TOWN OF ORANGE

SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES

December 28, 2023

Present:

Eric Holmgren, Kevin Wilson, Sheila Stone

Town Clerk Angela Eastman, Assistant Clerk Diane Waters

Guests:

Tim Stone, Larry Eastman, Gary Eggleston, Steve Simpson, Ginny Raboin, Cole Contois, Josh Woodworth

- 1. <u>Call Meeting to Order</u>: Chair Holmgren called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
- 2. <u>Approve Agenda</u>: Holmgren requested adding Executive Session. Under public comment, Ginny Raboin expressed her interest in the Town Clerk position.

Additional Agenda Item:

On a motion by Holmgren, seconded by Wilson, the board voted unanimously to go into executive session to discuss confidential attorney-client communications made for the purpose of providing professional legal services to the body per 1 VSA §313(a)(1). On a motion by Holmgren, seconded by Wilson, the board voted unanimously to come out of executive session.

- 3. <u>Discuss/Consider Appointment of Health Officer</u>: Holmgren stated there is another interested party for this position. On a motion by Holmgren, seconded by Wilson, the board voted unanimously to table this appointment.
- 4. <u>Discuss/Consider Appointment of Town Clerk and Town Treasurer</u>: Holmgren stated there will be one person for both positions, and that there is another interested party for the position. On a motion by Holmgren, seconded by Wilson, the board voted unanimously to go into executive session per 1 VSA §313(a)(3) to discuss the appointment or employment or evaluation of a public officer or employee. On a motion by Holmgren, seconded by Wilson, the board voted unanimously to come out of executive session. On a motion by Holmgren, seconded by Wilson, the board voted unanimously to appoint Ginny Raboin as Town Clerk for the one-year term of December 27, 2023 December 27, 2024.
- 5. <u>Discuss Clement Road</u>: Wilson stated he looked at the road and estimates it would cost \$23,000 in materials to bring the road up to standards. The board agreed to get a plan together to see if its feasible.
 - Wilson also stated that some residents have complained about the poor access to the Town forest.
- 6. <u>Approve Previous Minutes</u>: On a motion by Holmgren, seconded by Wilson, the board voted unanimously to accept all the minutes except the December 21, 2023 minutes. Minutes accepted: November 13, 2023, November 16, 2023, November 29, 2023, December 1, 2023, and December 4, 2023.

Additional Action to Item #4:

On a motion by Holmgren, seconded by Wilson, the board voted unanimously to appoint Ginny Raboin as Town Treasurer for the one-year term of December 27, 2003 – December 27, 2024.

- 7. <u>Discuss/Consider Approval of Warrants Payroll and Accounts Payable</u>: On a motion by Holmgren, seconded by Stone, the board voted unanimously approve the Accounts Payable Warrant. On a motion by Holmgren, seconded by Stone, the board voted unanimously to approve the Payroll Warrant.
- 8. <u>Discuss the 2024 Budget</u>: Budget figures were reviewed.
- 9. <u>Adjourn</u>: On a motion by Holmgren, seconded by Wilson, the board voted unanimously to adjourn at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Waters, Assistant Town Clerk