

## SELECTMEN'S MEETING– October 7, 2024

Present: Chris Ellms, Dick Bielefield  
Jennifer Gaudette

Guests: Judy & Larry Sawyer, Fred & Claire Von Karls, Paul Reid, John Barth, Brian Beaulieu,  
Gary Way, Hayley Droppert, Dan Kenerson, Roslind Page

Correspondence was read and acted upon.

The board will not meet and the town offices will be closed on Monday, October 14, 2024.

MR. ELLMS made a motion to approve the minutes, of September 30, 2024 seconded by MR. BIELEFIELD. The motion passed unanimously.

Jennifer noted a change made to the Tri Town Transfer Station Agreement and noted that the Sugar Hill percentage has been adjusted from 29% to 32%.

Chris gave an update on the Wetlands Violation at 475 Jesseman Road. The DES did come up but no Sugar Hill Conservation Commission member was present. The property owner has been sited although the violation was caused by a resident with an easement on the property.

The board signed the MS-1 Valuation of Property with the new values. \$174,268,324.

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Margo had followed up with Carol Miller the Director of Broadband Initiatives for the National Collaborative for Digital Equity about the question from last week on residents missing out on broadband registration. Consolidated had previously stated that everyone would be connected. Carol felt that the town is doing all we can at this point by keeping track of anyone who cannot register and by having the registration information on the town website.

Dan Kenerson the Sugar Hill representative to the Colley Jericho Town Forest and Rosalind Page from ACT met with the board to discuss the parking area in Easton for the town forest that will be accessed off Trumpet Round Road. The grant that ACT received paid for the design of the new area. They anticipate the project being built in 2026 as money needs to be raised for the project. The view from the kiosk will be improved as some clearing will take place. Sugar Hill will plow the parking area and turn around. There is no town permitting required. There was question regarding if the highway department does any salting to the dirt roads and it is not believed that they do.

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\$174,268,324. (old)

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With no more business before the Board, MR. ELLMS made a motion to adjourn, seconded by MR. BIELEFIELD, the meeting was adjourned at 6:00 PM. The next regular scheduled meeting is Monday October 21, 2024 at 5:00 pm at the Crapo Building.

Respectfully submitted:

Jennifer Gaudette  
Town Administrator