

MONKTON SELECTBOARD SPECIAL
MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, December 19, 2024
(Approved 1/14/25)

The meeting was called to order by S. Pilcher at 7:03 p.m.

Members in attendance: Stephen Pilcher (chair), Walter Crandall, Marikate Kelley, John McNerney

Members absent: Joe Szarejko

Others in attendance: Stan Wilbur (town administrator), Jessica Demeritt (recording secretary), Debra Sprague

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

S. Pilcher noted that the construction of the hardcourt started today. Construction has also begun on the South Wing.

S. Pilcher announced that he has decided to step off the Selectboard. He noted that he needs to vacate his seat before January 28, 2024 in order for it to show as up for vote on Town Meeting Day.

J. McNerney noted that he will not be running for the Selectboard again.

M. Kelley noted that she will not be running for the Selectboard again.

REGULAR BUSINESS:

APPROVE MINUTES

J. McNerney moved to approve the minutes of December 10, 2024 as amended. M. Kelley seconded. The vote passed 4-0-0.

REVIEW AND APPROVE CHECK WARRANTS

W. Crandall moved to approve AP 41213 in the amount of \$29,597.00. J. McNerney seconded. The vote passed 4-0-0.

W. Crandall moved to approve PR 41216 in the amount of \$14,095.39. J. McNerney seconded. The vote passed 4-0-0.

W. Crandall moved to approve AP 41212 in the amount of \$30,398.58. J. McNerney seconded. M. Kelley asked about title insurance for the Town Forest. S. Pilcher noted that it would be funded from the Town Forest fund. **The vote passed 4-0-0.**

W. Crandall moved to approve AP 41219 in the amount of \$14,955.55. J. McNerney seconded. The vote passed 4-0-0.

REVIEW AND APPROVE OVERWEIGHT PERMITS, ETC

The following request was reviewed and approved:

Spafford and Sons Water Wells

FACILITY USE REQUEST

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W. Crandall noted that there was one for January.

PUBLIC COMMENT

none

NEW BUSINESS:

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT UPDATE

There was discussion about FEMA projects and a guardrail on Silver Street. W. Crandall noted that he ordered a lock for the gate at the highway department/recycling center.

PERSONNEL POLICY

There was discussion about changes to the policy. **J. McNerney moved to approve the Personnel Policy as amended. W. Crandall seconded. The vote passed 4-0-0.**

J. McNerney moved to change the vacation rollover policy to roll over up to 80 hours. M. Kelley seconded. The vote passed 4-0-0.

M. Kelley moved to vacate the adoption of the personnel policy. J. McNerney seconded. The vote passed 4-0-0.

TOWN PLAN

S. Pilcher noted that the clean copy looked good, with an edit to a map.

M. Kelley moved to adopt the Town Plan as presented in the Selectboard hearing. W. Crandall seconded. The vote passed 4-0-0.

SCHEDULING FOR THROWING UP TOWN HIGHWAY 13

S. Pilcher noted the requirements for timing and a hearing regarding throwing up a town highway. He suggested the topic would be taken up at another meeting.

2025 MUNICIPAL BUDGET

S. Pilcher noted that the highway budget numbers were not yet available. Many of the line items were discussed.

OLD BUSINESS

OLD AIRPORT ROAD

no action taken

TOWN RIGHT OF WAY

no action taken

OTHER BUSINESS

none

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EXECUTIVE SESSION:

The next meeting will be Tuesday, January 14, at 7 p.m.

M. Kelley moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:47 p.m. The vote passed 4-0-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Jessica Demeritt