

TOWN OF UNITY

Select Board Minutes 13 Center Rd, Unit #3 January 2, 2024
Unity, NH 03603

Attendees: Gary Ross, Garry Bator, William "Bill" Schroeter, Samantha Graham, Angela Huertas, Judy Huff, John Callum, Kelly Simpson, Sarah Finney, Gordon Brann, Rhonda King, Scott Powers, Randy Phenicie, Bruce Howard, John Mahan, Nancy Zekos

4:03 – Garry called the meeting to order.

4:04 – Gary made a motion to sign the minutes of 12/18. Bill 2nd. All in favor.

4:05 – The board signed vouchers.

4:06 – Garry made a motion to encumber \$7,395 for the electrician. Bill 2nd. All in favor.

4:07 – Garry made a motion to encumber \$51,160.65 for the backhoe payoff. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:08 – Kelly discussed the conditions of Carroll Brook Rd, the mud ruts. She asked for gravel or fill, not stone, to fix it. She says no one can leave that road, and that the road really should be crowned. She also followed up on her previous discussion on warrants.

4:10 – Kelly went on to ask about a camper in town using a woodstove. Garry informed her that it's a complicated legal issue that the Town has been advised to leave alone. Nancy asked a follow up question about the other residents in town needing to follow the same precedent. Mr. Powers asked who then would have authority over it. The answer is the state, which the Town has already tried to pursue to no avail. Powers also asked if townspeople should push their representatives. Garry agreed they certainly have the right to attempt that.

4:19 – Powers concurred with Kelly on the issue of the roads. Garry assured him the roads will be tended to, typically in order of most populated.

4:23 – Kelly continued to ask about taxpayer dollars going to the attorney regarding his recent legal issue.

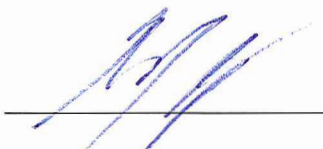
4:24 – Kelly informed the room that David Lund is willing to lend a camera to record the town meetings, for all the townspeople to see.


4:25 - John Mahan and the board discussed building on Neal Mine Rd.


4:29 – John Callum and Bill discussed the next planning board meeting. It is tonight at 7 at the school.

4:30 – Garry gave Gordon an update on the library budget.

4:31 – Bill made a motion to adjourn. Gary 2nd. All in favor.


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Select Board Minutes 13 Center Rd, Unit #3 January 16, 2024
Unity, NH 03603

Attendees: Gary Ross, Garry Bator, William "Bill" Schroeter, Samantha Graham, Angela Huertas, Sarah Finney, Gordon Brann, Tim Davis, Nancy Zekos, Kelly Simpson, John Callum

4:00 – Garry called the meeting to order.

4:01 – Gary made a motion to accept the minutes of 1/2/24. Bill 2nd. All in favor.

4:02 – Garry made a motion to accept the LaPlante timber intent. Bill 2nd. All in favor.

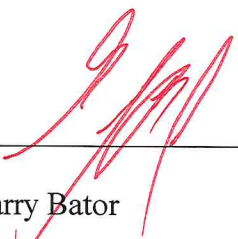
4:03 – Garry made a motion to accept the MacGuire timber intent. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:04 – Garry made a motion to accept the Cote timber intent. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

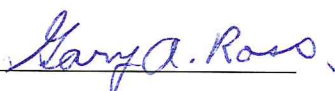
4:05 – Tim gave an update about internal voting the FD held. Wednesdays around 6 is a good time for them to do oaths, etc. He also discussed the dispatch company and prices.

4:08 – Garry gave an update on 2021 FEMA; still waiting on the last few checks to come in, everything has been approved on the FEMA and state side. On the 2023 FEMA, it is still opening and filing, nothing has reached the approval stage yet.


4:09 – Garry made a motion to adjourn. Gary 2nd. All in favor.



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Select Board Minutes 13 Center Rd, Unit #3 February 5, 2024
Unity, NH 03603

Attendees: Gary Ross, Garry Bator, William "Bill" Schroeter, Samantha Graham, Harold Booth, Angela Huertas, Sarah Finney, Nancy Zekos, Tim Davis, Kelly Simpson, Ramona Labrie

3:58 – Garry called the meeting to order.

3:59 – Gary made a motion to accept the 1/16 minutes. Bill 2nd. All in favor.

4:00 – Annual post-closure agreement needs to go to Stantec.

4:00 – Garry made a motion to add \$288 for pest removal services plus \$136 for labor for the town hall. Bill 2nd. All in favor.

4:01 – Garry read a grant for \$7500 for local hazard mitigations. The Select Board, in a majority vote, accepted the terms of the Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities, BRIC's presented in the amount of \$7,500.00 for updating the local hazard mitigation plan. Furthermore, the Board acknowledges that the total cost of this project will be \$10,000.00, in which the town will be responsible for a 25% match (\$2,500.00). Garry made the motion. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:04 – Garry read an abatement recommendation from Avitar for Steven and Stephanie Viston. Gary made a motion to grant the abatement in the amount of \$4708. Bill 2nd. All in favor.

4:06 – Gary made a motion to hire the Hampshire Fire Protection company. Bill 2nd. All in favor.

4:07 – Bill made a motion to approve Richard Tatum's pistol permit. Garry 2nd. All in favor.

4:08 – Gary made a motion to approve Chrisitan Boles' pistol permit. Garry 2nd. All in favor.

4:08 – Gary made a motion to approve the tax assessment of Jeremy Turner. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:10 – Gary made a motion to approve the intent to cut for Heidi Hathaway. Bill 2nd. All in favor.

4:11 – Gary read a letter to Sally to pay \$92.50 to Avitar. Bill made a motion to sign. Gary 2nd. All in favor.


4:12 – Discussion on revaluation letters, missing mail.

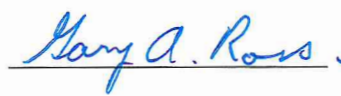
4:14 – Kelly asked if people are required to allow Avitar on their property. The answer is no, but it is smarter to do so. Avitar will make assumptions based on a drive-by of your property if they're not allowed to investigate. Kelly's concern is that if a large amount of property owners refuse, the valuation will be wrong by a large, unknown degree, and there is no recourse or repercussions. People may also call Avitar if they have questions.

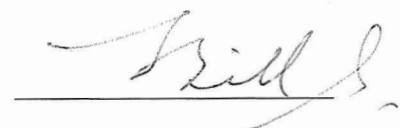
4:19 – Sarah informed Kelly about Avitar's list and charts of valuations and adjustment values.

4:21 – Garry gave an update on FEMA; 2023 has opened up to answer questions and upload. 2021 is still paying out.

4:22 – Garry made a motion to move 2/19 meeting to 2/20 to accommodate President's Day. Gary 2nd. All in favor.


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4:23 – The next safety meeting is March 11 at 4pm. They are planned to continue to be the 2nd Monday of every 3rd month at 4pm.

4:26 – Harold asked about chains for the sander, should be here tomorrow. Nothing else to report.

4:26 – Nancy told Harold his team did a great job on Center Rd.

4:27 – Tim had nothing to report.

4:27 – Ramona thanked the ballot clerks for being present at the election and for helping, working hard.


4:28 – Angela asked about the town auction properties. Garry let her know there is still a legal tangle with the deeds.

4:29 – Kelly asked about having department heads present at the meetings. If they don't have anything to report, they're not required to attend. She also asked about budget preparations; the board informed her she just missed the reading of the budget and articles.

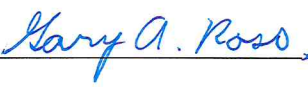
4:31 – Sarah asked about her 91A request for her building permit from 2010. Some records in the attic are in disarray and it may take longer to find some than others. She also asked about the 12/11 minutes regarding the wording of the minutes and changes made during proofreading. Sarah went on to ask about a police report where Garry is quoted saying Slack Rd cost "Over \$100,000 to maintain," and about how roads must be built back in kind or FEMA will not pay the town.

4:39 – Sarah asked about Mica Mine Rd being a public road, and why a person may not walk on it. Discussion was ended.

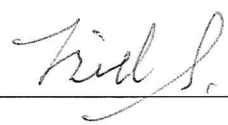
4:41 – Gary made a motion to adjourn. Bill 2nd. All in favor.



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4:00 – Garry called the meeting to order.

4:01 – Bill made a motion to accept the 2/5 meeting minutes. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:01 – Bill made a motion to accept the 2/5 special meeting minutes. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:02 – Bill made a motion to accept the 2/15 special meeting minutes. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:02 – Bill made a motion to accept the library meeting with the selectboard minutes. Gary 2nd. All in favor. Discussion followed.

4:06 – Garry read an estimate from electrician Elliot Brown for work done at town hall for \$997.88. Gary made a motion to approve. Bill 2nd. All in favor.

4:07 – Garry read the UVLSRPC agreement for 2024 household hazardous waste collection. Bill made a motion to approve. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:09 – Garry read an estimate for shelving in the garage for \$2240. Discussion followed, and Harold agreed to shop around for equivalent shelving at a lower price.

4:12 – Garry read an intent to cut on Candy Cane Ln. Discussion followed. The town does not have jurisdiction over private roads. Seeking legal counsel as well as advice from the town forester will follow.

4:14 – Garry read an intent to cut on 2nd NH Tpke. Bill made a motion to approve. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:15 – Nancy asked about the conservation commission receiving intents to cut, and about wetlands being cut.

4:26 – Garry read a current use application on 2nd NH Tpke. Gary made a motion to accept. Bill 2nd. All in favor.

4:31 – Garry made a motion to deny the tax credit on Unity Springs Rd. Bill 2nd. All in favor.

4:32 – Gary made a motion to approve the tax credit on Garry Bator's house for solar panels. Bill 2nd. All in favor.

4:34 – Garry corrected himself from last meeting. There were no letters sent out regarding revaluation. Revaluation information is available on the town website and Facebook. Discussion on revaluation followed.

4:44 – Bob asked about tiny homes. The maximum sq ft for a tiny home is 500, and the minimum sq ft in Unity is 750. The policies and ordinances are available on the town website. Bob continued with a discussion regarding the building application checklist recently put into place.



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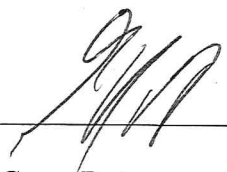
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5:08 – Kelly asked about the supervisors of the checklist. The state oversees elected officials. Kelly also asked about copy fees. Copy fees are part of the RSA and set throughout the state. Kelly also brought up that the checklist she received is incorrect.

5:12 – Sarah introduced her recording of the meeting, and her posting it to the NCTV. She also mentioned a bill currently in the house that may require all selectboards to record their meetings.

5:16 – Bruce asked if there is a Meet The Candidates this year. There is not because there are no new prospectives that have not run before.

5:18 – Gary made a motion to adjourn. Bill 2nd. All in favor.



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Select Board Minutes 13 Center Rd, Unit #3 March 4, 2024
Unity, NH 03603

Attendees: Gary Ross, Garry Bator, William "Bill" Schroeter, Samantha Graham, Harold Booth, Rhonda King, Cathy Lombardo, Kevin Brenker, Ramona LaBrie, Sally Teague, Paul Moeller, Angela Huertas, Nancy Zekos, Gordon Brann, Kelly Simpson, Sarah Finney, Greg Millette, Bruce Howard, Scott Powers

4:59 – Garry called the meeting to order.

5:00 – Gary made a motion to accept the minutes from 2/20/24. Bill 2nd. All in favor.

5:01 – Garry read an invoice from Paul Moeller for maintenance work. Bill made a motion to accept. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

5:02 – Garry read an estimate for an air exchanger for the garage. The board will think about it and reconvene at the next meeting.

5:06 – Garry made a motion to renew the membership with the NH Road Agent Association for \$30/year. Bill 2nd. All in favor.

5:07 – Garry read a letter from Casella from Vanessa informing the town that they are no longer taking loose paper.

5:08 – Cathy asked a question on behalf of a caller last week if the transfer station is going to be doing shredding. They are not, but the Town is open to the idea of a shredding day.

5:10 – Garry shared a tax bill for Bonnie Remick in the amount of \$266.32. Bill made a motion to accept. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

5:11 – Garry shared a tax bill for Robert Leonard in the amount of \$4,971.72. Gary made a motion to accept. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

5:13 – Kelly asked a question about last week's draft minutes, regarding the current use application from Wilbur Cox. Samantha read an email from Avitar for clarification; it is correct.

5:18 – Garry read an intent to cut from Greg on Coon Brook Rd. Greg discussed cutting closer to the road than is typical, per a previous conversation with Harold. Discussion followed. Greg is specifically looking for the town to assume responsibility for reseeding, sloping, and stumping, as required by NH law. Garry made a motion to approve this proposal. Bill 2nd. All in favor.

5:31 – Garry made a motion to approve Greg's intent to cut. Bill 2nd. All in favor.

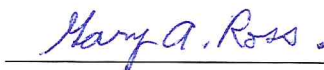
5:35 – Garry read a letter to Sally to pay Avitar for revaluation. Gary made a motion to sign. Bill 2nd. All in favor.

5:38 – Garry discussed his meeting with Dave Eckman earlier today regarding the walls of Stage Rd, and other plans for that road. He went on to discuss the plans for paving on Mica Mine.

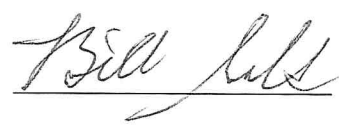
5:41 – Garry let the room know that Town Report books are available for anyone that wants one. A digital copy is also uploaded to the town site.



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5:42 – Garry discussed his recent meeting with FEMA regarding the 2021 storm on Lear Hill Rd. The town is expecting approximately \$45,000 around the 15th of March to continue work and is still obligated the rest of approximately \$528,000. The work will hopefully be done by June. Discussion followed.

5:52 – Garry discussed his meeting with Eckman Engineering regarding perambulation.

5:54 – Garry informed the room that there has been a concern brought up regarding the weight of the library on the 2nd floor. Engineering will need to come in to review the flooring, weight of the books, etc.

5:59 – Discussion about the town report, budget, and warrants.

6:01 – Discussion on town hall, bell tower leaking, concrete ceiling failures, etc.

6:06 – Rhonda gave a report on the fire extinguisher inspection. The board needs to decide what fire suppression company they're going to employ because the sprinkler pump needs servicing.

6:09 – Gordon had a question regarding page 26 of the town report, regarding library spending. That page is from the independent audit report.

6:13 – Gary gave a report regarding our previous state safety inspection. Our next safety meeting is next Monday March 11.

6:14 – Kelly asked about the new dump truck, which is waiting to be decaled. She also asked about the town's red pickup truck being back in service.


6:16 – Kelly addressed the board regarding election procedures. She also asked about the legality of holding election signs inside of a person's car. The board informed Kelly that they have already spoken to legal counsel, and cars are private property and can have election signs inside of them.

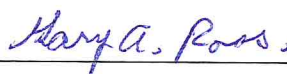
6:26 – Scott continued the discussion about town hall.

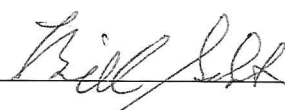
6:33 – Bruce asked Harold about the progress on shelving in the shop.

6:34 – Ramona asked about Sarah's recordings and NCTV. Sarah confirmed that all recordings will be sent; she has no internet at home, so it takes some time.

6:41 – Bill made a motion to adjourn. Gary 2nd. All in favor.


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3:58 – Garry called the meeting to order.

3:59 – Bill made a motion to renew the chairman of the board. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:00 – Garry assigned jobs to the selectmen; Garry is the highway agent, Gary is keymaster and security/health agent, and Bill is HR and office work.

4:01 – Bill made a motion to sign the minutes of 3/4/24 and town meeting minutes. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:05 – Bill made a motion to approve Amber Millette's pistole permit. Garry 2nd. All in favor. Gary made a motion to approve Gregory Millette's. Garry 2nd. All in favor.

4:06 – Garry made a motion to approve a camper permit for the Viens' property. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:08 – Garry made a motion to sign the timber bill for Todd Carmichael. Bill 2nd. All in favor.

4:10 – Garry read a bill for the town dump truck. Gary made a motion to approve and have Sally pay out of the highway vehicle maintenance fund. Bill 2nd. All in favor.

4:11 – Garry read a veteran's tax credit application for Christopher Tracy, already approved by Avitar. Garry made a motion to approve. Bill 2nd. All in favor.

4:12 – Garry read another veteran's tax credit application and made a motion to approve. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:15 – Garry read a bill from Eckman Engineering for Stage Rd and perambulation for \$7,930. Garry made a motion to pay this out of the bridge and highway trust fund. Bill 2nd. All in favor.

4:17 – Garry read information about a grant from Sullivan County for safe streets and roads.

4:19 – Garry read a letter from Sheila Purington with pictures of washout on her property from United Construction. The board has addressed this with the engineer as well as United and is in progress. Payment is being withheld until this, among other issues, is corrected. Discussion followed.

4:28 – Garry read the new StanTec contract at \$23,000, and the recent report for well monitoring. Bill made a motion to sign the contract. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:31 – Garry read a quote for palette jacks for Harold at \$1755. The board will compare it to the first quote and deliberate.

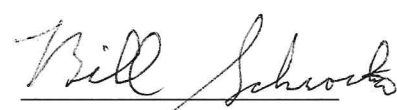
4:32 – Kelly spoke to the newly formed cemetery committee and suggested that they maintain the current existing cemeteries as well as any new cemeteries formed. Discussion followed.



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4:34 – Discussion about the town hall and bell.

4:37 – Harold reported that the trees on Coon Brook Rd are going to be cut soon, and the road will be closed during that time.

4:39 – Sally reminded the board that in mid-April, there are 5 CDs coming due.

4:41 – Scott asked about the cemetery committee.

4:42 – John spoke to the town hall and bell tower.

4:55 – Vanessa presented the annual facility report for DES to be signed. She also informed them of a July 9 tour of the landfill to supplement the class they took previously. She also asked about signing up for the recycling conference; three people should attend. Vanessa also relayed a message from Vikki Davis wanting to hold a meeting at no cost to the town. The board gave the go-ahead, and also gave Vanessa permission to prune the apple trees this year as she has previously. Discussion on dump pricing and transfer stations followed.

5:16 – Sara Finney asked further questions regarding the cemetery committee. She also reminded the board of the timer for their outdoor lights needing to be changed. She went on to express her appreciation for the hard work of the selectmen.

5:20 – Budget discussion.

5:30 – Angela asked about asking Sullivan County for land for the cemetery. Discussion followed. She also asked about finding ordinances online. The town is in the process of digitalizing records and articles.


5:33 – Discussion on trust funds and town CDs.

5:37 – Ramona reported a great turnout for the election, 301 voters. She expressed appreciation to everyone who came out.

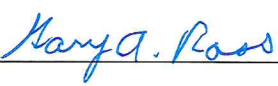
5:39 – Paul reported new building permits coming into the office, and on ones currently in progress.

5:40 – Gordon asked about the progress on checking with engineers regarding the loading of the floors in the library.


5:42 – Bill made a motion to adjourn. Gary 2nd. All in favor.



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Select Board Minutes 13 Center Rd, Unit #3 April 1, 2024
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3:56 – Garry called the meeting to order.

3:57 – Gary made a motion to sign the 12/11/23 safety meeting minutes. Garry 2nd. All in favor.

3:58 – Gary made a motion to sign the 3/11/24 safety meeting minutes. Bill 2nd. All in favor.

4:00 – Bill made a motion to sign the 3/18/24 minutes. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:01 – Garry read a report or cut from Coon Brook Rd, and an intent to cut from the same lot to remove the cut timber. Gary made a motion to accept the intent. Bill 2nd. All in favor.

4:02 – Garry read an agreement from StanTec to renew, with no significant changes. Bill made a motion to accept. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:05 – Bill made a motion to request Sally to pay \$12,421 out of the building maintenance Capital reserve fund. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:06 – Gary made a motion to request Sally to pay Eckman Engineering out of the roads and bridges fund. Bill 2nd. All in favor.

4:07 – Garry read an invoice to add \$398.04 to the pest control contract for spraying flies. Bill made a motion to approve. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:08 – Garry read the contract for the Lear Hill culvert work done after the 2021 FEMA storm. The expected timeline is June and the expected cost is \$84,811 to be paid 45 days after work is done. Gary made a motion to approve. Bill 2nd. All in favor.

4:12 – Garry informed the room that the warrants from town meeting have been finalized and are going out to the state this week.


4:13 – Kevin informed the room that he's volunteering with UVLSRPC. This would allow the town a seat at the table. Garry made a motion to formally nominate Kevin Brenker for the Town Of Unity seat at UVLSRPC. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:15 – Garry read the resignation letter from Tara Gregory regarding Old Home Day. Discussion followed.


4:17 – Garry read a letter from NHDOT regarding resurfacing.

4:19 – The board reviewed a survey from the auditors to be filled out.

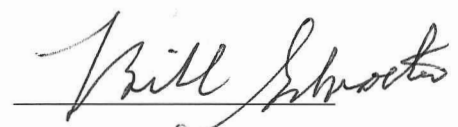
4:20 – Garry gave a FEMA update.



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4:20 – Harold gave an update on the town trucks and plows.

4:21 – Bruce asked about purchasing a new fire truck, grants, and pricing. Garry gave an estimate of what is left in their bank account – approx. \$123,000. Bruce also asked about trainings. Bruce also asked about a grant from the association. The board is looking into it.

4:27 – Angela asked if she could hold a bake sale during an election as a fundraiser. The answer was no.

4:27 – Shaun introduced himself as the new library employee. He asked about a room for the library for children projects. The board said it needs to be further looked at, and a detailed plan written out. Discussion about library hours followed.

4:34 – Discussion about cemetery committee. Angela Huertes and Fred Bellimer are the only members at the moment.

4:36 – Sarah asked about the town blocking North Slack Rd with snow, making a cul de sac, a turnaround, etc. to mitigate the problem. A discussion about the boundary of North Slack followed. Sarah reiterated on a plan to stop blocking her access. Garry agreed to come back at the next meeting with paperwork and deliberate with her.

4:46 – Kelly mentioned a previous request regarding ATVs and ordinances on class VI roads. A previous years' vote voted no. Garry informed her that such a thing does not exist, which is why her request was not fulfilled. Angela also mentioned that it was brought up at town meeting a few years ago, where it was voted down. Garry also informed the room that state law would cover this in the event that no such ordinance exists, and the state law says no ATVs on roads. Discussion followed.

4:55 – Kelly added onto the previous discussion regarding cemeteries, and fencing/maintenance.

5:00 – Scott asked about the “chip seal” line item on the board’s whiteboard. Discussion about improving the roads followed. Scott also followed up on the town hall.

5:13 – Bill made a motion to adjourn. Gary 2nd. All in favor.



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Select Board Minutes 13 Center Rd, Unit #3 April 15, 2024
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4:02 – Garry called the meeting to order.

4:03 – The board signed minutes from the meeting with Eckman Engineering on 4/9/24. Gary made a motion to approve. Bill 2nd. All in favor.

4:05 – Gary made a motion to approve the minutes of 4/1/24. Bill 2nd. All in favor.

4:07 – Garry read an intent to cut for Coon Brook Rd. Garry made a motion to accept. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:08 – Garry read a timber bill in the amount of \$5,353.95 for Ryan Richardson. Bill made a motion. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:09 – Garry read a timber bill for Tod Carmichael in the amount of \$350.43. Bill made a motion. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:11 – Garry read an intent to cut on 2nd NH Tpke for Brenda Cox. Garry made a motion to accept. Bill 2nd. All in favor.

4:12 – Garry read an intent to cut on Pike Hill Rd for HHP Inc. Garry made a motion to accept, contingent upon a road bond. Bill 2nd. All in favor.

4:13 – Garry read an application for solar credit for Gary Ross. Garry made a motion to accept. Bill 2nd. 2 in favor, Gary abstains.

4:14 – Garry read a letter to Trustee of trust funds to pay \$4,041.68 out of Building Maintenance to Elliot Brown for work done to the garage. Garry made the motion to sign the letter to Sally. Bill 2nd. All in favor.

4:15 – Garry read a letter from Kirk Frost questioning the perambulation over Perry Mountain. Kirk would like the perambulation to only reference the ridgeline and not the straight line. Counsel will need to be conferred with. Discussion followed.

4:24 – Hazard mitigation is sending a grant in the amount of approximately \$20,000 to update the mitigation plan and binder. This must be completed by April 18, 2025.

4:26 – Garry reported on a letter from FEMA regarding our rating as an A+ town because of our previous work done.

4:27 – Sally reported that CDs are coming due. The board will meet with her at a later date to determine what to do. Sally also asked Kelly about the school's trust funds. People still haven't been paid from March voting.

4:31 – Vanessa reported back regarding Transfer Station budgeting and revenue. She gave a proposal for price increases for disposal of items. Discussion followed. Garry made a motion to accept the changes starting May 1. Gary



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2nd. All in favor. Vanessa also asked that a town line sign be put up on more roads. Garry informed her that that is in progress with the perambulation.

4:41 – Evelyn invited the selectmen to the roadside cleanup on April 27. Lunch will be at 11:00.

4:43 – John asked about researching cemetery properties, and if a logging crew can go cut a lot to make room for one.

4:47 – LeeAnn revisited the Perry Mountain issue and explained the importance of knowing where the town line is. Discussion followed. Garry also recommended that Evelyn call FEMA for damages done to her property from runoff. John and Terry mentioned that a perambulation is not meant to be new information, but a confirmation of previous perambulations.

5:01 – Sarah revisited the discussion on North Slack Rd from last meeting. Garry referenced the lack of rights-of-way in the deeds to her property, and recommended speaking to lawyers and/or going to court to avoid conflict.

5:08 – Terry spoke on the 2023 flooding. FEMA is not always a good fit for smaller damages, or damages on class 6 roads. Discussion with Harold followed. Bill made a motion to approve applying for the grant he brought in. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

5:15 – Harold produced a form for insurance for the truck that lost its plow.

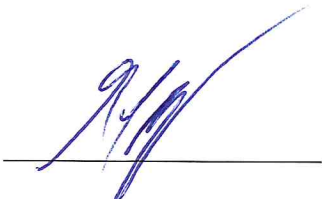
5:16 – Paul gave a quick report on inspections he's completed.

5:17 – Garry informed the room that a third member has joined the cemetery committee so they'll be all set to start their work.

5:18 – Gary made a motion to enter 91A session. Bill 2nd. All in favor.

5:33 – Garry made a motion to leave 91A. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

5:34 – Garry made a motion to adjourn. Gary 2nd. All in favor.



Garry Bator



Gary Ross



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Attendees: Gary Ross, Garry Bator, William "Bill" Schroeter, Samantha Graham, Harold Booth, Shaun Hathaway, Sally Teague, Angela Huertes, Gordon Brann, Robert McDevitt, Paul Moeller, Pidge McDevitt, Evelyn Page, Sarah Finney, Kelly Simpson, Jeremy Turner, Laura French

4:04 – Garry called the meeting to order.

4:05 – Gary made a motion to sign the minutes of 4/15. Bill 2nd. All in favor.

4:06 – Bill made a motion to sign the 91A minutes of 4/15. Garry 2nd. All in favor.

4:07 – Garry read an intent to cut for John Callum on 2nd NH Tpke. Bill made a motion to accept. Garry 2nd. All in favor.

4:08 – Garry read an intent to cut for Egan Rd. Bill made a motion to accept. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:09 – Garry read a report of cut bill for John Callum in the amount of \$807. Bill made a motion to accept. Gary 2nd.

4:10 – Garry read a report of cut bill for Richard Reindeau in the amount of \$2098.78. Gary made a motion to accept. Bill 2nd. All in favor.

4:12 – Garry read a report of cut bill for Wayne Weed in the amount of \$927.78. Gary made a motion to accept. Bill 2nd. All in favor.

4:14 – Garry touched on the topic of Raye Adams' elderly lien settlement. Bill made a motion to accept. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:16 – Garry read a letter to Sally requesting to pay VentUSA. Bill made a motion to sign the letter. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:17 – Garry read a letter to Sally requesting to pay Stantec. Gary made a motion to sign. Bill 2nd. All in favor.

4:18 – Garry showed the concept of the banners the Town is planning to purchase to hang around town. The smaller size would cost \$2607 for ten. The larger size would be \$2770, an increase of only \$163. The board asked to table this item until the next meeting.


4:20 – Garry read an FYI from the attorney regarding the properties going to auction.


4:21 – Garry read some emails from Kirk Frost regarding perambulation. Garry also mentioned that Charlestown approved the town line becoming the crest of the ridgeline rather than a straight line running across it.


4:26 – Garry read a quote to fix the elevator for \$1800. Bill made a motion to approve. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:27 – Garry thanked Evelyn for the hard work done on roadside cleanup.

4:28 – Garry informed the room that the generator for the town office (approved at town meeting) has been delivered.


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4:29 – Garry informed the room that the town is likely to be 1/3 overbudget for electrical this year. Bill brought up turning the town buildings solar but doesn't believe it would be cost effective. A solar field would cost approximately \$2 million. We are currently looking for grants. Discussion followed.

4:36 – Garry discussed the firehouse grant with the room.

4:40 – Garry informed the room of a \$7500 grant the town received to rebuild our hazard mitigation plan.

4:41 – The board addressed Jeremy and Laura and asked about logging values on each of the town-owned properties. Discussion followed.

4:52 – Garry gave a FEMA update on the approval of emergency expenditures (approx. \$3500), and how the other projects are split up.

4:55 – Harold spoke about Stage Rd by Neal Mine Rd, regarding a catch basin to avoid large holes damaging vehicles. Harold also spoke about propane tanks.

4:59 – Robert and Pidge asked about an abatement for their burnt property. Garry informed them it's a simple form and the assessor is in tomorrow, so they should come in tomorrow morning.

5:00 – Gordon asked about Stage Rd by the twin bridges being "skim coated". Harold informed him that it is on his list of things to do.

5:01 – Kelly asked about John Callum's access to the town office. The board reminded her that John is the moderator and does have access to the office. Kelly also spoke about her road not being graded yet this year. Garry informed her that the highway department tries to be efficient and work in one area of town at a time to cut down on driving back and forth through town. They also focus on the worst roads and the most populated roads first. Kelly reiterated her previous offer to help rake the roads, especially her own. Garry reminded her that the highway only has one grader, regardless of how many employees we have, it can only be on one road at a time.

5:09 – Shaun produced his proof of concept for the library using the second room upstairs. He stated that the current space is relatively claustrophobic. Garry expressed his concern that the space may turn into an unlawful daycare. There is also a concern of confidentiality with the records being housed in that room. Angela asked about supervision if they have two rooms open, and only one adult available. Discussion followed.

5:22 – Harold brought up a discussion on cemetery signs. Gary touched on restoration.

5:32 – Gary made a motion to adjourn. Bill 2nd. All in favor.

5:33 – Gary made a motion to reopen the meeting. Garry 2nd. All in favor.

5:33 – Gary made a motion to enter a nonpublic meeting. Bill 2nd. All in favor.

6:32 – Bill made a motion to leave 91A. Garry 2nd. All in favor.

6:33 – Gary made a motion to adjourn. Garry 2nd. All in favor.


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Attendees: Gary Ross, Garry Bator, William "Bill" Schroeter, Samantha Graham, Rhonda King, Cathy Lombardo, Ramona Labrie, Harold Booth, John Callum, Gordon Brann, Sarah Finney, Scott Powers

3:58 – Garry called the meeting to order.

3:59 – Gary made a motion to approve the 5/6/24 minutes. Garry 2nd. All in favor.

3:59 – Gary made a motion to approve the 5/6/24 91A minutes. Bill 2nd. All in favor.

4:00 – Gary informed the room that the elevator in the building has been worked on, and the office will be doing away with the key to use it.

4:01 – Gary discussed the basement of town hall, which has also been looked at. An estimate is to be expected from a couple of companies.

4:07 – Bill brought up a tabled discussion from the last meeting regarding the town banners. The cost will be \$2,778 for 30"x84" flags. Bill made a motion to purchase. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:11 – Bill read a flyer from Walz proposing a service for certified mail. This will be easier and cheaper for the office. Garry made a motion to approve. Bill 2nd. All in favor.

4:12 – Bill discussed purchasing jackets for the transfer station employees. Discussion followed. Bill made a motion to purchase. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:16 – Gary discussed progress made on the cemeteries. He rode with Fred and took notes as they inspected.

4:17 – Bill made a motion to approve the pistol permit for Darrell Boyle. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:17 – Bill made a motion to approve the pistol permit for Michael Streeter. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:17 – Bill made a motion to approve the pistol permit for Steven Fletcher. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

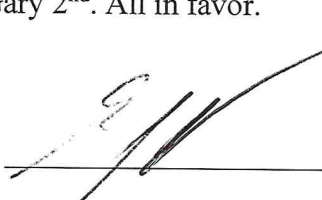
4:18 – Garry read a timber bill for Justin Maguire. Gary made a motion to sign. Bill 2nd. All in favor.

4:20 – Garry read a timber bill for Barbara Hathaway. Gary made a motion to sign. Bill 2nd. All in favor.


4:21 – Garry read a land use tax change for Andrew Merle; land being taken out of current use. Bill made a motion to accept. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:23 – Garry read an application to put 12 acres into current use from Brandon Kier. Bill made a motion to accept. Gary 2nd. All in favor. Discussion followed.

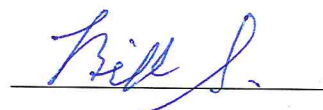
4:30 – Garry read an application to put 13 acres into current use for James/Shiela Aiken. Bill made a motion to accept. Gary 2nd. All in favor.



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4:32 – Garry read an elderly exemption application. Garry made a motion to deny due to income limits. Bill 2nd. All in favor.

4:34 – Garry read another elderly exemption application. Bill made a motion to deny due to asset limitations. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:36 – Garry read an application from Caryl McDevitt for a tax abatement/proration. Bill made a motion to accept. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:38 – Garry produced a letter that has been previously signed but needed to be rewritten and now resigned.

4:40 – Harold produced a paper regarding the catch basin on Stage Rd.

4:41 – Gordon opened a discussion regarding the library trustees meeting last week. He argued that procedure was not followed, and an alternate was appointed, which is not allowed. The board will take it under advisement.

4:44 – John opened a discussion regarding the school not paying the election officials back in March. His main concern was that they don't have a clerk to follow up with. He brought up a town vote from years ago where the vote said to have joint meetings, where the town and school would split payments, and the school has not followed through on their end of the bargain. He also cited RSA 671 for anyone who wishes to research. Garry informed the room that the town is aware of the situation, and the school has also been made aware of their shortcomings. They are looking for the most mutually beneficial solutions. John continued to describe his recent encounter with the school board in lacking to add him to the agenda after being told he would be, and refusing to listen to him during citizens' comments.

4:58 – Ramona discussed John being the school moderator and school issues should go more thoroughly through him. She also reported back on her recent discussions with the secretary of state and attorney general. Discussion followed.

5:03 – Cathy added her experiences and frustration to the discussion.

5:09 – Scott asked about the roads taking longer to grade this year than in previous years. Discussion followed.

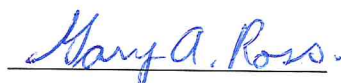
5:16 – Rhonda brought up the situation with the library. It was opened without permission. The town insurance company is very unhappy. It is legally considered a daycare and is therefore unlicensed and should be shut down.

5:18 – Cathy asked for a follow up regarding a generator for town offices. Garry said it's been delivered, just waiting to be installed. Rhonda added into the topic of electricity to inform the board that the elevator usage causes power surges in the whole building.

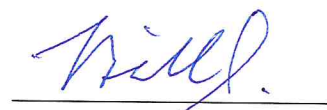
5:20 – Gary made a motion to adjourn. Bill 2nd. All in favor.



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Attendees: Gary Ross, Garry Bator, William "Bill" Schroeter, Samantha Graham, Harold Booth, Tim Davis, Ramona Labrie, Cathy Lombardo, Angela Huertes, Cora LaClair, Sarah Finney

3:58 – Garry called the meeting to order.

3:59 – The board reviewed the 5/20 minutes. Bill made a motion to accept and sign. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

3:59 – Garry read a request from Kevin Brenker representing the Crescent Lake Association asking that the board allocate the funds for Milfoil. Garry made a motion to do so. Bill 2nd. All in favor.

4:00 – Garry read an email from Eckman regarding CSI. They will be delivering in the last week of June. Eckman will need to provide the shop drawings before then.

4:03 – Garry read some quotes for the basement in town hall. They range between 14,000 and 26,000.

4:04 – Garry reported about his recent meeting with FEMA. All is running smoothly, and projects are being pushed forward as expected.

4:06 – Harold asked Gary if he could go to a specific house and get photos of the foundation. He also asked the board who they believe should be the company servicing propane to the generator, to which the board answered Irving. The electrician will be here for the generator on Wednesday.

4:10 – Cathy reported that she ordered the Unity banners.

4:10 – Harold discussed with the board about what size stones to use on the roads. He also asked about ordering the shims for the grader. The board told him to order what he needs for the grader as it is the town's only grader and is needed. Harold asked the board about when to mow the landfill, to which the board answered once a year, in about August.

4:13 – Cathy reported that she's almost done with the grant for the bell tower, pending an estimate from Paul Moeller.

4:14 – Sarah asked about the planning board not responding to her emails. Bill said the master plan is under review and it should be at the July meeting. Discussion followed.

4:19 – Tim gave a report; all is good.+

4:21 – Discussion on generators and losing electricity.

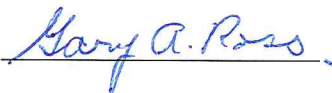
4:25 – Angela asked about the forester looking at town-owned properties to find anything worth logging. We have not yet.

4:26 – Garry reported that the ballot clerks have been paid.

4:27 – Bill made a motion to adjourn. Gary 2nd. All in favor.



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Attendees: Gary Ross, Garry Bator, William "Bill" Schroeter, Samantha Graham, Harold Booth, Ramona LaBrie, Cathy Lombardo, John Callum, Fred Bellimer, Angela Huertas, Cora LaClair, Kylie Tilton, Tara Tilton, Adam Boardman, Tina Boardman, Sarah Finney, Gordon Brann

3:56 – Garry called the meeting to order.

3:57 – Gary made a motion to accept the minutes for June 3. Bill 2nd. All in favor.

3:58 – Garry presented a pistol permit for Eric Grossman and made a motion to sign. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

3:59 – Garry read a timber tax bill for Hathaway that has already been approved and just needs to be signed.

4:00 – Garry read a timber tax bill for LaPlante for \$3,215.14. Gary made a motion to sign. Bill 2nd. All in favor.

4:02 – Garry read an intent to cut on Hemlock Hill Rd. Bill made a motion to accept. Gary 2nd. All in favor. A \$5/ft road bond will be sought after.

4:03 – Garry read a timber tax bill for Heino for \$91.83. Gary made a motion to sign. Bill 2nd. All in favor.

4:08 – Garry read a bid from Carroll Concrete for volume at \$12.50/ton 2" minus and \$14.50/ton for 7" minus. Bill made a motion to accept. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:10 – Gary read two quotes for waterproofing Town Hall. He recommended choosing Wet Basement Solutions. Garry made a motion to accept. John began a discussion. Bill 2nd the motion. All in favor.

4:19 – Garry made a motion to pay Wet Basement Solutions out of the Town Hall Repair Fund, when the time comes. Bill 2nd. All in favor.

4:21 – Garry read a tax credit application, approved by Avitar. Garry made a motion to accept. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:22 – Garry read a letter from Avitar stating there is a parcel in town that needs to have land taken out of current use. The board would like to send a letter to the property owner to inform them of the decision.

4:24 – The board presented Harold a letter regarding a recall on the Dodge dump truck.

4:24 – Garry read a letter from the clerk announcing they have received a grant of \$1,000 in support of restoration of historical documents from Bar Harbor Bank and Trust.

4:26 – Discussion on Cathy's efforts to secure a grant for the bell tower restoration. The board thanked her for her hard work.

4:31 – Kylie presented her speech as a girl scout regarding her anti-littering kiosk "How Long Til It's Gone". Their ideal location in town is near the town office to allow registering drivers to look at it, since most of Unity's litter comes from cars on roads.

4:50 – Bill made a motion to approve Kylie's proposal. Gary 2nd. All in favor.


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4:54 – Tina and Adam discussed their property and getting a 911 address for their cottage. The town is concerned that the building does not reach the 750 sq ft requirement as a dwelling, nor have a foundation, as well as not having running water, or firetruck access. They also asked about the address 617 Stage Rd, which they believe was previously attached to their property, but that number actually belonged to FB Alarms Inc. Discussion followed. The board agreed to allow the 911 number.

5:11 – Gordon asked about Stage Rd timeline and potholes. They're on the list.

5:13 – Harold asked about asphalt logistics.

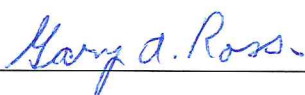
5:14 – Fred and the cemetery committee presented alternates to the Mica Mine location. Discussion followed.

5:22 – The board thanked Fred for his 20+ years of service to the Town and presented a gift.

5:26 – Bill made a motion to adjourn. Gary 2nd. All in favor.



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Attendees: Gary Ross, Garry Bator, William "Bill" Schroeter, Samantha Graham, Harold Booth, Ramona Labrie, Bruce Adams, Tim Davis, Sally Teague, John Callum, Paul Moeller, Kelly Simpson, Sarah Finney

3:57 – Garry called the meeting to order.

3:58 – Garry made a motion to accept the minutes of 6/17. Garry 2nd. All in favor.

3:58 – Garry read an excavation bill for Heino. Garry made a motion to sign. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

3:59 – Garry read an intent to excavate for the same property. Bill made a motion to accept. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:00 – Garry read a timber bill for Bridge. Bill made a motion to sign. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:01 – Garry read a timber bill for Cote. Bill made a motion to sign. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:02 – Garry read an intent to cut for Cox. Gary made a motion to approve. Bill 2nd. All in favor.

4:04 – Garry produced a rental agreement from John Deere for the Lear Hill project for \$5,000/month. Gary made a motion to accept. Bill 2nd. All in favor.

4:05 – Garry read a proposal for guardrails for the Lear Hill project for \$19,662. Bill made a motion to accept. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:07 – Garry read the invoice for the castings of culverts for Lear Hill. It was \$56,456.00 rather than the \$81,000 they originally approved. Lear Hill will be closed starting Wednesday next week and lasting approximately 2 weeks. Garry discussed a meeting he had with Harold regarding the project. Everything seems to be in order and ready to go.

4:09 – Garry presented the town audit, which the Town passed.

4:10 – Garry discussed the tax auction coming up in August. They would like a final word by July 12. The board agreed that the list they currently have is still correct, so they can send that one as their final.

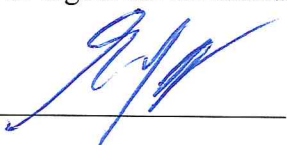
4:13 – Tim gave a report. They have 11 on their team now.

4:16 – Harold gave a report. He is working on Stage Rd and Quaker City Rd now and then will continue down the list. Mica Mine and Stage should be paved this month. Lear Hill will be paved after it's completed.


4:22 – Garry reported that the granite company will be here this month.

4:23 – Bruce asked about the training cars in front of the Fire Station. The board and Tim said they had no problem with the cars being there and used for training.

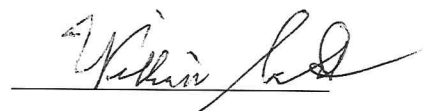
4:27 – Sally discussed the CDs due this month and suggested the 7-month special again. The board asked for some time to digest the information.



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4:28 – Kelly asked about the cemetery fence. Garry let her know it would be done this season. Discussion about the material of the fence; Sarah suggested granite, the board also considered chains, vinyl, and wood. Wood is the current decision, but the board is still open to discussion on that matter.

4:33 – Sarah asked about the cemetery committee, now that they've presented their suggestions, if they're now disbanded. The board said no, they are still intact and looking for other suggestions. Discussion followed regarding the plot of land the committee suggested. John continued the discussion regarding land owned by the County.

4:43 – Kelly spoke as a school board member outside of a quorum, requesting that, in the future for payments for things such as town meetings, the town pay the workers immediately and then bill the school. Garry brought up budgeting and funding concerns.

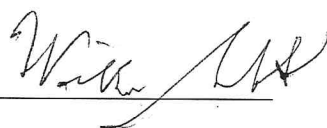
4:49 – Gary made a motion to adjourn. Bill 2nd. All in favor.



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Attendees: Gary Ross, Garry Bator, William "Bill" Schroeter, Samantha Graham, Angela Huertas, Evelyn Page, Bruce Adams, Sarah Finney, Ben Mortell, Kelly Simpson, Jenny Wright, Stan Rastallis

4:02 – Garry called the meeting to order.

4:03 – Review of previous minutes.

4:05 – Kelly and Garry discussed her ideas for cemetery fencing. Her main recommendation is a stone wall or vinyl. Garry asked her to get a price to do a rock wall. Bruce interjected wood would be cheaper than stone. Angela asked if the cemetery has any historical rules, to which the board said no.

4:20 – Kelly presented a stack of returned voter mail and requested to hand this to Cathy in case changes needed to be made.

4:22 – The MS 535 has been signed.

4:23 – Garry presented the resignation letter from Gata Hudson. The library has already taken care of this.

4:24 – Garry read pricing for the Stage Rd and Lear Hill projects from KA Stevens. He gave a quick report on the two projects.

4:26 – Garry gave a FEMA report. Ben brought up discussion on the Stage Rd bridge.

4:38 – Discussion about beavers and removal thereof.

4:41 – Bruce asked about the Fire Pond from FEMA. Garry stated that FEMA refused funding for that project.

4:49 – Stan brought up a discussion about Quaker City cemetery.

4:55 – Garry gave an update on Mica Mine paving.

4:56 – Gary gave a brief update on Town Hall waterproofing.

4:57 – Discussion on historical society.

4:58 – Garry gave an update on the grants the town is pursuing; fire station and bell tower.

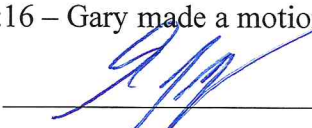
5:00 – Discussion on a solar field.

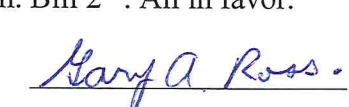
5:02 – Evelyn asked about a piece of property being auctioned that she believes is in conservation. She read the deed. The board will have an answer for her at a later date.

5:10 – Sarah asked about the Forester. She also mentioned a piece of property with two buildings on it.

5:15 – Bruce asked about town ordinance regarding living in a camper. Garry explained that it's allowed while you are building a home, and with a permit.

5:16 – Gary made a motion to adjourn. Bill 2nd. All in favor.


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Unity, NH 03603

Attendees: Gary Ross, Garry Bator, William "Bill" Schroeter, Samantha Graham, Harold Booth, Ramona Labrie, Tim Davis, Paul Moeller, Sarah Finney, Scott Stringer, Ellyn Vanderwyden, Matt Vanderwyden

3:57 – Garry called the meeting to order.

3:58 – Bill made a motion to approve the minutes of July 15 and July 1. Gary 2nd. All in favor. Sarah requested a photo of the revised July 1 minutes.

4:00 – Garry read some new messages from the website. Most of them are road complaints to be filed with Harold. There is also a complaint of a camper being lived in on Huntoon Brick Farm Rd. The selectboard will look into it and take action accordingly.

4:02 – Garry read a timber tax bill for Arthur Heino. Garry made a motion to sign. Bill 2nd. All in favor.

4:03 – Garry gave a report on the new granite sign on the town common, and the blue welcome banners. Positive responses from the room.

4:05 – Garry read a letter for power of attorney for the auctioneers. Gary made a motion to authorize. Bill 2nd. All in favor.

4:07 – Garry read three thank you letters to Claremont Savings Bank, Bank of NH, and Mascoma Savings Bank for their sponsorships for Unity Movie Nights, totaling \$1,000. The board signed the letters. Discussion about attendance. Ramona suggested posting in the school for kids to see.

4:09 – The board discussed perambulation of Charlestown line. The second leg still needs to be done in the fall before anything can be dealt with in detail. However, Garry assures that the town line follows the ridge of the mountain, regardless of any straight lines shown on engineer paperwork.

4:11 – Garry presented salt bids for the winter. A decision cannot be made until much closer to the season when all the bids have been entered.

4:12 – Garry read a FYI letter from Hillsborough planning board regarding a cell tower going up.

4:13 – The board read the new contract for Cintas. There is no price increase. Gary made a motion to accept and sign the contract. Bill 2nd. All in favor.

4:14 – The board read a license to sell pistols and revolvers from an address on Skyline Dr, which has already been background checked by the FBI and Sherriff's Dept. Gary made a motion to accept and administer the license. Bill 2nd. All in favor.

4:15 – Scott, Ellyn, and Matt discussed the property for auction on Emerson Rd. There was also a discussion of size according to the town ordinance, but Garry informed them the lot is grandfathered in as a buildable lot. Garry said he will go to the site tomorrow afternoon and get more information.

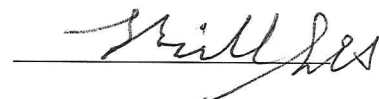
4:34 – Sarah asked about the lot for auction next to Garry's house. She also informed the board about an abandoned fridge on Copeland Brook Rd that should be cleaned up. Garry asked Harold to bring it to the transfer station.



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4:39 – Gary gave a report on Hampshire Fire Safety and Tasco doing an inspection. They believe the alarms are being caused by power surges from the elevator. Gary also gave a report on purchasing new fire extinguishers for the highway. Gary also asked about the conservation fund being put into a 7-month CD. Gary also produced an estimate for scaffolding for the town hall.

4:44 – Garry informed the room of a potential grant to be used on roads near Acworth.

4:50 – Discussion on grants the town has applied for and is applying for.

4:52 – Paul reported that there are a few houses pouring concrete. Everyone is being communicative. He and Tim are also preparing for the inspection of the Haunted Walk property. Garry asked him about the previously mentioned household living in a camper, if they are still building, if the HOA has limitations, etc. Per Paul, the household is still within the town's guidelines.

4:57 – Garry gave a report on FEMA. We are expecting a payment for Lear Hill in the amount of approximately \$528,000. The payment is expected around November at the beginning of the next fiscal year, as FEMA is out of money for this year. Stage Rd is also in progress to get paid through 404 mitigation. After Lear Hill and Stage Rd, the administrative costs (Category Z) will be paid, and then FEMA will finally be done for 2021 and 2023.

5:01 – Garry informed the room that there will be potential paving this Thursday and Friday on Mica Mine, Stage, and Lear Hill. If rain prevents this week, it will happen next Thursday and Friday.


5:04 – Gary reported that the Wet Basement appointment is scheduled to be the same week as voting. Garry asked if they can stagger the floor-cutting around Tuesday.

5:06 – Garry reported that some work was also done on North Shore Rd. Discussion on milage of roads in Unity. There's more than 17 miles of paved roads. Paving costs approximately \$300,000 per mile when the work is done in-house.

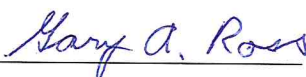
5:16 – Harold gave his report on Lear Hill Rd. He presented photos of the work, and asked about the guardrail quote being sent in.

5:18 – Discussion on the granite signs and the cemetery signs. Garry expects them to finish under budget.

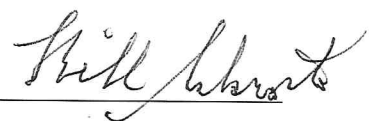
5:19 – Gary made a motion to adjourn. Bill 2nd. All in favor.



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Attendees: Gary Ross, Garry Bator, William "Bill" Schroeter, Samantha Graham, Ramona Labrie, Tim Davis, Bruce Adams, Harold Booth, Angela Huertas, Sarah Finney

4:02 – Garry called the meeting to order.

4:02 – Gary made a motion to approve the minutes from August 5. Bill 2nd. All in favor.

4:03 – Garry presented a timber bill for Joseph Carrier for \$5,781.92. Bill made a motion to sign. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:04 – Garry presented a timber bill for Brenda Cox for \$4,163.36. Gary made a motion to sign. Bill 2nd. All in favor.

4:05 – Garry read a request to make funds available from the Crescent Lake Association in the amount of \$5,000 to establish a watershed management plan. Gary made a motion to sign. Bill 2nd. All in favor.

4:06 – Garry read a letter to Sally to pay \$4,169 to Avitar for revaluation. Bill made a motion to sign. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:08 – Garry read a report from Sally about capital reserves. Currently have \$1,299,551.11.

4:09 – Garry read the estimate from Monadnock Fencing for the fence around the cemetery for \$17,888.96. The board is awaiting other quotes and bids before making a decision. Ramona asked how they will decide. Garry informed her that he's already spoke with Fred the sextant, and they will deliberate, along with feedback from other stakeholders such as people who have family in the cemetery.

4:11 – Tim told Garry that if he'd like to join the fire department's next meeting, it is Wednesday at around 5.

4:13 – Angela asked about the highway list of things to do, namely County Farm Rd. Garry hopes they'll get to it by the end of the year, but cannot promise.

4:15 – Bruce gave a report of a towns person that passed away yesterday who was well-involved in town. A celebration of life may be held next month at the firehouse.

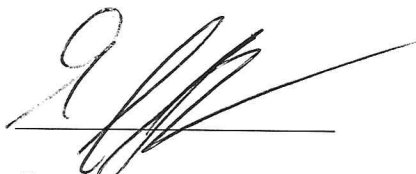
4:16 – Sarah reminded the board that the fridge is still on the corner of the road she mentioned at the previous meeting.

4:16 – Harold gave a report of a truck giving troubles with its gauges and needs to be looked at. He also hopes to start laying gravel on North Shore by Wednesday.

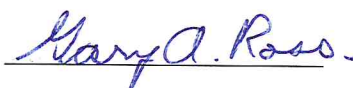
4:20 – Garry made a motion to pay all the warrant articles for the year, Bill 2nd. All in favor.

4:20 – Reminder that the 9/2 meeting is moved to 9/3 to make room for the Labor Day holiday.

4:21 – Bill made a motion to adjourn. Gary 2nd. All in favor.



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Attendees: Gary Ross, Garry Bator, Samantha Graham, Harold Booth, Tim Davis, Angela Huertas, Bruce Adams, Sarah Finney, Tara Tilton

4:00 – Garry called the meeting to order.

4:01 – Garry made a motion to sign the 8/19 minutes. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:01 – Garry presented two letters for RFPs for winter sand for KA Stevens and Carroll Concrete, and three RFPs for winter fuel for Irving, Eastern, and RE Hinkley. The board signed; no motion needed.

4:02 – Garry informed the room that the internet has been down for the entire building today and continues to be down. Hopefully it will be fixed by tomorrow, but it cannot be promised.

4:03 – Garry presented a quote from CCI for a new computer to replace one in the office that is barely functional for \$2,041. Gary made a motion to accept. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:04 – Garry read a quote to replace the emergency radio in the building for \$375. Garry made a motion to approve. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:04 – Garry informed the room that there is still only one quote for the cemetery fencing, and the board would like to wait to see if more bids come in.

4:05 – Tara presented the laminated posters for the litter kiosk that the conservation commission was interested in. She gave a report on the progress of the kiosk's construction. The board will meet with Harold and determine where it can be placed safely.

4:10 – Angela talked about the graffiti on Copeland Brook Rd, and near North Shore Rd. Gary is speaking with Harold to get it cleaned up properly. Garry said to try the D2 cleaner first; Bruce suggested Easy Off oven cleaner. Gary mentioned he heard Goof Off cleaner would work. Angela went on to invite the room to Barbara Hathaway's cane holder presentation on September 22 in the Town Hall at 2:00.

4:13 – Bruce mentioned that the celebration of life for Jason Lemere is Saturday at 11:00 at the fire station.


4:15 – Garry gave a report on FEMA.

4:18 – Garry reported that the mowing of the roads should be done by Friday. North Shore Rd should be ready for paving soon.

4:20 – Garry made a motion to move \$10,000 from the general fund to the DMV fund so the clerk can process credit cards. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:21 – Garry mentioned a proposal from KA Stevens to crush asphalt for approx. \$24,000, which is \$8,000 per day over 3 days. Discussion followed.

4:35 – Gary reported some holes to Harold on Lear Hill Rd.



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4:38 – Harold presented a proposal for removing trees along the sides of the road for \$9,750. Garry made a motion to accept. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:43 – Harold asked about pasturing on Thurber Rd. The board will have an answer for next meeting. Discussion followed.

4:49 – Tim has some info to give on the upcoming fireman's muster. Discussion followed.

4:52 – Gary made a motion to enter 91A regarding personnel. Garry 2nd. All in favor.

5:17 – Gary made a motion to leave 91A. Garry 2nd. All in favor.

5:17 – Garry made a motion to seal the 91A minutes for 99 years. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

5:18 – Gary made a motion to adjourn. Garry 2nd. All in favor.


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Attendees: Gary Ross, Garry Bator, William "Bill" Schroeter, Samantha Graham, Harold Booth, Paul Moeller, Rocco Ruggerio, Margaret Drye, Sarah Finney

3:58 – Garry called the meeting to order.

3:59 – Garry made a motion to sign September 3rd minutes. Bill 2nd. All in favor.

3:59 – Bill made a motion to sign the safety meeting minutes. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:00 – Rocco presented as the co-chair of the school board. He discussed withdrawing from SAU 6. He presented a handout to the room which compared costs, advantages, and disadvantages, as well as an organizational chart. A copy of this handout will be attached to these minutes. Gary asked about the timeline, and Rocco explained it would be voted on as a warrant article, then a year of preparation, so approximately July 2026.

4:14 – Margaret introduced herself and concurred with Rocco's presentation. Garry talked with her about the fire muster.

4:17 – Garry presented a pistol permit for Ronald Lanigan. Bill made a motion to sign. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:18 – Garry explained the HMP meeting last week.

4:19 – Gary made a motion to sign the HMP meeting minutes. Bill 2nd. All in favor.

4:20 – Garry read a letter to Sally to pay 4169.00 to Avitar for revaluation. Bill made a motion to sign. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:21 – Garry read a letter to Sally to pay 20,100 to Wet basement for Town Hall repairs. Gary made a motion to sign. Bill 2nd. All in favor.

4:22 – Garry read a letter about properties correcting the amount of land in current use after revaluation; Turner and McGoughry. Bill made a motion to sign. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:25 – Garry read a veteran's tax credit application from Avitar to be denied. Bill made a motion to sign. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

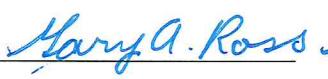
4:29 – Garry read the revaluation from Avitar. Garry made the suggestion to table signing and accepting until all selectmen get a chance to review.

4:30 – Garry read salt bids from Eastern Minerals for 85.40/ton, Morton Salt for \$79.46/ton, and American Rock Salt for \$84/ton. Harold made the note that Morton Salt is too fine for the roads, and you need to use twice as much, and the board should choose the second cheapest. Bill made a motion to accept American Rock Salt's bid. Gary 2nd. All in favor.


4:33 – Garry read sand bids from Carroll Concrete for \$10.20/ton, and KA Stevens for \$7.65/ton. Bill made a motion to accept KA Steven's bid. Gary 2nd. All in favor.



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4:35 – Garry read an email from Anthony Perras regarding North Shore Rd cracking. Harold said it's going to continue shifting until they get the pipe in there, but it is on the list.

4:37 – Gary invited the board to Barbara Hathaway's cane ceremony on September 22 at 2pm at the Town Hall. The public is invited as well, the more the merrier.

4:39 – Gary gave a report on the water mitigation at town hall. It looks great.

4:41 – Gary reported that the glass was replaced on the old hearse.

4:42 – Harold reported on the stumps on North Shore, and now it's ready for asphalt. Lear Hill is still waiting for guardrails.

4:44 – Garry gave an update on FEMA.

4:45 – Garry and Harold discussed inspections on the vehicles and the plow repairs.

4:47 – Paul brought up the waste oil heater, discussion followed. Harold mentioned a grant that may help.

4:50 – Paul gave a report on work done around town that he's seen. There are 8 new homes. There is a permit application that came in that will need to go in front of the Conservation Commission.

4:53 – Gary asked Paul about Devil's Playground. Paul reported his 2nd inspection came back clear. He plans on going back again before the season.

4:55 – Garry made an announcement that any veterans in town who are interested in getting a brick on the war monument, the town is buying five new ones.

4:56 – Gary gave a report on the person who requested ranching in Thurber Forest and Upper Valley Land Trust.


4:57 – Garry and Paul discussed population growth and certain infrastructures that will need to be in place. For example, after 3,000 citizens, a town loses their state police patrol.

4:59 – Garry and Harold discussed expanding the roads and adding cul-de-sacs at the end of dead-end roads.

5:01 – Garry discussed beginning a policy of upgrading 1 mile of paved road per year, which will take approximately 20 years to complete, and then starting again from the beginning. The town would create a list of what section of roads would be upgraded what year for the public to refer to.

5:04 – Sarah discussed the lot on Emerson Rd that was sold at auction. She also asked about the solar grant, which has stalled at this point.

5:08 – Bill made a motion to adjourn. Gary 2nd. All in favor.



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Attendees: Gary Ross, Garry Bator, William "Bill" Schroeter, Samantha Graham, Harold Booth, Angela Huertas, Paul Moeller, John Callum, Sarah Finney, Gordon Brann

3:58 – Garry called the meeting to order.

3:59 – The board reviewed the minutes of 9/16/24. Gary made a motion to approve. Bill 2nd. All in favor.

4:00 – The board reviewed the nonpublic minutes of 9/3/24. Garry made a motion to approve. Bill 2nd. All in favor.

4:01 – Garry presented three timber taxes that had been previously motioned to approve, just needing to be signed.

4:04 – Garry presented the MS-1 to the board. He made a note that the school is still missing some items before we can set a tax rate for the town. The board signed.

4:06 – Garry read a letter asking Sally to pay Stantec. Bill made a motion to sign. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:07 – Garry read a timber intent to cut for Heidi Hathaway. Bill made a motion to accept. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:09 – Garry read a letter from Avitar regarding a change from current use in town. Bill made a motion to accept. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:11 – Harold gave a report on roads in town. They've been rated, rudimentarily, on a scale of 1-10 of which need to be fixed first. Harold also gave a report on his work done on County Farm Rd. Paving of N Shore Rd should be the end of this month.

4:20 – Garry thanked Harold and the highway dept for the work done around town hall.

4:21 – Angela asked about missing stop signs around town. They've been vandalized and stolen.

4:22 – John spoke about putting cameras in the front of town hall so they may watch electioneers while they're near the walkway. He also asked about soundproofing panels for the hall.

4:35 – Garry gave a report on FEMA.

4:46 – John asked about the next school payment that is due.

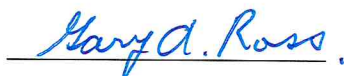
4:47 – Sarah asked about the planning board being paid or volunteer. She also questioned how to get more volunteers and attendance at every meeting. She also asked about putting in a warrant article regarding recording selectboard meetings. She would like to meet with Cathy to get the wording correct.

4:57 – Paul gave a report on Jeremy Williams' building project.

4:58 – Gary made a motion to adjourn. Bill 2nd. All in favor.



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Attendees: Gary Ross, Garry Bator, Samantha Graham, Rhonda King, Ramona Labrie, Harold Booth,
Paul Moeller, Tim Davis, Angela Huertas, Sarah Finney

4:00 – Garry called the meeting to order.

4:01 – Gary made a motion to sign the pistol permit for Angela Huertas. Garry 2nd. All in favor.

4:01 – Gary made a motion to sign the pistol permit for Daniel Freer. Garry 2nd. All in favor.

4:02 – Garry made a motion to sign the intent to cut for Harold Whitehouse on Hemlock Hill Rd. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:03 – Garry read a letter granting the Sno-Riders permission to hold their vintage ride on February 9. Garry made a motion to accept. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:04 – Garry read a letter requesting Sally to pay Avitar for revaluation. Garry made a motion to sign. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:05 – Gary made a motion to sign the minutes from October 7. Garry 2nd. All in favor.

4:06 – Garry presented the warrant for the election to be signed.

4:07 – Angela asked about the payments to Avitar. Garry clarified that it's a monthly payment because of revaluation this year.

4:08 – Rhonda and Garry discussed cybersecurity.

4:10 – Harold presented a quote for the radios for the trucks for \$2,316.48. Garry made a motion to accept. Gary 2nd. All in favor. Discussion followed.


4:17 – Harold discussed gravel on County Farm Rd and the budget for that. Discussion on other roads needing repairs followed. Discussion on gravel on the Town Hall followed. Harold also reported that the furnace is spitting out soot.

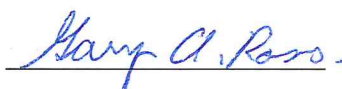
4:25 – Garry reported that United is working on Stage Rd and are being receptive.

4:27 – Tim gave a positive report on the fire station. Everything is set up and ready for the movie night this Friday, the muster this Saturday, and Trunk or Treat on Sunday. Discussion on the fire station budget followed.

4:37 – Ramona asked about the bathrooms in the town hall. Gary reported that they are fixed. There are also multiple projects that will require Connor away from Harold's team tomorrow. Ramona will ask Rhonda to order the solar lights to go around the walkway at Town Hall. Ramona also filed a complaint about the automatic timed lights at town office. She also reported that planning for election is going well.

4:48 – Gary reported that the kiosk for Kylie Tilton has been set up. He also gave an update on the pasture in Thurber Forest; the board just needs to set up some policies and rules. The fire station has been rekeyed and he's working on


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Town Hall. We have not heard back about the fire station grant we applied for. Gary is also looking for some soundproofing panels.

4:54 – Garry laid down the basic plan of what to do with Harold’s rudimentary rating of the paved roads and the 20-year plan.

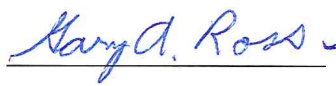
5:00 – Paul gave a report on some new builds in town.

5:03 – Garry spoke about redoing the basement in Town Hall. Gary mentioned speaking with the president of the historical society regarding pieces they could purchase such as display cases. Discussion on the humidity levels and flooding of Town Hall. Garry suggested buying a hygrometer.

5:15 – Gary made a motion to adjourn. Garry 2nd. All in favor.



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Attendees: Gary Ross, Garry Bator, Samantha Graham, Angela Huertas, John Callum, Sarah Finney

4:12 – Garry called the meeting to order.

4:13 – Gary made a motion to accept the 10/21 minutes. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:13 – Garry Bator made a motion to accept the pistol permit for Michael Bosse. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:14 – Garry presented the town's purchasing policies. Signing will be tabled until next meeting to give the board a chance to review.

4:15 – Garry presented Avitar's new contract. Garry made a motion to accept. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:17 – Garry read a bid from Irving for propane and oil. Signing will wait until next meeting to see if the board receives any other companies' bids.

4:19 – Garry read a bond/insurance paper for United Construction. This goes to Eckman Engineering.

4:20 – Garry gave a report that the town is waiting for the SAU to submit their paperwork so we may set our tax rate.

4:21 – Garry gave a shoutout to Tara Gregory and Clint Schultz for their hard work on trunk or treat last weekend. He also gave a report on the fire muster. Gary mentioned that the historical society did well at their bake sale.

4:23 – Garry let the room know that North Shore Rd and Lear Hill Rd are getting ready for paving, set to start on 11/11.

4:24 – The town of Unity has received a partial payment from FEMA for Lear Hill in the amount of approximately \$310 thousand. After paving is complete, we will receive the remaining approximately \$170 thousand. That is also the last project for the 2021 storms, and then we will be able to submit for payment on administrative costs, and then we will be finished with FEMA!

4:26 – The board gave reports on highway work that's been done recently, and that they are planning to be done.

4:29 – Sarah asked about the Thurber Forest pasturing the board had mentioned in previous meetings. Gary explained, and discussion followed.

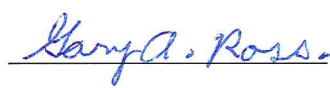
4:32 – Sarah asked about the graffitied signs in town. Gary is working with a company to have the paint removed.

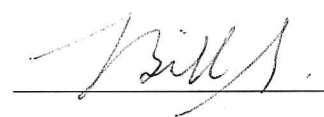
4:34 – Angela asked if the Sheriff's department would break down how many calls and of what kind are done in the Town of Unity each year in their town report letter.

4:37 – John suggested the town look at the deed on the transfer of the property for Thurber Forest pasture, to make sure they understand driveways and accesses. John also reported on a speeder in town recently.

4:43 – Garry made a motion to adjourn. Gary 2nd. All in favor.


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Attendees: Gary Ross, Garry Bator, William "Bill" Schroeter, Samantha Graham, Harold Booth, Ramona Labrie, Kevin Brenker, Tim Davis, Angela Huertas, Sarah Finney, Evelyn Page

4:00 – Garry called the meeting to order.

4:00 – Bill made a motion to accept the 11/4 minutes. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:01 – Garry presented a pistol permit. Garry made a motion to approve. Bill 2nd. All in favor.

4:02 – Garry presented an intent to cut. Garry made a motion to approve. Bill 2nd. All in favor.

4:02 – Garry made a motion to sign a letter to Sally to pay \$4,169 to Avitar for revaluation. Bill 2nd. All in favor

4:03 – Garry made a motion to sign a letter to Sally to pay Carroll Concrete. Bill 2nd. All in favor.

4:03 – Garry presented the yearly contract for Tasco. Bill made a motion to accept. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:04 – Garry presented and read the investment policy for the Town of Unity to assist Sally. Garry made a motion to sign. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:06 – Garry made a motion to readopt the investment policy from 2021. Bill 2nd. All in favor.

4:07 – Garry presented the priority system of paved roads in town receiving work. The town is also going to replace Harold's measuring wheel.

4:09 – Garry and Harold discussed a bid for guardrails for Lear Hill to finish the FEMA work for \$13,612.

4:10 – Garry gave a report that Lear Hill is paved. North Shore will be paved tomorrow, weather permitting.

4:12 – Garry began a discussion on the graffiti that is on some stop signs in town. The town has tried a few solvents to clean them, but they damaged the signs, so the town is now looking for a new solution. Gary is still working with the NH correctional system regarding cleaning advice, and replacement signs if necessary.

4:14 – Garry began a discussion regarding the town budget and the end-of-year processes.

4:15 – Garry and Bill discussed Toys For Tots, which has found a location in Lebanon.

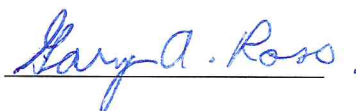
4:16 – Gary gave an update on Thurber Forest and pasturing/agriculture.

4:18 – Harold asked about what kind of winter salt to use on the sidewalks and ramps. He specifically asked about the pet-safe salt. Garry advised to use the regular. He also said North Shore is all set to be paved tomorrow.

4:22 – Kevin and the clerks are going through the final process of the Moose Grant. Garry made a motion to approve and nominate Kevin as the point of contact. Gary 2nd. All in favor. Ramona thanked Kevin for his hard work on the Moose Plate Grant on behalf of the town.



Garry Bator



Gary Ross



William Schroeter

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4:26 – Tim gave a report on calls they attended over the weekend. He also discussed a person filling out paperwork, which they will discuss at a later date.

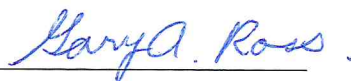
4:28 – Sarah asked about the school pulling out of the SAU. The board has no news on this, other than the warrant article going forward.

4:32 – Garry thanked Harold for the highway's work making sure the town is taken care of. He reported that the town is moving along nicely and as expected.

4:33 – Gary made a motion to adjourn. Bill 2nd. All in favor.



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Attendees: Gary Ross, Garry Bator, William "Bill" Schroeter, Samantha Graham, Ramona Labrie,
Vanessa Keith, Sarah Finney

4:04 – Garry called the meeting to order.

4:05 – Bill made a motion to sign the November 18 minutes. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:06 – Garry presented a pistol permit for Mary Bastian. Garry made a motion to sign. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:07 – Garry presented a timber bill for Sarah Mallon for \$358.35. Bill made a motion to sign. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:08 – Garry presented a letter from UVLSRPC to participate in household hazardous waste collection (things like paint, pesticides, and old gas). This is done every year. The estimated cost is \$2,565. Gary made a motion to accept. Bill 2nd. All in favor. Vanessa helped explain how it works. They are expected to be in Lebanon, New London, and maybe Newport.

4:16 – Garry presented the purchasing, bidding, and debit card policy from last meeting. Bill made a motion to accept. Gary 2nd. All in favor.

4:18 – Garry read two bids for shredding. One is Northeast Record Retention at \$.22 per pound with a minimum of \$175. The other is Secure Shred; price is dependent on the services requested. More research is needed – do they take video, do they have security insurance, do they shred on site, etc.

4:28 – Garry expressed further appreciation for the highway department and gratitude for the work done on Thanksgiving Day during the snowstorm.

4:29 – Garry explained the plans for a cul-de-sac on North Slack Rd.

4:31 – Bill reported that there is a Toys for Tots box in the clerk's office. Any donations must be unwrapped and unopened, please and thank you.

4:32 – Gary gave a report on the sprinkler inspection done on the town building.

4:34 – Samantha gave a report on FEMA.


4:36 – Discussion on Milfoil and Crescent Lake Association.

4:38 – Vanessa gave a report on the Transfer Station. They are closed on Christmas and New Years. She also reported on an employee leaving the transfer station at the new year, and they are hiring.

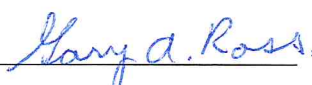
4:42 – Sarah asked about the Facebook livestream.

4:47 – Ramona reiterated the Toys for Tots box in her office. She also reported that they passed the DMV audit.

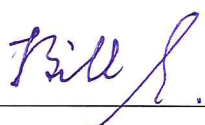
4:49 – Gary made a motion to enter a nonpublic session for personnel/compensation. Bill 2nd. All in favor.



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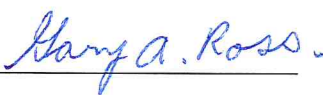
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5:17 – Garry made a motion to adjourn the nonpublic session. Gary 2nd. All in favor.


5:18 – Gary made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Gary 2nd. All in favor.



Garry Bator



Gary Ross



William Schroeter

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Attendees: Gary Ross, Garry Bator, William "Bill" Schroeter, Samantha Graham, Harold Booth, Tim Davis, Angela Huertas, Paul Moeller, Sarah Finney

- 4:00 – Garry called the meeting to order.
- 4:01 – Gary made a motion to accept the 12/2/24 minutes. Bill 2nd. All in favor.
- 4:03 – Garry made a motion to accept the 12/2/24 nonpublic meeting minutes. Gary 2nd. All in favor.
- 4:04 – Garry presented a pistol permit for Levy Stanley. Bill made a motion to accept. Gary 2nd. All in favor.
- 4:05 – Garry read a letter from Avitar. Bill made a motion to accept their findings. Gary 2nd. All in favor.
- 4:08 – Garry made a motion not to lock into a price contract for oil with Irving. Gary 2nd. All in favor.
- 4:09 – Bill talked about some shredding companies. Angela asked if it was a townwide shred or just for the office. The board told her it is just for the office needs at this point.
- 4:13 – Tim talked about the sheetrock in the backroom of the dept. The board gave the FD permission to fix the issue.
- 4:15 – Gary gave an update on the Acworth HMP meeting he and Samantha attended this morning. He also gave an update on Hampshire Fire and Tasco coming in to do their jobs.
- 4:16 – Harold presented a quote for the radios and the chain. He also talked about batteries for the sign.
- 4:17 – Tim gave an update regarding waiting for invoices for his end-of-year budget.
- 4:20 – Garry made a motion to encumber \$1,119.16 to Viking Cives for sanding chains. Bill 2nd. All in favor.
- 4:21 – Garry made a motion to encumber \$2,316.48 to pay R&R communications for the truck radios. Gary 2nd. All in favor.
- 4:22 – Garry made a motion to encumber \$1600 for motor oil and hydraulic oil. Bill 2nd. All in favor.
- 4:22 – Garry made a motion to encumber \$8,300 for the sprinkler system to be repaired of leaks. Bill 2nd. All in favor.
- 4:23 – Garry made a motion to encumber \$3,119.55 for R&R communications out of the emergency management fund for portable radios for the FD. Gary 2nd. All in favor.
- 4:24 – Garry made a motion to add the selectmen as signers for the payroll account. Gary 2nd. All in favor.
- 4:24 – Gary made a motion to encumber \$4,000 out of the clerk's budget for furniture. Garry 2nd. All in favor.
- 4:24 – Garry made a motion to encumber \$30,000 for the North Slack turn around. Gary 2nd. All in favor.
- 4:25 – Garry made a motion to encumber \$18,000 for sand. Bill 2nd. All in favor.


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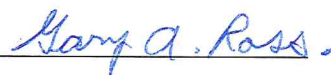
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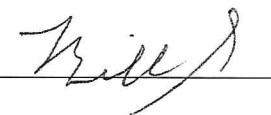
- 4:26 – Garry made a motion to encumber \$20,000 out of the FEMA obligation to pay for the engineering on Stage Rd bridge. Bill 2nd. All in favor.
- 4:27 – Garry made a motion to encumber \$30,000 for the Lear Hill FEMA project. Gary 2nd. All in favor.
- 4:28 – Garry made a motion to encumber \$170,000 to finish the paving on North Shore Rd. Gary 2nd. All in favor.
- 4:30 – Angela asked for an explanation on what encumbering means and where the money goes. Garry explained.
- 4:32 – Paul gave a report on a property on Lake Rd. He also reported that other properties he’s been inspecting have been agreeable.
- 4:39 – Paul opened discussion on the chimney on the highway garage with snow leaning on it.
- 4:44 – Garry made a motion to sign a letter to Sally Teague requesting \$4,169 be sent to Avitar, which should be the final payment for the revaluation.
- 4:45 – Bill made a motion to adjourn. Gary 2nd. All in favor.



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