

**Town of St. Albans
Selectboard Meeting Minutes
Monday, January 23rd, 2023
8:30 a.m.**

On Monday, January 23rd, 2023 at 8:30 a.m., the Town of St. Albans Selectboard met at Town Hall.

Officials and Staff: Chair Jonathan Giroux, Vice Chair Bryan DesLauriers, Brendan Deso, Jack Brigham, Jeff Sanders, Town Manager Carrie Johnson, Town Clerk Anna Bourdon, and Executive Assistance Jenn Gray.

Public in Attendance: None.

Public Participation via Zoom: None.

J. Giroux continued the Selectboard meeting from Wednesday, January 18th at 8:35 a.m.

Fiscal Year 2024 Budget & Ballot Articles

C. Johnson explained some of the changes to the final budget. Final expense number is \$6,179,458, with a change of \$877,771.

After discussion about Article 4, adding \$50,000 to the fire department reserve fund, the Board agreed to the wording in Article 4 and approved the fiscal year 2024 budget.

MOTION: J. Brigham made a motion to approve the Fiscal Year 2024 Budget in the amount of \$6,179,458. Seconded by J. Sanders. All in favor, none opposed, motion carried.

Town Meeting Day Warning

MOTION: J. Brigham made a motion to approve the 2023 Town Meeting Day warning as presented. Seconded by B. DesLauriers. All in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.

VTrans – Route 36

C. Johnson went over the negotiation points with VTrans with the Selectboard. These negotiations are taking place in preparation of the Town to assuming ownership of Route 36 from Adams Street to the beginning of Black Bridge.

1. Paving frequency: The Town requests the road be paved by 2032 or earlier and at least every 15 years.
2. Intersection improvements: The Town requests the intersection of VT Route 36 & Georgia Shore Road be surveyed to identify right of ways for future walking infrastructure.
3. Intersection improvements: The Town requests the intersection of VT. Route 36 and Georgia Shore Road be updated to a four-way stop intersection.
4. Parking: The Town would like parallel parking spaces be constructed across from the Bay Store/Creemee stand.
5. Reimbursement rate: The Town requests reimbursement rate of \$14,6000 a mile instead of standard VTrans rate of \$11,3213/mile.
6. Stormwater: The Town requests a stormwater evaluation summary.

MOTION: J. Brigham made a motion to authorize Town Manager Carrie Johnson to enter into negotiations with VTrans to include the negotiation points listed above. Seconded by B. Deso. All in favor, none opposed, motion carried.

Adjournment

MOTION: B. Deso made a motion to adjourn the Selectboard meeting to 8:54 a.m. Seconded by B. DesLauriers. All in favor, none opposed, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Jenn Gray Executive Assistant