowledged Susan Norlander. Discussion was regarding what she learned at the Moderator class regarding holding the deliberative session. She said that we need to hold a meeting and that we need to make available a section for people that can't wear masks. Discussion took place on communicating to the voters of what exactly is going to happen. It was decided that a mailer would be sent out. Susan said people cannot call in that you have to do it one way or the other. However, it could be live streamed. Mary Ann asked about sending out a mailer. Susan felt this is a good idea. Charlotte asked Mary Ann if she could write this up. Susan said she would look things over as well. On a motion by Mary Ann, seconded by Joe; ***the Board voted to hold the deliberative session in the gym like usual. The motion passed unanimously.***

Review of the updated inclement weather policy took place as well as snow in right of way and parking ordinance. Steve says the policy governs it all and the ordinance allows them to charge a fee. On a motion by Mary Ann, seconded by Joe; ***the Board voted to accept the "Winter, High Winds, and Inclement Weather Policy and Priorities"***. On the 26<sup>th</sup> there will be a hearing at the town hall on the ordinances for winter parking and snow in the right of way.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Mary Ann brought up the Broadband Committee report that Gordon wrote. All were in agreement with what was written.

Mary Ann brought up the warrant article on the F550. Although she agreed last week to approve this warrant article, she has now changed her mind and retracted her vote. She is now a no for this but Rock and Joe still remain a yes.

**MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING:** Minutes of December 29: On a motion by Mary Ann, seconded by Joe; ***the Board voted to approve the minutes as written. The motion passed unanimously.***

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Ben asked about getting a public trash barrel to put by the gazebo so people won't be littering. Prescott said that they have tried that in the past and the barrels end up on the side with trash all over the place. Prescott said the biggest thing is trying to get people to actually use the trash barrel but will look into it some more.

Prescott mentioned that he wasn't going to submit an article about changing the scenic road because he found out that the Board can make a decision about taking down trees that are dangerous regardless that it is a scenic road.

**INFORMATIONAL:** Office is closed on Monday the 18th for Martin Luther King Day.

Public Hearing on the proposed budget and current warrant articles January 19, 2021, 6:00 at the Town Hall.

On a motion by Mary Ann, seconded by Joe; ***the Board voted to adjourn at 7:10 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.***

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Charlotte Comeau". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping underline.

Charlotte Comeau, Office Administrator

The next meeting of the Select Board is scheduled for Tuesday, January 19<sup>th</sup> after the Public Hearing.