

APPROVED MINUTES  
SELECTBOARD MEETING  
TOWN OF BENSON, VT  
DECEMBER 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023, 7:00pm

**Selectboard Present:**

Linda Peltier (Chair), Brad Barrett, Guy Charlton, Tom Bartholomew

**Selectboard Absent**

Jerod Glover

**Others Present:**

Heidi Chandler (Town Clerk/Treasurer), Carrie LaFond (Selectboard Assistant)

**Public Present:**

Jon Dodd, Wayne Fletcher

**Call to Order:**

Linda Peltier (Chair) called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

**Approved Agenda:**

Motion to approve the agenda as presented was made by Brad Barrett, seconded by Guy Charlton, motion passed unanimously.

**Public Comment:** None

**Discuss and Act on Approving Plans for Town Garage**

- Tom Bartholomew and Brad Barrett met previously with Gary Freeguard to go over the plans for the Town Garage
- Tom Bartholomew supplied the board with a Site Map, Article 1 Services Provided, Article 2 Compensation and Billing Estimates, Partial Draft Notes -meeting with Gary Freeguard meeting, and a **Draft Contract** for building the garage, Article 3 Term of contract (April 24- August 24), Estimate- from Gary Freeguard \*all documents available in file.
- Discussion on color of building- Possibly green
- Bollards are not included- however recommended.
- Discussion on using ARPA funds.
  - "Point of Order" John Dodd – back to garage discussion

Motion by Tom Bartholomew, second by Guy Charlton to approve the plans presented for the Building of the Town Garage, (Poll of the board Guy -yes, Tom- yes, Brad-yes), motion passed unanimously.

**Discuss and Act on Contract for Town Garage**

- Contract to be revised and sent to the Town Attorney for Review and signed by the board at the following meeting.

Motion by Brad Barrett, second by Guy Charlton for the Town Clerk and Tom Bartholmew to revise the Contract presented to the board and send to the Town Attorney for review, motion passed unanimously.

**Discuss and Act on Down Payment for Town Garage**

- Motion by Brad Barrett to postpone the down payment discussion until the next meeting.

**Adjournment:**

Motion to adjourn by Brad Barrett, Second by Guy Charlton 8:20pm.

Respectfully submitted.

Carrie LaFond

Selectboard Assistant

***Documents referenced in these minutes can be found at the Benson Town Office.***