

**Minutes of a
Special Selectboard Meeting
in person & via Zoom
August 6, 2024**

Present: Hussain Hamdan, Robert MacLean – Selectboard
Tinky Weisblat, Gal Friday; Virginia Gabert, Treasurer and Financial Administrator (via Zoom)
Gary Mitchell and Chris Tirone

The meeting was called to order at 7 p.m. Minutes from a previous meeting were signed. Then:

1. **The main order of business was opening fuel bids.** The group began with diesel. Dead River offered a floating price of \$2.8563 per gallon for winter blend and \$2.8413 for summer blend on August 6. Its fixed rate for the date was winter, \$2.9659 per gallon and summer, \$2.9566.

Mirabito offered a fluctuating rate of \$3.0697 per gallon on the previous day for winter blend and \$2.7735 for summer. Its fixed rate was \$3.1706 for winter and \$3.0626 for summer.

Bob moved to award the contract for a fixed price to the lower bidder, Dead River. Hussain seconded, and both voted in favor. Virginia asked Tinky to confirm before awarding the contract that the next day's prices would be comparable.

For propane, Mirabito proposed a fluctuating price of \$.9908 per gallon above Selkirk (\$1.3908 for the previous day) and \$1.74 for a fixed price.

Superior Plus offered a fixed price only of \$1.689 per gallon.

Dead River offered a floating price of \$1.4207 for that day and a fixed rate of \$1.5807 for that day. It asked the town in this and the other bid to specify gallons.

The group asked Tinky to specify 1200 gallons or less, noting that any additional amount would need to be approved by the town. Virginia asked Tinky to find out whether the town would be liable for the whole amount if it didn't use it. Bob moved to award the contract to Dead River, Hussain seconded the motion, and both voted in favor.

2. **The other topic was what to do with Hawley's opioid funds.** The town could either accept them and then use them as it wished (e.g., share with FRCOG or the school), or it could sign them over to another town such as Charlemont or Colrain. Hussain moved that the funds go to Charlemont, Bob seconded the motion, and both voted in favor.

There being no other business, the meeting adjourned at 7:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Tinky Weisblat, Gal Friday

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Hussain Hamdan

Robert MacLean