

Town of Bartlett
Office of Selectmen
Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, January 3, 2024

Attendees: Chairman Gene Chandler, Selectman Vicki Garland, Selectman Ronald Munro

Meeting opened at 4:00 p.m.

Selectman Garland made a motion to approve the minutes of 12/19/2023. Selectman Munro seconded the motion. Roll call vote GGC – yes, VLG – yes, RTM – yes

Chairman Chandler asked if everyone was ok with extending the acceptance of flood damaged items at the transfer station until 1/9/2024. All agreed that was good. Any additional requests will be handled on a case by case basis through the selectmen's office.

Selectman Garland shared that the Planning Board met on Monday, 1/1/2024 and reviewed their first attempt at a warrant article addressing short term rentals. The Planning Board members had many additions and changes and PB Secretary Barbara Bush will be sending the changes out to their members soon. Planning Board Chair Scott Grant arrived at the meeting and Chairman Chandler mentioned the selectmen saw some problems with the PB proposal. Selectmen will review again after the changes are made, but Chairman Chandler expressed concern over a tight timeline on a complex issue.

Selectman Garland made a motion at 4:27 p.m. to enter nonpublic session for a personnel item per NH RSA 91 – A:3 II (a). Selectman Munro seconded the motion. Roll call vote GGC – yes, VLG – yes, RTM – yes

Selectman Garland made a motion at 4:59 p.m. to end the nonpublic session and seal the minutes. Selectman Munro seconded the motion. Roll call vote GGC –yes, VLG – yes, RTM – yes

Mike Morin, Conservation Director of the Upper Saco Valley Land Trust, attended the meeting to discuss questions the selectmen and their representative to the Dundee Community Forest Management Committee, David Shedd, had regarding the proposed Memorandum of Understanding that would guide the management committee. There were questions and concerns regarding a change in the number of committee members from the original MOU that was shared. Mr. Morin and the selectmen discussed the proposed changes and Mr. Morin will forward a final copy of the MOU to the selectmen for signatures.

Patsy Rogerson came to the meeting to share her situation regarding the flooding that occurred on 12/18/2023. Many residents from areas affected by the flooding also attended the meeting. Chairman Chandler clarified that the selectmen did not have an item on their agenda regarding flooding. He reminded all that FEMA has yet to declare this storm and that FEMA had just visited Bartlett that very afternoon to view town damaged property. The representative from FEMA specifically told Chairman Chandler that they would not be viewing private property at that time. Chairman Chandler reminded everyone that anyone with damage should be sure to call NH211 (or 866-444-4211) to report their damages or how the flooding affected them. There was extensive discussion regarding individual property owner's experience with the flooding. There were questions asked why the town did not repair the dikes or levies on the river. Chairman Chandler explained that permits were applied for and denied.

It was decided that the selectmen will try to find information about possible repairs and share the information with the residents. It was also suggested that the residents make contact with NRCS (Natural Resources Conservation Service) for possible assistance or remedies.

The next meeting of the selectmen will be on Wednesday, January 17, 2024 at 4:00 pm.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Miller
Secretary

Permits Approved:

Date	Owner Name	Map/Parcel	Type of permit
1/3/2024	Ledge View Lodges LLC	1RT016-145-L03 Hidden Glades	Construction – house
1/3/2024	Ledge View Lodges LLC	1RT016-145-L02 Hidden Glades	Construction – house
1/3/2024	Mark/Charinee Hemphill	1RT16A-218-H23 23 Beechwoods at Intervale	Construction – family room

Items signed:

Accounts Payable Checks

Payroll Checks

Letter – Bearfoot Creek – L20- subdivision questions

Letter – Ptarmigan LLC – building permit clarification

Letter – 2RT016-182-REC –response to inquiry for use of Christmas Mtn Club