

**Minutes of Selectboard Meeting
August 7, 2024**

Present at meeting: Selectboard members: Aaron Korzun, Marc Cimonetti, Francis Wyatt. Town Clerk: Rebecca Rice. Treasurer: Linda McGuire. Selectboard Interim Administrative Assistants: Laura Black, Nancy Bell.

Members of the public: Judith Thomas. Linda Fontana. Francis Kinney.

The meeting was convened at 6:30 PM

Agenda: Motion made by A. Korzun to follow the agenda. F. Wyatt seconded. All in favor, motion approved.

Tax Rate: Aaron Korzun made a motion to accept the tax rates as calculated by the Treasurer Linda McGuire of the following rates:

Homestead Rates: Town: 0.6172 School: 1.6644 Appropriations: 0.1249 Local Agreement: 0.0016 Total: 2.4082

Non-Resident Rates: Town: 0.6172 School: 1.7742 Appropriations: 0.1249 Local Agreement: 0.0016 Total: 2.5180

Seconded by Marc Cimonetti. Approved.

Aaron Korzun made a motion to not assess penalties for late homestead declarations. M. Cimonetti seconded. Approved.

Russellville Water Damage: Linda Fontana reported that since the July 2023 flooding there has been additional drainage coming onto her property and causing issues. She believes that this is a Town issue and would like for the water to be diverted away from her property. We discussed potential mitigation. The Selectboard will work with the Road Commissioner to see what can be done.

Pre-qualifying for Hazard Mitigation Funds: Nancy Bell reported on the Mountain School Road project (dam removal and box culvert on Northam Rd). She's looking into various funding sources in addition to a FEMA Hazard Mitigation grant.

IT Consulting: Met with Jonathan Gicewicz of JEG DESIGN INC. Discussed potentially getting a Shrewsbury domain and have emails that use that domain.

For online meetings Jonathan recommends using a Youtube channel, which is free. Can then have a link for people to view the meeting.

For digital document storage Jonathan recommends storing it on Google Drive.

New Business/Open to the Public: Francis (Frank) Kinney is a new resident in Shrewsbury. He's concerned with the frequent power outages on a section of Northam Road.

Judith Thomas is concerned with privacy issues from drones. She's had a drone around her house, but doesn't know whose it is. She would like for Shrewsbury to require registration for drones flown in Shrewsbury.

Review Minutes: A. Korzun made a motion to accept the 7/17/2024 Selectboard meeting minutes. Seconded by M. Cimonetti. Approved.

Review Orders: F. Wyatt made a motion to approve Selectboard Orders #8 for \$46,597.70 and Road Orders #8 for \$16,313.38. Seconded by M. Cimonetti. Approved.

Adjourned at 8:55 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Francis Wyatt

These minutes are unofficial until approved by the Selectboard at the next regularly scheduled meeting.