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SELECTMEN MEETING Minutes

December 3 2024

Selectmen Present: Oren Remick, John Blanchard

Public Present: Merle Jones

The Board of Selectmen meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Oren Remick.

1. **Public Hearing:** Overspending due to July 10 storm. Diane explained that the unexpected storm that occurred on July 10, 2024 caused a lot of damage to several roads within the Town of Monroe. The July 10th storm was approved for federal funding due to the extensive damage. The Town of Monroe experienced damages that cost the town nearly \$500,000. The budget that was approved in March did not include funding for those damages as they were unexpected. This year, the Town has expenses of \$338,823.96 thus far for those damages and thus has overspent the budget. The Town will be requesting the State to approve the over expenditure amount – probably an amount less than what we have spent on the storm expenses as we have some funds left from the regular budget. The Town hopes to use the existing surplus fund to pay for the over expenditure. FEMA is expected to reimburse the Town approximately 75% of the entire amount. Once we receive those FEMA funds, they will be returned to our surplus fund for future needs. Diane asked if there were any questions. There were no questions.

John Blanchard moved to approve the over expenditure and send the request to the State for approval. Oren Remick seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

2. Approval of the November 26, 2024 Selectmen Meeting Minutes – postponed until the next meeting.
3. Public - none
4. Discussion items.
 - a. Discussion of the Grafton County has announced a portion of the ARPA funds took place. This needs to be submitted by December 13. More will be done next week..
5. Items for Approval - all items were approved.
 - a. Payroll Manifests
 - b. Accounts Payable Manifest – General Fund/Water Fund
 - c. Building Permit
 - d. Driveway Permit Application

Oren moved to adjourn the meeting, and, John seconded the motion, and the meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Diane Gibson Smith
Administrative Assistant