

**Town of Benton  
Select Board Meeting  
Monday, July 22, 2024**

**Select Board Members:** William R. Darcy, Chair; Gina Elliott and Kimberli Carpenter

Also Present: Dwight Swauger, Treasurer and School Board Chair; Michael Stiebitz, Town Clerk and Tax Collector; Joe Boutin, Jr., road contractor; Joseph Boutin III, School Board Member; and Greg Mathieson, State Representative candidate.

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Chairman Darcy called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

Member Carpenter moved approval of the July 8, 2024, meeting minutes, seconded by Chair Darcy, and approved.

Treasurer Swauger reported that the Woodsville Guarantee Savings Bank operating account balance was \$67,469.18, and the NH PDIP account had \$467,576.20. The Board signed checks prepared by the Treasurer.

School Board Chair Swauger reported no news on the amount of money SAU23 would withdraw from the expendable trust fund.

Member Elliott reported that the Finn family donated \$200 to the town in appreciation for the recent 100<sup>th</sup> birthday celebration for Dan Finn.

There was a discussion of the need for a mailbox for the Town Hall at the insistence of the new postmaster in Woodsville.

Joe Boutin reported that he would be starting working on Tunnel Stream Road on the week of August 12 and that paving work is scheduled to commence in the first half of September.

On the Mountain View Cemetery Joe Boutin noted he had bushwacked the newly surveyed area and that Mike Stiebitz has pins to mark the borders of all the gravesites.

The meeting adjourned at 6:52 PM.