

**Select board Meeting Minutes
Nobleboro Town Office Meeting Room
April 26, 2023 @ 6:00 pm**

Select Board members present: Dick Spear and Richard Powell. Jon Chadwick, absent. Staff present: Michelle Cameron - Administrative Assistant to the Select Board. Nate House – Broadband Committee. Minutes transcribed by Michelle Cameron

OPEN MEETING: Spear opened the meeting at 5:55 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: NONE

MINUTES: Approve 4/12 & 4/19 meeting minutes: **On motion Powell/Spear moved to approve the April 12th and 19th meeting minutes. Vote 2-0**

SCHOOL & TOWN WARRANTS:

1. Town Payroll Warrant #34: \$13,780.38
2. School Payroll Warrant #35: \$64,402.92
3. School AP Warrants #36: \$16,255.93
4. Town AP Warrant #37: \$41,016.73

On motion Powell/Spear moved to approve all warrants as written. Vote 2-0

SIGN WARRANTS: 30-33

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Fire Chief Richard Genthner – Grant opportunity:** Genthner asked this item to be tabled: Select Board table agenda item.
2. **Nate House – Broadband Update:** House updated the Board on where things stand after Nobleboro was not approved for grant funding for Broadband. The Broadband Committee is working to see if the Town can get into the next round of funding. House asked if the Board would hold the ARPA grant funds allocated for Broadband. Spear answered, yes, they would hold them. Powell stated that according to the US Department of the Treasury final rule, the funds must be obligated by December 31, 2024, and expended by December 31, 2026. Powell said that if the town was not going to be approved for Broadband grant funding, the Committee would need to let the town know well before December 2024 so the Board could plan to use the ARPA funds another way. Discussion ensued about which towns were included in the current round of Broadband grant funding.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS: Powell mentioned that the equipment at the fish stream is being geared up for the season. The alewives will be showing up soon. Spear stated the Jon Chadwick will be finishing the draft snowplow contract when he returns, and the hot top bids were now available.

OTHER BUSINESS: NONE

OLD BUSINESS: NONE

ADJOURNMENT: On motion Powell/Spear moved to adjourn at 6:08 p.m.