

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

August 26, 2020

Executive Board Attending: David Upton, Maury Collins, Gary Robinson, Edie Drinkwater, Admin. Assist.

Special Note: Meeting was held in the Nelson Town Hall with social distancing and masks enforced.

Others attending: J. Walter, R. Pratt, D. Walton, C. Dobriansky, B. Largier

At 3:05 PM David Upton opened the August 26, 2020 meeting of the Nelson Select Board.

● Richard Pratt and Jason Walter came before the Board to discuss a personnel matter within the Fire Department. David quoted RSA 154:A regarding the authority of the Fire Chief in disciplinary matters involving the Fire department members.

David then made a motion to move into Non-Public session in accordance with RSA 91-A:3 II (a&c) Personnel and Harm to Reputation.

Maury seconded.

The motion carried by roll call vote 3-0. Maury – yes, Gary – yes, David – yes

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3:35 PM

● Upon returning to Public session, David made a motion to seal the minutes.

Gary seconded.

The motion carried by roll call vote 3-0. Maury – yes, Gary – yes, David – yes

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● Following a review of a Building Permit Application submitted by P. Brnger, and hearing that the Conservation Commission previously reviewed the plans and had no objections, and further that abutters' concerns had been addressed; David made a motion to approve the Building Permit conditioned upon the new foundation not be used for living space.

Gary seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

● David made a motion to approve the minutes for August 19, 2020 as recorded.

Maury seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

● David made a motion to approve the manifest for August 26, 2020 as presented.

Gary seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

● Following a review of plans submitted by Sandy and Kip Mackenzie, along with their application for a Building Permit to construct a second home on their property, it was noted that there was adequate road frontage and acreage to meet the zoning regulations. David made a motion to approve the Building Permit as presented.

Gary seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

● The Board then reviewed a Building Permit Application from D. Shawver to extend the roof of an existing garage to create a lean to, open storage area. David made a motion to approve the permit conditioned upon the road setback meeting the “street line” setback of 50’ as it appears to be indicated on the submitted plans.

Gary seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

● With concerns being discussed in the community over the lack of a proper display of the American Flag, Gary indicated that he knew of a type of flagpole that self-stores the flag and unfurls with the push of a button. Gary agreed to do more research on the matter.

● David made a motion to approve emergency repairs to the charging system on the 2014 Police Cruiser.

Maury seconded.

The motion carried 3-0. PR # 2008261

● The Town Clerk submitted a Request that the Select Board approve the original date of her Lien execution even though the outside agency was delayed in their processing due to COVID-19 delays. This approval would mean that any property that eventually goes to deed would require a 3 year delay before it could be sold.

Upon reviewing the lien listing and the low risk that deeding will become necessary, David made a motion to approve the Town Clerk’s original, on time, lien execution.

Gary seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

● The Board briefly reviewed their previously approved goal for Reducing Diesel Fuel Consumption by Nelson’s town vehicles.

● David made a motion to waive the requirement of 3 bids for purchases over \$3,000 for two Purchase Requests from the Highway Department. 1. For Gravel Crushing as it is the only company available to do the work in the current year. 2. Liquid Asphalt as the usual companies providing bids have merged with All State Materials.

Gary seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

● David made a motion to approve the Bid from Fuzzy Brothers to complete the gravel processing for 2020.

Gary seconded.

The motion carried 3-0. PR # 2008262

● David made a motion to approve the Bid from All States Material for Liquid Asphalt for the Murdough Hill Road sealing.

Gary seconded.

The motion carried 3-0. PR # 2008263

● With three bids having been submitted, David made a motion to approve the low bid from Arlington Paving for the reclaiming process on Center Pond Road.

Maury seconded.

The motion carried 3-0. PR # 2008264

● David made a motion to approve a Purchase Request from the Fire Department for Rescue Supplies/Equipment.

Gary seconded.

The motion carried 3-0 PR # 2008265

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4:55 PM

● David made a motion to move into Non-Public session in accordance with RSA 91-A:3 II (d) contract considerations.

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5:25 PM

● Upon returning to Public session, David announced that there were two bids for the Solar Project that was just approved at Town Meeting. 1. Revision Energy at \$82,071 for a screw mount system. This bid presented many unknown details that would result in further costs for the project and completion could not be expected in 2020 as would be required of the Warrant Article funding.  
2. South Pack Solar at \$121,000 presented an elevated structure, no substantial unknown elements contained in the bid, and completion guaranteed in 2020.

● *With the Board clearly in agreement during the Non-Public session, Maury had made a motion to approve South Pack Solar.*

*Gary seconded.*

*The motion then carried 3-0 by roll call vote Maury – yes, Gary – yes, David - yes*

● With nothing further, David made a motion to adjourn.

Maury seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

5:35 PM Meeting Adjourned.

For August 26, 2020

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David Upton, Chair

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Maury Collins, Selectman

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Gary Robinson, Selectman