

Selectmen Meeting Minutes
January 24, 2024

Selectman Norman Beckwith called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

Calling of the roll:

Selectmen: Norman Beckwith, David Thorp, Bill Nye

Secretary: Carolyn Nye

Piscataquis Emergency Management Agency: Jaeme Dugan

Guest: Floyd Harford

Norman made a motion to amend the meeting minutes from January 10, 2024. Removed a line from the dog officer discussion. Removed the discussion on the CC Road.

Jaeme Dugan from the Piscataquis Emergency Management Agency was present to explain to the selectmen how to report and turn in any damage that the town occurred during the December 18th storm along with the other 2 storms. She said the State was waiting for mitigation grant money to be approved by the President of the United States. Jaeme explained that the towns are to get all paperwork and pictures of the damaged areas into the county. There is no time limit. Once the Declaration is approved it will take 18 months to 24 months for the money to be distributed to the towns. The money will only be for the damage that occurred, not for bigger projects. There will be other grant opportunities for bigger projects and the towns will have to pay a percentage. David asked if flooding occurred from private property onto the right of way would the town be reimbursed for that. Jaeme said if any damages beyond the right of way would be the responsibility of the property owner. Jaeme told the selectmen if they had any other questions or concerns, they could reach out to her by email.

Jaeme presented the selectmen and gave a small presentation on how to use an AED defibrillator that was donated by the Piscataquis Emergency Management Agency. She recommended that anyone who is a town officer or a town official take a First Aid/CPR class.

Norman is still looking into getting something to put over the handrails for the Town Office and Town Hall. He is also still looking for plates to put on the bottom of the doors at the Town Hall and Town Office.

The selectmen discussed having a meeting with the Town Attorney regarding the Tax Acquired Property and what the proper procedure needs to be followed since the new law has changed.

Norman adjourned the meeting at 7:25pm.

Submitted by,
Carolyn Nye