



# TOWN OF SEBEC

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## OPEN TOWN MEETING MINUTES Special Town Meeting Monday, December 16, 2024 – 6:30PM

**Gail Januskiewicz, Deputy Town Clerk, opened the meeting at 6:35PM and asked for a nomination for moderator**

**Article 1:** To choose a Moderator to preside at the meeting – **Nomination of Gerald Nessmann by Gail Rush. Nominations cease. 2<sup>nd</sup> Emery Pelletier, no discussion, all in favor.**

**Article 2:** To see if the town will authorize the Select Board to allow the funds received from the sale of (1) 1192 E-One Pumper Firetruck (\$6,000.00) to be deposited into the Firetruck Reserve Account. **Motion was made by Emery Pelletier, 2<sup>nd</sup> Barbara Mauzy, no discussion, all in favor.**

**Article 3:** To see if the town will authorize the Select Board to accept gifts, donations, bequests, and grants on behalf of the Town of Sebec, should such funds become available; in compliance with 30-A M.R.S. §5652, which authorizes the Select Board to both accept and expend both grants and donations (grants are to be used solely for the purpose stated in the award letter). **Motion was made by Emery Pelletier, 2<sup>nd</sup> Barbara Mauzy, no discussion, all in favor.**

**Article 4:** To see if the town will accept a \$10,000.00 grant from State Farm exclusively Fire Department equipment purchases. **Motion was made by Emery Pelletier, 2<sup>nd</sup> Marcel Scuderi, no discussion, all in favor.**

**Article 5:** To see if the town will authorize the Select Board to pay off the current Firetruck Lease to Gorham Bank:

Total Payoff by December 31, 2024:	\$95,488.50
Town Meeting Article 27 8/12/24 Lease Payment	<u>- 18,440.26</u>
Remaining Payoff from Town Surplus	\$77,048.24

Lease-Purchase Notes:

- There are no pre-payment penalties.
- The Town of Sebec will save \$15,176.70 by paying this lease off early.

**Motion was made by Emery Pelletier, 2<sup>nd</sup> Marcel Scuderi, no discussion, all in favor.**

Select Board  
Walter Emmons – Chair  
Wayne Nason  
Donald Rush

Town Clerk, Registrar of Voters,  
Deputy Tax Collector/Treasurer  
& 911 Addressing Officer

Sara Torbett

Treasurer, Tax Collector  
& Deputy Clerk

Gail Januskiewicz

Deputy Clerk &  
Deputy Registrar of Voters

Tracey MacPheters

**Article 6:** To see if the town will authorize the Select Board to appropriate the following surplus funds accordingly:

- \$255,000.00 to be assigned exclusively for the construction of a new Fire Department Building
- \$160,000.00 to be assigned exclusively for road repairs and paving

**Motion was made by Emery Pelletier, 2<sup>nd</sup> Marcel Scuderi.**

**Discussion:**

- **Road repairs:** Eric Weidman asked what the repairs would be. Emery said, River Rd., North Rd., Downs Rd., and Sands Rd.
- **Firestation:**
  - Eric Weidman asked about access, to/from; both Sebec Village Rd. and North Rd. was the answer
  - Broken dry hydrant in the Village, Mike said they will look at it. Stephen Hellenge stated he is looking into a grant for dry hydrants on camp roads.
  - Mike Harris stated that when the fire station is built it will benefit all because the ISO inspection will be better, lessen homeowners insurance.
  - Mike Harris explained this is the beginning plan: a commercial kitchen, another bathroom, larger rooms, will be added as well as use for a shelter in the future.
  - Mike Harris said he spent the \$10,000 grant on gear.
  - What can be saved from the old building: Mike Harris said, generator and compressor.
  - Eric Wiedman asked about putting in a water tank to fill the trucks, Mike Harris said they hadn't thought about it because they were planning on using water from the well.
  - Wayne Nason asked Gail Januskiewicz, Treasurer to share about the surplus funds and why we are assigning them. Gail explained the auditor's request to do so.

**Emery Pelletier made a motion to adjourn. Marcel Scuderi seconded. All in favor.**

Meeting adjourned at 7:01PM

Gail Januskiewicz  
Deputy Town Clerk