

**Minutes for Waterboro Board of Selectmen Meeting
April 11, 2023, at Waterboro Town Hall
6:00 p.m. Special Meeting**

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Chairman Abbott started the meeting at 6:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Select Board Attendance: Dennis Abbott, Dwayne Woodsome, David Chauvette, and Gary Fecteau. Michael Provencher was absent.

Other Attendees: Matt Bors, John Burrows, David Lowe, and Laura Lowe.

2. PUBLIC HEARINGS: - none.

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS: - none.

4. ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO AGENDA: none.

5. APPOINTMENT: none.

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS: none.

7. CORRESPONDENCE: none.

8. REPORTS & STAFF INITIATIVES: none.

9. NEW BUSINESS: none.

10. OLD BUSINESS:

a. Discuss/vote on FY 2024 Budget/Warrant:

Chairman Abbott read the warrant in total. The elected official seats available are: two Selectmen with a three year term, one Selectman with a term to expire June 2024, one RSU#57 Board of Directors with a three year term, one Water District with a three year term, and six Charter Commission Members with a term to expire thirty days after submitting their final report. He stated that Friday the 14th by the close of business is the last day for write-in candidates to return their papers. Article 3 is regarding a new Transfer Station Roll Off Truck. The Town currently has one truck, however, due to the volume and need for repairs, a second truck would ensure the efficient and continued operation of hauling waste to ecomaine. Article 4 is regarding the planning costs for a Public Works Facility. This building would help us be prepared to assume plowing of our roads as the cost of contracting plowing has gone up from FY 23 to 24 approximately \$168,000. Article 5 is the question that was put on the ballot by petition regarding Medical Marijuana Retail Businesses to operate under Maine Medical Use of Marijuana Act, 22 MRSA Chapter

558C. Article 6 is regarding expanding broadband internet to un-served areas of Waterboro. The money for this is Not raised by taxation but authorizes the I.T. Manager to use franchise fees up to \$25,000 for. Articles 7 - 11, 15 & 17 is to appropriate the money needed to run the Departments within the Town. Articles 12 – 14 are to appropriate the Capital Improvement Projects needed within the Town. Article 16 is to appropriate the money needed for the contract deputies. The Select Board had this cost separated out to see if the Town was for, or against us funding the Contract Deputies. Articles 18-26 are legal ease articles that we have to put in every year according to our Charter. The Board was in agreement to accept the warrant as presented except for Article 16. Selectman Chauvette would like the wording, “Board of Selectmen: Recommend Ought to Pass” to be changed to: “By Majority Board of Selectmen: Recommend Ought to Pass “. This is because he abstained from the vote as he is a York County Deputy.

Vote: Dwayne Woodsome made a motion to amend Article 16 to add By Majority preceding Board of Selectmen: Ought to Pass. David Chauvette seconded the motion. The motion passed 4 – 0.

Vote: Dwayne Woodsome made a motion to accept the warrant as presented with the requested amendment for Article 16. Gary Fecteau seconded the motion. The motion passed 4 – 0.

b. Set Public Hearing date for FY 2024 Budget

Vote: Dwayne Woodsome made a motion to set the public hearing date for the FY 2024 Budget for May 2, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. Gary Fecteau seconded the motion. The motion passed 4 -0

11. **OTHER:** none.

12. **PENDING DECISIONS:** none.

13. **WEEK’S ACTION LIST:** none.

14. **DISCUSSION OF AGENDA ITEMS:** none.

15. **ITEMS NEEDING SIGNATURE:**

a. FY 2024 Municipal Warrant

The Board signed the amended warrant (article 16).

16. **ADJOURN:**

Dwayne Woodsome made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:32 p.m. David Chauvette seconded the motion. The motion passed 4 – 0.