

**TOWN OF LEMPSTER  
BOARD OF  
SELECTMEN  
Approved Meeting Minutes  
(as amended)  
December 10, 2024**

**Board Present:** Mark Lightner, Everett Thurber and Phil Tirrell

Administrative Assistant Robin Cantara

**Others Present:** Bob Porter, Jim Cheever, David Richards, Jon Thomas, Mindy Chadwick, Jennifer Gildner-Blinn and Ted Kraus.

Mark called the meeting to order at 6:27 P.M.

At 6:28 P.M. Mark moves to enter Non-public session under RSA 91-A:3, II (c) reputation, seconded by Phil; all in favor.

At 6:59 P.M. Mark moves, seconded by Phil to end the non-public session and return to the public meeting; all in favor.

Phil makes a motion to seal the minutes of the non-public meeting, seconded by Everett; all in favor.

The Board reviewed and approved the payroll and accounts payable manifest.

Approve/Amend Minutes of the Selectmen's Meeting held on November 26, 2024.

Everett moves to accept the minutes as printed, seconded by Phil; all in favor.

### **Old Business**

#### **Highway Department:**

Mark shared verbal updates from the highway department on the following items:

Culverts – The culverts are on hold until the spring of 2025.

Mountain Road Bridge – The guardrails are scheduled for Friday December 13, 2024.

Mountain Road will be closed for the duration of the install on December 13<sup>th</sup>.

Mark stated the Highway Department has done a commendable job on the roads.

### **Department Reports**

#### **Fire/Rescue Department:**

Chief Thomas updated the Board of the department's activities.

Mark asked David how the integration for the new software was going; David's side is all set he is waiting on the supplier.

Jon will have 2024 points spreadsheet to Robin tonight for payroll.

The *unused* phone line *located above the parking lot* at the Fire Department has been removed by Consolidated Communications; Mindy-Jo stopped a worker to make that happen.

**New Business:** None

**Administrative and Correspondence**

Tax Warrant – Signed by the Board.

Budget Review – 87.8% Overall

NRRA Contract- Signed by Mark

Intent to Cut Supplemental - Signed by the Board.

Christmas Eve – No Selectmen’s meeting, next regular meeting will be January 14, 2025.

Mark announced the 2024 Tax Rate: \$28.86, municipal portion is reduced with the use of Fund Balance, the county had a modest increase and the school portions increased 2-3%. (Actual increase 12%)

**Public Participation**

None

There being no further business, Everett moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:24 PM, seconded by Phil; all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Robin Cantara  
Administrative Assistant