

Alexandria Selectmen's Meeting Minutes

January 25, 2022

- ❖ **Members Present:** George Tuthill, Chet Caron and Robert Piehler
- ❖ The meeting came to order at 6:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
- ❖ The minutes from the January 4, 2022 meeting were approved.
- ❖ **Items Reviewed and Signed**
 - LRPC Household Hazardous Product Collection Program commitment to participate 2022
 - Abatement: Map 202 Lot 42 Rousseau
 - Abatement: Map 418 Lot 63 Carlin
 - Excavation Tax Warrant: Map 414 Lot 33 Joseph & Gina Morrison
 - Returned Payment Policy
 - Upper Valley Humane Society Agreement
 - Notice of Intent to Excavate: Map 414 Lot 33 Joseph & Gina Morrison
 - Notice of Intent to Excavate: Map 418 Lot 224 Boake Morrison
 - PA29: Application for Veteran's Credit Map 407 Lot 21-1
 - Tax Map Maintenance Proposal/Cartographic Associates Inc
- ❖ **Business**
 - 2022 Town Warrant
 - The Selectmen reviewed the 2022 Town Warrant (see attached) and voted to recommended all warrants articles (3-0) except article 19. Warrant article 19 was submitted by petition and does not require a board recommendation.
 - Michael Provost asked Paul Sirard whether he support warrant article 19 which requests Adams Road be town maintained; Mr. Sirard stated that the is not in favor of the warrant article.
 - Cindy Williams asked whether the Selectmen were going to move forward with a warrant article for a solar exemption. The Selectmen explained that they chose to not include a solar exemption on the ballot this year as they would like more information about the assessing of solar panels before making any decision.
 - Review request to update bridge on Welton Falls Road
 - The Selectmen and Paul Sirard discussed a request from Matthew Gregg to allow for repairs to a bridge on the Class VI section of Welton Falls Road; the Selectmen and Mr. Sirard were okay with the proposal.
- ❖ **Appointment**
 - Larry Monroe
 - Mr. Monroe expressed concerns that, in previous years, the Selectmen have unanimously voted to approve the articles on the warrant. It was explained that the Selectmen create the warrant and, other than petitioned warrant articles, the Selectmen only put articles on the warrant that they recommend.
 - Mr. Monroe expressed his opinion that purchasing the land for the new transfer station was a mistake. There was discussion on the lease and previous discussions to purchase the land that the transfer station current sits on; it was expressed that discussions have happened with the owner in the past and they were unproductive. Mr. Monroe suggested approaching the property owner requesting a 100-year lease; no interest was expressed in moving forward with that suggestion.
 - Mr. Monroe expressed his concern with the proposed budget for the merged police department and how that budget was broken down for the towns. Mr. Tuthill explained that the savings Alexandria would see is displayed in the totals that were provided on the spreadsheet.

Meeting adjourned at 6:55 pm

Respectfully submitted, Jennifer Dostie, Administrative Assistant

Also in attendance: Doug Benton, Paul Sirard, Steve Whitman, Steve LaCasse, Larry Monroe, Roxanne Kelly, Michael Provost, Cindy Williams, Kerry Rockwell, and Don Paiva
