

**Town of Appleton**  
**Select Board Meeting Minutes Approved**  
**01/17/2023**

BOARD MEMBERS	OTHERS PRESENT
Lorie Costigan, Chair	Anita Wellman, absent
Peter Beckett	
Charles Garrigan,	
Marci L. Blakely, absent	Jake Boyington, Road Commissioner,
Scott Esancy	Zoom availability: Yes,

- I. CALL TO ORDER: The Select Board meeting was called to order at 6:30 by Costigan
- II. Edits/Additions: None
- III. Approve Warrants: Costigan motioned to approve warrant Beckett 2nd vote unanimous
  - a. Warrant # 45 Town A/P \$235,057.24
- IV. approve minutes: Costigan motioned to approve minutes of 1/10/2023 Beckett 2<sup>nd</sup>
  - a. vote 3-0-1 Garrigan abstaining
- V. Road Commissioner: ordered 2 more loads of salt
  - a. Discussion on how dirt roads are treated vs tared roads
  - b. Repairs from last rain storm on Town Hill Road ,Sennebec Road and bridge
  - c. Cutting Trees, brush on sides of roads Garrigan noted tree hanging over the road on W Appleton road
  - d. Costigan noted the pot holes on the Appleton Ridge Road discussion of using reclaimed asphalt, cold patch, asphalt patch.
  - e. Project for coming year Boyington went around looking at culverts, paving projects for next year
- VI. Select Board:
  - a. Vacation Request: discussion of Langley the loss of accumulated 28 hours and Anita 30 hours . Costigan motioned to pay Langley for 28 hrs and Anita for 20 hrs Beckett 2<sup>nd</sup> vote unanimous.
  - b. W. Appleton Rd Property: The Realtor has had a verbal cash offer of \$75,000. With asking price of \$130,000. Costigan motioned to reject this offer Beckett 2<sup>nd</sup> vote unanimous
  - c. Revenue and Expense Review: Board and Boyington viewed budget.
  - d. discussion of Townhill rd and Appleton Ridge rd work for next year, discussion of contacting Sewell Engineering.
  - e. Tri County Budget Update: Beckett updated the board on the last Tri County Budget meeting. Beckett noted 28 –30 % increase .
  - f. Ambulance Update: Esancy noted that the last meeting was canceled do to weather. The board reviewed the budget proposals from the previous meeting.
  - g. Fund Balance Policy: Auditor suggest to set up a Fund Balance Policy, discussion of what would be adequate amount for an operating fund balance.
  - h. Costigan noted that there is \$72,000 in capital reserve

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- i. Update Town Office and Fire Station roof bids Tabled for Beckett to contact more contractors.
  - j. Discussion of the town clerk attending a webinar Election class in February . Costigan motioned to approve \$60.00 for a 2 day election class for the clerk to attend Beckett 2<sup>nd</sup> vote unanimous
- VII. Other:
- a. Beckett update Tidewater is not requiring a phone for the insulation of fiber .
  - b. Tidewater will hear about the grants next month ( February)
- VIII. Adjourn: Costigan motioned to adjourn Beckett 2<sup>nd</sup> vote unanimous 7:26 p.m.