

**Town of Nelson
Selectmen's Meeting
1:00 PM**

November 17, 2021

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

Others attending: Gary Jackson Heating, Lisa Sieverts, D. Birchenough

At 1:00 PM Brenna Kucinski opened the November 17, 2021 meeting of the Nelson Select Board. This portion of the meeting is for a vendor walk-thru of the Town Office and Library and Library Lower Level for the purpose of developing a bid for Air Source Heat Pumps for both buildings.

● Gary Jackson Heating service was the only vendor to attend. Brenna directed the walk-thru with Maury, Lisa Sieverts and Dave Birchenough in attendance. Due to the age of the Old Brick Schoolhouse, difficulties in unit placement were a large part of the discussion. With the entry, bathroom, work and meeting spaces separated, some areas such as the bathroom and kitchen would likely remain cold unless the doors are kept open at all times.

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

Others attending: Lisa Sieverts

● The Board unanimously denied a request for Monadnock Folklore Society to use the Town Hall for their annual Christmas event and also to record a video. With the continued rise in COVID cases, the Board felt it best to remain closed to moderate or large public or private gatherings.

● After updating Bill about the walk-thru and further discussion regarding the problems with best placement of the ASHP, the Board began considering the possibility of using some thermostatically controlled electric baseboard heaters, as used in the file room. Bill made a motion to call Gary Jackson heating to get pricing on these units for difficult areas of the Town office. (Kitchen, Bathroom, and possibly all areas). Each room could then have better control of the temperature while in use and reduced when not needed while not altering the comfort of other separate working areas.

Brenna seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

● Bill made a motion to approve the minutes for November 3, 2021 as recorded.

Brenna seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

● Maury made a motion to approve the manifests for November 10th and 17th as presented

Brenna seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

● Maury made a motion to approve the 2022 Alarm Testing agreement with BK Systems.

Bill seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

● The Board reviewed the annual service report for the large generator behind the safety building. It remains in good working order with all systems functioning when tested.

- Maury made a motion to approve a request from Home Health, Hospice, and Community Services for funding in the 2022 budget in the amount of \$550.

Brenna seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

- Following a review of the submitted application, Bill made a motion to approve a Building Permit for J. Putzel for the installation of a roof mount solar array.

Maury seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

- Brenna made a motion to approve the Equalization Certificate for 2021.

Bill seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

- Following up on a culvert concern presented by D. Guy, the Board met with the Road Agent to view the problem. It was determined that the culvert has been in place for many years and functioning. The problem was caused by the excessive amount of rain depositing more debris than usual. The property owner placed a building very close to the end of the culvert and as a result is experiencing problems.

The remedy the land owner presented would require blasting of the ledge and the culvert is on private property. Increased maintenance by the landowner is recommended during a year of increased rainfall. Bill made a motion to approve a letter to D. Guy explaining the Board's findings and recommendation.

Maury seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

- Following a brief discussion, Bill made a motion to accept the Ekman engineering proposal and to go forward with the first stage of the engineering plan.

Brenna seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

- Bill made a motion to approve the Conservation Commission Budget for 2022 as requested.

Maury seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

- Following lengthy discussion and research, Bill made a motion to appeal the ZBA decision in the E. Schillemat variance and to file a motion with the clerk for reconsideration.

Brenna seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

- Bill made a motion to approve the mower rental contract as requested by the Highway department.

Maury seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

- Maury made a motion to approve a letter to the A. Hebert Irrevocable Trust regarding the status of ongoing zoning violations.

Bill seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

- After considering a request from the Cemetery Board to share the Town Sexton for service to the cemeteries, the Selectmen recommend that they hire a one-time contractor to tend to the large projects or hire the current contractor for additional time to complete the jobs.

- Next meeting December 1, 2021 at 2:00 PM followed at 3:30 PM by a meeting of the final Emergency Management Operations

● With nothing further, Maury made a motion to adjourn.
Brenna seconded.
The motion carried 3-0.

4:40 PM Meeting Adjourned.

For November 17, 2021

Brenna Kucinski, Chair

Maury Collins, Selectman

William Dunn, Selectman