

1 **SELECTBOARD MEETING**

2 January 25, 2024

3 Attending the meeting; Merrily Lovell, Maggie Gordon, Mike Loner, Dennis Place, Paul Lamberson, Joy
4 Dubin Grossman, Todd Odit,

5 Meeting called to order at 4:05 p.m.

6 Agenda Additions or Deletions

7 none

8 Public Comment

9 none

10 Consider Approval of FY25 Budget

11 Merrily asked all board members to say whether they will vote for the budget or not and why.

12 Maggie said she supported the budget and that it is less than what they started with in October and that
13 it was pretty bare bones.

14 Mike said he would vote for the budget and appreciates that while it has gone up over the years, it is closer
15 to reflecting the actual costs to run the town.

16 Paul said he would vote for the budget and that he echoed the statements already made.

17 Dennis said he was originally going to vote against the budget. He realizes that the budget is bare bones
18 but it is still costly. He would like to find ways for some services like the bus to be more self-sufficient He
19 is concerned about taxes overall especially school taxes and is the general direction of Vermont as a whole.

20 Merrily said that she would vote for the budget and simply sees no places to make further cuts.

21 Maggie moved and Paul seconded to approve the F25 operating budget. The motion passed 5-0.

22 Consider Approval of the FY25 Capital Budget

23 Maggie moved and Paul seconded to approve the FY25 capital budget. The motion passed 5-0.

24 Consider Approval of the 2024 Town Meeting Warning

25 Todd explained that all of the articles were routine and there weren't any that were likely to be
26 controversial. He noted that he asked the Town Treasurer if she wanted to change her policy and allow the
27 acceptance of postmarks for the timeliness of tax payments but she decided to leave the policy as not
28 accepting them.

29 Adjourn

30 Maggie moved to adjourn at 4:15 p.m. Seconded by Paul and approved with 5 yes votes.

31 Respectfully submitted,

32 Todd Odit

Approved 2/7/2024