

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

February 28, 2024

Executive Board Attending: Brenna Kucinski, Mike Blaudschun, Don Carlisle, Edie Drinkwater, Admin. Assist.

*Absent:*

Others attending: J. Kondos, L. Sieverts, P. Beffa-Negrini

Brenna called the February 28, 2024 meeting of the Nelson Select Board to order at 3:05 PM.

● Lisa Sieverts and Patsy Beffa-Negrini had arranged a brief presentation from John Kondos of the non-profit, Clean Energy NH. John is one of a group of "Energy Circuit Riders". They are consultants for municipalities and schools who wish to apply for grant funding for clean energy or energy efficient projects such as weatherization. This service is at no cost to the Towns. Kondos is working on a grant presentation that will include multiple towns in the development of the grant application. These grants target smaller communities across the State. This is a multi-phase award that the group has already received approval for Phase #1. This phase includes development of a tool (or Spreadsheet) incorporating data for each Town's proposed projects. The "Spreadsheet" tool is anticipated to be ready in April or May. The project for Nelson would be Solar Battery storage for the Safety Building. This would work in conjunction with the existing generator. The Battery would allow the generator to run less and when it is running it would also be charging the Battery. This project would be proposed for the 2025 fiscal year.

If Phase #2 is award (Funding) and based on the details of the project and their conformity with any specific grant requirements, Towns will be selected, from the pool of entries, to receive funding. Following the presentation, the Board unanimously agreed to be included as one of the communities in the grant application.

Before closing, Kondos briefly noted that "Net Metering" #3 is being considered and holds some promise that it will be more beneficial to project owners.

● On another matter, Solar project "Tax Credit" has now been expanded to include a rebate to tax exempt municipalities for qualifying projects.

Steps include:

- pre-registration once a project is approved.
- Making certain that all project requirements are met.
- Completing the necessary reporting forms once the project is completed.

If approved at Town Meeting, this will be applied for in hopes of receiving some rebate funding to offset the Town Hall Solar project.

● Mike made a motion to approve the minutes for the February 21, 2024 Selectmen's meeting as recorded.

Brenna seconded.

The motion carried 2-0. Don - absent.

● Mike made a motion to approve the manifest for February 28, 2024 as presented.

Brenna seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

- As noted at the last meeting:

*Following multiple notices of Zoning violations, denial of a Building Permit due to a Non-conforming structure, failure to complete the necessary steps to seek compliance through application for variances, and the addition of yet further violations, the Board agreed that final written notice of the required action should be delivered by the Police Chief giving the property owner seven business days to comply before legal action will begin. Brenna made a motion to draft a Letter of "Notice of Pending Action" to The Cermak Family Trust for delivery next week.*

*Mike seconded.*

*The motion carried 2-0. Don - absent.*

Mike made a motion to approve and sign the final Letter of "Notice of Pending Action" for delivery by the Police Chief this week.

Brenna seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

- With a final agreement reached with Public Service of New Hampshire for the 2018 and 2019 tax years, Mike made a motion to approve and sign the settlement documentations.

Brenna seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

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

Brenna seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

Meeting Adjourned 4:30 PM

Next regular meeting March 6, 2024 at 3:00 PM

Minutes for February 28, 2024

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Brenna Kucinski, Chair

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Michael Blaudschun, Selectman

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Don Carlisle, Selectman