APPROVED MINUTES SPECIAL SELECTBOARD MEETING TOWN OF BENSON, VT JANUARY 29th, 2024, 7:00pm

Selectboard Present:

Linda Peltier, Jerod Glover, Guy Charlton, Tom Bartholomew, and Brad Barrett

Others Present:

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

Public Present: Jack Helm, Wayne Fletcher, Ben Bartholomew, Daphne Bartholomew

Call to Order:

Linda Peltier (Chair) called the meeting to order at 7:05pm.

Approved Agenda:

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

Public Comment:

Linda Peltier (Chair) advised the board she had contacted the Town's Attorney regarding the petition to use ARPA funds to reduce the amount to be borrowed for the town garage and he advised having the petition placed on the warning.

Budget Review

 Reviewed both the General and highway budget, recommendations were made to a few areas that could be reduced.

Review of Articles

- Reviewed all the articles to be put on the warning for town meeting.
- Added an article for voting the budget by Australian vote.
- Added an article to eliminate the position of Constable.

Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn by Tom Bartholomew at 9:26pm.

 $Respectfully\ submitted.$

Carrie LaFond

Selectboard Assistant