

Town of Trenton  
Board of Selectmen  
Minutes of August 9, 2022

- I. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm. Present: Fred Ehrlenbach, John Bennett, Charles Farley, Jr., Danielle Cole, and Carol Walsh. Daniel Monahan was excused. In attendance were Jessica Thurston, Mike Gilmartin, Rachel Nobel, Chip Roskum, Steve Heckman, Brant Viner, Kristen Farley, Christina Heiniger, John Whetstone, and Susan Starr. No one attended virtually.
- II. Visitors to be Heard: None.
- III. Acceptance of Agenda: Ehrlenbach added a bid received for paving on Goose Cove Road.
- IV. Approval of Minutes of July 26, 2022: Bennett motioned to approve; Farley seconded. Vote: 4 Yes.
- V. Old Business:
  - a. Fire Department: Heckman stated the department had been busy, with eight calls so far this month. July set a record. The ladder truck is out of commission, needing new parts. Heckman is working on recruitment and retention ideas.
  - b. Parks and Recreation: Roskum discussed the possibility of creating a "Trenton Day" as a festive day in the community. He proposed discussing this with Trenton businesses. Sports for youth soccer will begin in September. He would like to use the school property. He will create a waiver for parents, for injuries. He is also looking into insurance for students.
  - c. Road Safety Committee: Nobel briefed the Board on the last meeting on July 28th, at which a representative from Kennebunk spoke about that town's "Slow Down" sign program. Kennebunk obtained a grant for electronic, solar-powered signs that have catchy phrases.
- VI. New Business:
  - a. Purchase of Certificates of Deposit. The Town's account at the First Bank will increase interest earned to .5%. Ehrlenbach has requested details on Certificates of Deposit. He may propose investing in both 90-day and 180-day CDs for a greater yield for the Town.
- VII. Other Business: Paving Bid: One bid was received. It came from Northeast Paving and proposed \$22,011 for grinding and paving of multiple areas on Industrial Way, and Goose Cove Road. Bennett motioned to accept the Northeast Paving bid. Cole seconded. Vote: 4 Yes.  
Maine Municipal Association Vote: The Board declined to cast a vote.

Farley stated that the solar project for the school will not be completed this year. Versant lost the solar company's check and application. They also need a 400-amp combined panel and meter, which cannot be made available until February 2023. The project has been postponed until June 2023. By waiting to 2023, the investor's yield will be greater; Farley was asked to seek a discount or renegotiated price. Ehrlenbach will review the contract to determine if it is still valid.

VIII. Approval of AP and Payroll: Bennett motioned to approve; Farley seconded. Vote: 4 Yes.

IX. Adjournment: Bennett motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:32 pm; Farley seconded. Vote: 4 Yes.