



**TOWN OF THOMPSON**  
**Board of Selectmen- Minutes**  
**Tuesday, January 16, 2024**  
**Merrill Seney Room, Town Hall and via ZOOM**

- I. The call to order by First Selectman Amy St Onge was at 7:00 PM, with all 3 Selectmen present  
Roll Call: First Selectman Amy St Onge, Selectmen Ken Beausoleil and Susanne Witkowski.  
Thompson Congregational Church representative Bruce Hall and Guests Lyn Smith and Bill Champagne. Town Departments, Members of Boards & Commissions. Members of the public in person and via Zoom, Recording Secretary Dotti Durst.
- II. The pledge of allegiance was recited.
- III. Approval of Minutes
  - A. **Motion A. St Onge seconded by S. Witkowski to approve the minutes of the 01-02-2024 BOS Regular Meeting with adjustments carried unanimously:**  
**\*\*Agenda item # VII: ...the vehicle currently in use is a 1986 ~~1996~~ ...**  
**\*\* Agenda item # VIII (Appointments/ZBA Alternate) K. Beausoleil abstained, *noting that normally the BOS fills a vacancy based on the recommendation of the political party of the now-absent member.***
- IV. Correspondence
  - A. Chamber of Commerce Information: included an annual report and call to the annual meeting, as well as the upcoming Business After Hours
  - B. A memo from TEEG Board of Directors thanking the Town for on-going support from all the residents of Thompson
- V. Selectmens' Comments:
  - S. Witkowski offered a Happy 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday to Registrar of Voters Eileen Witkowski
  - K. Beausoleil noted the DPW is out tonight and tomorrow taking care of the roads as another storm approaches. They are very much appreciated.
  - A. St Onge noted the 2024-25 budget workshops will begin February 7 @ 6 PM with the BOF participating. The BOE has begun their process, with meetings available via Zoom.
  - Salt Storge and EMS plans: erroneous information is being circulated. \*\*\$1.3M in ARPA funds are set aside for the project. \*\*The quote that came in is far higher than anticipated.
  - \*\* The ambulance aspect is on hold. \*\* Other bids will now be sought. \*\* The Salt Storage facility upgrade is imperative to protect the water supply. K. Beausoleil asked Brian Santos (Building Committee) for the schematics and plans, even if notcomplete.
- VI. Citizens' Comments: - Valerie Clark, Alm Road, asked to publicly compliment DPW Director Joe Tkacik for adeptness in making decisions and his negotiating skills.
- VII. Thompson Public Schools Track RFP – Award: per their January 10, 2024 memo, the unanimous recommendation of the Building Committee is Mountain View Landscape and Lawncare for their bid in the amount of \$1,484,250 for the school track replacement project. K. Beausoleil noted that the bonding has to be in place, and that typically that firm handles setting up the paperwork. **Motion K. Beausoleil seconded by A St Onge to accept the recommendation of the Building Committee as presented to award the bid to Mountain View Landscape and Lawncare in the amount of \$1,484,250 for the reconstruction of the Thompson School Track carried unanimously.**

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Respectfully submitted by Dorothy Durst, Recording Secretary *Dorothy Durst*

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