

**Town of Nelson
Selectmen's Meeting
3:00 PM**

January 5, 2022

Executive Board Attending: Brenna Kucinski, Maury Collins, Bill Dunn, Edie Drinkwater, Admin. Assist.

Others attending: J. Filipi

At 3:09 PM Brenna Kucinski opened the January 5, 2022 meeting of the Nelson Select Board.

Note: *With only one bid presented for the ASHP project, the Board agreed, at their last meeting, to extend an extra week to a second bidder who had been unable to meet the deadline due to COVID quarantine for himself and his family. The Board agreed that having more than one bid better meets the interest of the Town.*

● Maury made a motion to approve the minutes for December 29, 2021 as recorded.

Brenna seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

● Joseph Filipi came before the Board to review and discuss the 2022 Police budget. Pending the return of all appropriate documentation, Joseph is slated to become the new Nelson Police Chief. A full review of all equipment, vehicles, and the police office is currently underway with the assistance of former Police Officer, Wayne Kassotis. Aaron Treadwell, of Twin Bridge Services will assist with the set-up of all IT services.

● Brenna made a motion to approve the manifests for December 31, 2021 and January 5, 2022 as presented.

Bill seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

● Bids were opened for the ASHP heating/cooling project with the following results:

Gary Jackson Heating Services – 63,858.29

Zajac Heating/Cooling Services – 46,080.64

The bids offered different approaches to the project and the Board decided to invite the low bidder to the next meeting for an in-depth review of his proposal and bid.

● Following a review of submitted plans, Bill made a motion to approve a Building Permit for R.

Liberstein of The Glass Hammer, contingent on all DES requirements being met for construction near wetlands.

Brenna seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

● With regret and thanks for several years of service, Bill made a motion to accept the resignation of Dennis Dellagrecia as Emergency Management Director.

Brenna seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

● Upon receiving a request from P. Beffa-Negrini, Chair of the Nelson Community Power Committee, Maury made a motion to appoint Jonathan Pfister as a new member to the committee.

Brenna seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

- Bill reported a resident's complaint regarding the roadside cutting by the Highway Department that cut down her lilac bush. Upon visiting the site, it was noted that the bush was located next to the road on a blind curve area along with other growth that was cut, opening the traffic site-line. It was further noted that the bush was cut about 8 inches above the ground and it is very likely will grow back in the spring and could then be transplanted in another location. The Board agreed to revisit the matter in late spring.

- It was noted that parking in the traveled portion of Old Stoddard Road continues to be a problem as hikers gain access to Partridge Woods from random location rather than use the designated parking lots. The Police Department will be notified of this ongoing problem.

- With nothing further, Maury made a motion to adjourn.

Bill seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

Meeting Adjourned 5:49 PM.

Next meeting January 12, 2022 at 3:00 PM

For January 5, 2022

Brenna Kucinski, Chair

Maury Collins, Selectman

William Dunn, Selectman