

JOHNSON SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES
JOHNSON MUNICIPAL BUILDING
MONDAY, MARCH 8, 2023

Present: Selectboard members: Beth Foy, Duncan Hastings, Eben Patch, Shayne Spence, Mark Woodward
Others: Brian Story, Rosemary Audibert, Eric Osgood

Note: All votes taken are unanimous unless otherwise noted.

1. Call to Order

Beth called the meeting to order at 6:34.

2. Additions or Adjustments to the Agenda

It was agreed to add discussion about reviewing invoices and appointment of an assessor liaison.

3. Appointment of Municipal Positions

Duncan moved to nominate Beth to chair the meeting until a chair is elected, Mark seconded and the motion was passed 3-0.

Shayne, as a justice of the peace, swore in Rosemary. Rosemary swore in newly elected selectboard members Eben and Shayne.

Rosemary called for nominations for board chair. Eben nominated Beth Foy. Duncan seconded. **Beth Foy was elected chair.**

Beth asked for nominations for vice chair. Duncan nominated Eben Patch. **Eben Patch was elected vice chair.** (Eben abstained from the vote.)

The board discussed which positions need to be appointed and what is known about who wishes to be reappointed.

Shayne verbally submitted his resignation from the Planning Commission. **Duncan moved to accept Shayne Spence's resignation from the Planning Commission with regret and send him thank you letter and the motion was seconded and passed with Shayne abstaining.**

The board agreed to continue meeting on first and third Mondays at 6:30 p.m.

Eben moved to make the following appointments:

Agent to Convey Real Estate: Selectboard
Highway Commissioner: Eben Patch
Public Works Supervisor: Jason Whitehill
Animal Control Officers: BJ Putvain, Dean Locke
Fence Viewers: Nat Kinney, Mike Dunham, Eric Osgood
Official Weigher: Mike Patch
Tree Warden: Noel Dodge
Deputy Health Officers: Brian Story, BJ Putvain, Dean Locke
Vermont Emergency Management Director: Eben Patch
Energy Coordinator: Mark Woodward
Town Service Officer: Shayne Spence
Inspector of Lumber, Wood & Shingles: Dick Simays

Recreation Committee: Jasmine Yuris, Katie Orost, Allen Audette, Kim Goodell, Kyle Senesac, Lisa Crews, Casie Adams

Skate Park Committee: Casey Romero, Howard Romero, Greg Fatigate, George Swanson, Rick Aupperlee, James Whitehill

Conservation Commission: Lois Frey, Dean Locke, Sue Lovering, Noel Dodge, Peter Hammond, Denise Ashman, Jackie Stanton, Jared Jasinski, Aurora River

Tree Board: Sue Lovering, Rob Maynard, Noel Dodge, Jacob Vandorn, Brian Vandorn, Lauren Huang-Finkleman

Fire Warden: Corey Davis

Town Historian: Linda Jones

Historical Society: Linda Jones, Lois Frey, Richard Simays, Alice Whiting, Dennis Richards, Kelly Vandorn, Mary Jean Smith, Leslie Martin

Development Review Board: Will Angier, Jim MacDowell, David Butler, David Williams, alternates Shayne Spence and Kim Dunkley

Beautification Committee: Kyle Nuse, Blair Watson, Lauren Philie, Johna Keefe

Tuesday Night Live Committee: Howard Romero, Tim Mikovitz, Abby Gladstone-Strobel, Sophia Berard, Joie Lehouillier, Tom Moog

Community Oven Committee: Jasmine Yuris, Ray Kania, Luke Gellatly, Sophia Berard, Charlotte Roozkrans, Trent McCarver, Mark Woodward, Jennifer Burton

Racial Justice and Social Equity Committee: Sophia Berard, Jeff Bickford, Offie Wortham, Shayne Spence, Jackie Stanton, Johna Keefe

Official Pound: Lamoille Kennels

Mark seconded.

Brian will post the following vacancies: auditor, Green Up Day coordinator, two Planning Commission positions (a 3 year term and a term expiring March 2024), and a Development Review Board position. He will check to confirm whether there is any vacancy on the Tree Board, the Historical Society Board or the Beautification Committee. Animal control, deputy health officer and first constable positions will not be posted. Crystal Earle will be invited to interview with the board for a position as animal control officer. Brian will bring the board a road commissioner job description.

The motion was passed.

4. *Selectboard Issues/Concerns*

Beth read a card to the board from Eric Osgood. He thanked the board for all the support over the years and for his retirement gathering. If he can ever be of service all the board has to do is ask. The board thanked Eric for his years of service.

5. *Discussion on Reviewing Invoices and Orders*

Eben said right now he still sees value in reviewing invoices and orders. But he suggests that rather than reading each one aloud, board members just look at them and ask questions if they have any. The board agreed to that.

6. *Assessor Liaison Appointment*

Eben moved to appoint Duncan as assessor liaison, Mark seconded and the motion was passed with Duncan abstaining.

7. *Adjourn*

The meeting was adjourned at 7:38.

Minutes submitted by Donna Griffiths