

**Town of Appleton**  
**Select Board Meeting Minutes Approved**  
**03/07/2023**

| BOARD MEMBERS            | OTHERS PRESENT                             |
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| Lorie Costigan, Chair    | Anita Wellman,                             |
| Scott Esancy,            | Public: None                               |
| Charles Garrigan, Absent |  |
| Marci L. Blakely,        | Jake Boyington, Road Commissioner , Absent |
|                          | Zoom availability: Yes                     |

- I. CALL TO ORDER: The Select Board meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by Costigan**
- II. Edits/Additions: None**
- III. Motion to approve minutes: Esancy motioned Costigan 2<sup>nd</sup> vote 2-0-1 Blakely Abstaining**
- IV. Approve Warrants: Costigan motioned to approve warrants Blakely 2<sup>nd</sup> vote unanimous**
  - a. Warrant # 56 Town Payroll \$7,759.29
  - b. Warrant # 57 Town A/P \$16,128.45
  - c. Warrant # 4 Eighth Grade Student Activity \$536.00
  - d. Warrant # 18 School Payroll \$75,662.11
  - e. Total Warrants: \$100,085.85
- V. Public Comment: None**
- VI. Road Commissioner: Absent**
- VII. Select Board:**
  - a. Open Pine Grove Tree Removal Bids: 1 Bid, Esancy motioned to approve bid from Bragg's \$34,500 to remove 46 trees Blakely 2<sup>nd</sup> vote unanimous
  - b. Special Town Meeting March 22, 2023: to ask the towns people to use Pine Grove Reserve account to fund the tree removal at Pine Grove Cemetery and Costigan sent both articles to legal for wording
  - c. Motion to Assess Tree Growth Removal Penalty/ DeWalt: Costigan motioned to approve and sign a supplemental tax warrant for tax map 011 lot 004-004 in the amount of \$3,151.58 Esancy 2<sup>nd</sup> vote unanimous.
    - i. Appleton village School Budget meeting at the school Wednesday March 8, 2023 at 6:30pm via zoom for AVS 23-24 budget
    - ii. March 9, Thursday Budget Committee will be meeting with the Town
  - d. Appleton Village School Budget meeting at the school Wednesday March 8, 2023 6:30 via zoom to review 23-24 AVS budget, budget meeting with the town is Thursday March 9 2023
  - e. 2024 Budget discussion and Voted:
    - i. Ambulance will be funded with ARPA funds
    - ii. FEMA will fund Road Improvements
    - iii. Costigan motioned to approve General Government budget \$306,674 Esancy 2<sup>nd</sup> vote unanimous

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- iv. Costigan motion to approve Protection & Safety budget \$299,936 Blakely 2<sup>nd</sup> vote unanimous
  - v. Costigan motion to approve Highway & Bridges budget \$621,828 Blakely 2<sup>nd</sup> vote unanimous
  - vi. Costigan motion to approve Sanitation budget \$45,300 Blakely 2<sup>nd</sup> vote unanimous
  - vii. Costigan motioned to approve Community budget \$35,370 Esancy 2<sup>nd</sup> vote unanimous
  - viii. Costigan motioned to approve Provider Agencies budget \$7,399 Esancy 2<sup>nd</sup> vote unanimous
  - ix. Blakely motioned to increase 2% discount for tax 23-24 to \$44,000 and Property tax surplus at \$300,000 Esancy 2<sup>nd</sup> vote unanimous
  - f. 2024 Nomination Papers: Costigan noted that nomination papers are ready return date is April 17, 2023 by 3:00 pm
  - g. Costigan motioned to approve and sign warrant for Special Town Meeting March 22, 2023 7:00 pm at the Appleton Fire Department Esancy 2<sup>nd</sup> vote unanimous
- VIII. **Other:**
- a. Esancy noted that several mail boxes were damaged in the last storm , the letter from MMA the town is not responsible for damage due to normal snow removal
  - b. Costigan noted that there is \$11,000 remaining in the salt the sand budget is currently over extended by \$1,000.00
  - c. Esancy noted that the Ambulance Committee will be meeting with all three towns to answer questions from all residents, meeting will be held at one of the schools
- IX. **Adjourn:** Blakely motioned to adjourn Esancy 2<sup>nd</sup> vote unanimous