

**Town of Bradford
Board of Selectmen Minutes
@Bradford Community Center Building
Monday, January 22, 2024 @ 5:30pm**

Item 1. Open Meeting. Chairman Hanson opened the meeting at 5:32PM.

Item 2. Executive Session: 1 M.R.S.A. 405 6(A) PERSONNEL ISSUES:

A. Contract Negotiations with Town Manager Candidate.

Chairman Hanson made a motion and Selectman Oakes 2nd to go into executive session at 5:33PM under 1 MRSA 405 6 (A) for contract negotiations with Town Manager Candidate Christopher Reardon. All in favor.

Chairman Hanson made a motion and Selectman Oakes 2nd to contract with Christopher Reardon for \$55,000 annually, with a one-year contract. All in favor.

Item 3. Budget Workshop. Board of Selectmen reviewed Manager’s proposed numbers for Admin, and the Fire Chief’s proposed numbers for Fire Department. Chairman Hanson informed the Board that he had been contacted by Doug Ames regarding future road grading. After discussion, it was felt that the Town should not limit the grading to one contractor – to use the most available contractor when grading is needed. Chairman Hanson also inquired if brush cutting should be considered, at this time. There are two contractors that provide such services, BJ Higgins and Billy Lundin. Chairman Hanson made a motion and Selectman Surette 2nd to hire BJ Higgins for 30 hours at \$135 an hour for brush cutting on the LaGrange Road. Three in favor, Selectman Oakes and Selectman Nevells opposed. Chairman Hanson has started research on replacing or repairing the sprinkler system water tank. He has spoken with Greg at Amtech and was told it is a minimum of a \$30,000 repair – if it’s a 10,000-gallon tank. Recommendation is to drain and coat the inside to seal the leaks.

Item 4. Adjourn. Selectman Surette made a motion and Selectman Oakes 2nd to adjourn. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Lois A. Jones
Town Manager

Approved on _____, 2024 by:

Chairman Errol Hanson

Julie McCarthy

Edward Nevells

Levi Surette

Carlene Oakes