

# Alexandria Selectmen's Meeting Minutes

## March 15, 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 March 1, 2022 meeting were approved.
- ❖ **Items Reviewed and Signed**
  - 2022 MS-232 Report of Appropriations Actually Voted
  - Building Notification: Map 414 Lot 79 Cass Mill Road
  - Purchase Order 1174: Hansen Bridge/Shem Valley Road Bridge
  - Purchase Order 1175: Washing, priming & painting municipal building
- ❖ **Departments/Commissions**
  - Congratulations was given to Robert Piehler for being reelected as Selectmen.
  - Mr. Piehler made a motion to nominate George Tuthill as Chair of the Board of Selectmen; seconded by Chet Caron; all aye.
  - The Selectmen thanked everyone that helped with the elections on March 8<sup>th</sup> and thanked all of the voters that participated. Special thanks was given to Dennis Ford for his years of service as the Town Moderator and Vinny Governanti was welcomed as the newly elected Town Moderator.
  - The Selectmen announced that Hansen Bridge will begin work this week on a bridge on the Class VI portion of Welton Falls Road. This work is being paid for by the property owners of the properties at Tax Map 403 Lot 5 and Tax Map 404 Lot 12 (Matthew Gregg and David & Patricia Gregg). The property owners on the part of the road impacted have been notified by the Greggs regarding the work. The bridge design information is available in the Selectmen's office. The Selectmen and Road Agent approved the design. Concerns were expressed regarding whether the road would be posted for cars only; the Selectmen stated that there would be no such posting on the road or bridge.
  - The Selectmen discussed concerns expressed by a resident that Bog Road is marked as "Road Closed" and feels the road should be marked as "Not a thru Road". A resident reported problems receiving deliveries from companies when they see the "Road Closed" signs. The Selectmen suggested that the resident inform the delivery company of the road status; the signs will not be changed.
  - There was discussion on the passage of the petitioned warrant article for the school district regarding establishing a study group to address school district funding. The Selectmen made the decision to appoint Cindy Williams to represent Alexandria on the study group with Doug Benton as an alternate.
  - Kerry Rockwell questioned why the petitioned warrant article to the school district had been allowed to be amended; Mr. Tuthill explained that there is case law that makes it legal to amend petitioned warrant articles. There was discussion on why the budget committee was unable to amend warrant articles at their meeting, such as adding road names to the paving warrant articles. It was explained that warrant articles can be amended at the deliberative session and that specific roads to be paved are not referenced in the warrant article because that would place too much of a limitation on the paving funds should damage be done to a different road and that road become the priority for paving.

Meeting adjourned at 6:20 pm

Respectfully submitted, Jennifer Dostie, Administrative Assistant

Also in attendance: Paul Sirard, Steve LaCasse, Kerry Rockwell, Nancy McComas-Sharp, Larry Sharp, Nancy Whitman, Steve Whitman, Vinny Governanti, Stephanie McComas

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