

Five Town Selectboard Meeting Minutes

January 27th 4:30

Location: Town of Langdon Municipal Building - Langdon, NH.

Attendees: Devin Gallagher, Nate Chaffee, Lou Beam, Joe Levesque, Joel McCarty, Kathi Bradt, Jeff Lessells, Jeremy Wood, Nancy Houghton, Peggy Pschirrer, Matt Saxton, Cheryl Mayberry.

Meeting called to order at 4:32pm.

Approval of five town meeting minutes from October 28th, 2022: motion to accept the minutes made by Joe, second by Mr. Wood.

Update to agenda:

Mr. Beam started the meeting with an update to the agenda – it was noted that guest Leroy Watson would not be in attendance.

Class VI Roads:

Moved to Mr. Lessells to discuss VI roads on Charlestown, Acworth, Unity boarder: Mr. Lessells handed out maps to aid in discussion.

There is a subdivision in Acworth that predates zoning regulations and is only accessible through Charlestown via a class VI road. It was noted that a resident of Acworth (presumably) was maintaining the class VI road. It was noted that a Town can plow a class VI road only, without it reverting back to class V.

There was a discussion on correcting boundaries between Unity, Charlestown and Acworth and affected conservation land.

Mr. Lessells asked Mrs. Bradt to find out who from Acworth was maintaining the road so that resident and the Charlestown selectboard can come to an agreement and understanding of maintenance.

Fall Mountain Regional Fuel Bid:

It was noted by Mr. Beam that in the 80's & 90's The five towns would piggyback with the SAU for bulk purchase of fuel to reduce costs with bulk purchasing. Lou had already engaged with the SUA business manager and the SAU was agreeable to look at the option again.

The goal would be for fixed pricing through a bid process for large tank deliveries (2-3K gallons) as well as small deliveries. Lou will work with each town to determine fuel location, storage quantity, annual usage and fuel type. The bid specification would include service / maintenance contract as well.

The five towns thanked Mr. Beam for spearheading this potential cost saving project.

Open items:

Community Power: a discussion took place on community power and private broker options. Peg mentioned Walpole's Power Committee is evaluating private distribution options through CPCNH.

Brief discussion of the deliberative session, school board & finance committee and the challenges of the articles of agreement.

Next meeting scheduled for Friday April 21st in Walpole.

Meeting adjourned at 5:49.