

Town of Nelson
Selectmen's Meeting
3:00 PM

February 16, 2022

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

Others attending: J. Sarcione along with 2 members of the Fire Dept., A. Guida

At 3:05 PM Brenna Kucinski opened the February 16, 2022 meeting of the Nelson Select Board.

● Bill made a motion to approve the minutes for February 9, 2022, as recorded.

Brenna seconded.

The motion carried 2-0. (Maury had not arrived.)

● Bill made a motion to approve the manifest for February 16, 2022 as presented.

Brenna seconded.

The motion carried 2-0. (Maury had not arrived.)

● Fire Chief Joe Sarcione came before the Board with a list of items to be addressed:

- Box of Receipts found in station
- Introduced new members of the Department
- Noted a need for office supplies
- Primary computer needs to be replaced
- Request approval to purchase fuel at Mr. Mikes
- Expressed concern over the off-road diesel now used
- Requested dry cleaning of white uniform shirts that will be used by the members
- Suggested paving the driveway at the Fire Station
- Estimate for replacing the awning on the Rescue Truck \$1667.90
- Reported that Mutual Cards are several years old and outdated
- Questions if an equipment list from each truck was ever reported to the Town office
- Reported that only 5 breathing apparatus are serviceable
- Will research grant opportunities
- Joe discussed paint and wall/ceiling repair with the Sexton
- Free wood flooring was donated and to be put in the Fire office
- Battery backup needed for computer
- Cascade unit to be tested and set up at an approx. cost of \$700.00
- Requests all new lock system for Fire Department with individual personnel codes
- Reported that J. Walter will handle return of the Forestry truck no longer wanted
- Noted the ongoing surface water problem on the floor
- Granite Lake Fire Station - cracked walls and needs new soffits
- Radio installation into Chief's personnel vehicle \$585.00
- Update Mutual aid authorized personnel (alarm)
- Update occupancy limits for all public spaces
- March 5th plans a work detail and wants everything removed that is not needed/wanted
- Air packs will be held a 5 for now
- Chief Change form to be completed
- Requests process to purchase supplies from Bound Tree (Town has account)

4:04 PM

- Brenna made a motion to recess the business meeting to open the Public Hearing on consideration of accepting a gift or grant in excess of \$10,000.

Bill seconded.

The motion carried 3-0. (Maury had arrived at the meeting)

- At 4:04 PM Brenna opened the Public Hearing with a reading of the following:

Public Notice Town of Nelson, NH

Notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing will be held in accordance with RSA 31:95-b by order of the Select Board of the Town of Nelson.

Date: Wednesday February 16, 2022

Time: 4:00 PM

Location: Nelson Town Office – Old Brick Schoolhouse

The purpose of the hearing is to give notice to the public and interested parties of the intention of the Nelson Selectmen to consider acceptance of unanticipated funds made available from ARPA funds and distributed by the State of New Hampshire and Cheshire County. The distribution amount from the State of New Hampshire anticipated to be \$76,842.20 and the amount anticipated from Cheshire County to be \$16,176.51. The funds may only be used in accordance with the ARPA Final rules and guidelines for expenditure.

All persons interested in the proposed action and wishing to be heard concerning the matter will be recognized at the above place and time.

The Nelson Board of Selectmen

Brenna Kucinski, Chair

Maury Collins

William Dunn

● A. Guida was recognized and he presented suggestions that the bridge infrastructure in Nelson and Stoddard are both in need of attention and a possible good use for the funds. Brenna noted that the Town buildings need new heating systems, noting a recent failure of the motor in the furnace heating the Town Hall. The furnace is old and replacement parts are no longer available. The funds would likely cover the entire project at no cost to the taxpayer. Bill then made a motion to accept the full amount of grant funds anticipated to total \$93,018.71. Brenna seconded. The motion carried 3-0.

● At 4:14 PM Brenna made a motion to close the Public Hearing. Maury seconded. The motion carried 3-0.

● Brenna then made a motion to reconvene the regular business meeting. Bill seconded. The motion carried 3-0.

● Following a review of the file and submitted application and plans, Bill made a motion to approve a demo permit for the removal of an existing attached garage, a Building Permit to replace the garage with a new 1 ½ story garage, and a Building Permit to add an addition to the opposite end of the house in accordance with the submitted plans. Brenna seconded. The motion carried 3-0.

Other items briefly discussed for future consideration and action:

- Webinar for Town Meeting
- Mess left by Eversource tree cutting - a landowner issue
- Resident requests consideration of repaving of Granite Lake Road (Toward Sullivan)
- Bill reported that plans are underway for storage cabinets in the Town Hall closet for the Town Clerk and Monadnock Folklore Society. (To be paid for by Monadnock Folklore Society)

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

Meeting Adjourned 4:50 PM to enjoy refreshments in honor of Brenna's Birthday.

Next meeting March 1, 2022 at 5:30 PM

For February 16, 2022

Brenna Kucinski, Chair

Maury Collins, Selectman

William Dunn, Selectman