

Selectboard Meeting

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Transcript

00:01 - 00:04

Town Hall

This conference will now be recorded.

00:04 - 00:05

Town Hall

All right.

00:05 - 00:07

Town Hall

Let's get going here.

00:07 - 00:08

Town Hall

Peggy will be here shortly.

00:08 - 00:09

Town Hall

She went home to feed her dog.

00:19 - 00:20

Town Hall

So we're...

00:20 - 00:21

Town Hall

What?

00:21 - 00:22

Town Hall

Peggy's back.

00:22 - 00:22

Town Hall

Okay.

00:24 - 00:26

Town Hall

So starting with the mullen roll.

00:29 - 00:29

Town Hall

Let me go.

00:30 - 00:31

Town Hall

Do we have something in there?

00:33 - 00:35

Town Hall

I think she didn't put it on.

00:35 - 00:37

Town Hall

Everybody must have got it.

00:43 - 00:48

Town Hall

The only thing I've seen is on the mocked up wall that they've set up.

00:48 - 00:49

Town Hall

Oh, it's there?

00:49 - 00:50

Town Hall

There's another one.

00:51 - 00:55

Town Hall

So the conservation position is like this there.

00:57 - 01:01

Town Hall

And the planning board clearly wants to do this.

01:01 - 01:07

Town Hall

We lost where to find to it apparently doesn't really apply to the school They were only hearing the oldest.

01:10 - 01:12

Town Hall

The zoning board is the other.

01:15 - 01:28

Town Hall

Which is this I don't know what their technical term is the technical name is it more of appeals is I think it's just the only So Joe is it something that you consider for the CBA.

01:35 - 01:38

JOE BOUDREAU

It doesn't make any difference to me.

01:38 - 01:48

JOE BOUDREAU

We don't record our meetings, so that could be a problem, but we're lucky if we meet once a year, so we'll deal with that when that time comes.

01:49 - 01:51

Town Hall

Actually, wouldn't this be for hearings?

01:51 - 01:52

Town Hall

Yeah, it's for hearings.

01:52 - 02:02

Town Hall

So if you had a hearing, like they had a hearing when Liston's wanted to approve its reconstruction, so that was a formal hearing and that's what this is.

02:02 - 02:02

JOE BOUDREAU

In reference to.

02:03 - 02:05

JOE BOUDREAU

But we take minutes while we don't record them.

02:06 - 02:07

Town Hall

When you have hearings?

02:08 - 02:11

Town Hall

Yes, we have it in the past, true.

02:12 - 02:16

Town Hall

We never did either, the Conservation Commission, but now we do because it's a big deal.

02:21 - 02:22

[speaker unknown]

Right.

02:22 - 02:28

Town Hall

But typically you don't, in which case I assume the rule just wouldn't apply, Right,

there's no remedy.

02:28 - 02:49

Town Hall

It basically somebody's not at the hearing they can't vote on that Like I think it really No, you know, it's not Presently not minutes But it also really I think only applies when there are multiple sessions so that's also not common Thankfully.

02:54 - 02:58

Town Hall

So I mean is there any reason not to put this on the tummy?

02:58 - 03:01

Town Hall

Have you written the article or how long would it be?

03:01 - 03:06

Town Hall

Yes, it's in the article, the page that has all the articles on it.

03:07 - 03:07

Town Hall

Yeah.

03:08 - 03:09

Town Hall

Check the spelling of Mullen.

03:09 - 03:11

Town Hall

Is it L-O-I-N or L-O-E-N?

03:11 - 03:12

Town Hall

I-n.

03:13 - 03:17

Town Hall

And is it just Board of Appeals, not Zoning Board of Appeals?

03:17 - 03:19

Town Hall

It's in our...

03:19 - 03:21

Town Hall

It says Board of Appeals.

03:21 - 03:22

Town Hall

Excellent.

03:23 - 03:25

Town Hall

Everybody calls it the CBA.

03:25 - 03:26

Town Hall

Yeah, they do.

03:26 - 03:27

Town Hall

What about Zoning Board?

03:27 - 03:28

Town Hall

It is about Zoning.

03:29 - 03:31

Town Hall

So, where do I have it?

03:32 - 03:34

Town Hall

It's in this highway...

03:34 - 03:34

Town Hall

Highway article.

03:34 - 03:35

Town Hall

Highway article.

03:36 - 03:37

Town Hall

That's the top one.

03:37 - 03:39

Town Hall

That contains it.

03:40 - 03:42

Town Hall

I put them all in one place so it would be easier.

03:42 - 03:42

Town Hall

Yep.

03:42 - 03:44

Town Hall

That didn't work.

03:45 - 03:47

Town Hall

Well, for everyone but you, I didn't want it for you.

03:50 - 03:51

Town Hall

All right.

03:52 - 03:57

Town Hall

So, does somebody want to make a motion to put this on the loaner, please?

03:58 - 03:58

Town Hall

Sure.

03:58 - 04:07

Town Hall

I will move that we add the article on the Mullen Rule to the Annual Town Meeting Warrant.

04:08 - 04:08

Town Hall

Second.

04:08 - 04:17

Town Hall

Okay, now is there any discussion everybody reason not to do this sir, okay all favor.

04:21 - 04:24

[speaker unknown]

You think the.

04:27 - 04:30

Town Hall

Various boards should go to recommend or not.

04:33 - 04:40

Town Hall

The conservation already endorsed the idea Have you actually did you formally vote on it?

04:41 - 04:44

Town Hall

Yeah, okay I don't think so.

04:45 - 04:48

Town Hall

Are you meeting before that?

04:49 - 04:50

Town Hall

We meet on the 30th soon.

04:51 - 04:55

Town Hall

Okay, so maybe you want to send a link for getting it on the...

04:55 - 04:58

Town Hall

It doesn't have to be on there, but you can at least say it.

04:58 - 04:59

Town Hall

Wow, you made it.

05:00 - 05:01

Town Hall

Is everything under control?

05:02 - 05:03

Town Hall

Now it is.

05:03 - 05:04

Town Hall

Define control.

05:05 - 05:06

Town Hall

His hair is out of control.

05:07 - 05:07

Town Hall

Yeah.

05:09 - 05:09

Town Hall

Is it bad?

05:09 - 05:10

Town Hall

Are you okay?

05:11 - 05:11

Town Hall

Yeah.

05:11 - 05:11

Town Hall

It is bad?

05:11 - 05:46

Town Hall

Was a outdoor boiler exploded burning down the entire woodshed with all the wood inside had propane tanks blown up inside oil like one fuel storage container was in there that heated up extended into a week old camper took that and we were able to stop it before it got to the house and took the garage it did take the garage it did not it took the sheet metal around the garage put the insulation and fire retardant material inside stopped it for the heat from transferring.

05:47 - 06:05

Town Hall

We had, it was me for a while, then Huntington, Chesterfield.

06:11 - 06:13

Town Hall

That's officially back in service as of today.

06:15 - 06:20

Town Hall

So I was dealing with that before today.

06:21 - 06:31

Town Hall

We had the inspectors come certify the truck, and I had just to certify the truck, they need water to the stick, so they can pressure test it.

06:31 - 06:42

Town Hall

And so I had the engine out this afternoon to supply water to it, so they could pressure test it, just put the engine back away, filled up with water, went to get the ladder truck to put that away.

06:43 - 06:49

Town Hall

And the tone came out, so I left the ladder truck in the parking lot, hopped back in the engine, and went straight to the fire.

06:50 - 06:58

Town Hall

So I pulled the line off the engine, attacked the fire, started that, all came in with the tanker, gave that line to Paul.

06:58 - 07:03

Town Hall

I grabbed another line off the tanker, got the pump going on that, started attacking the fire on the other side.

07:04 - 07:07

Town Hall

Kevin Porter showed up, passed that line off to him.

07:07 - 07:20

Town Hall

Our engine doesn't hold that much water, so I pulled the other line off the tanker, went back around to the side where Paul was, and started the attack on the camper because it then had spread to the camper and took the camper.

07:21 - 07:31

Town Hall

And Paul ended up running out of water in the engine, so he went and got the guys back, though, to start pulling apart the wood pile that he had that was burning on fire so we could put that out.

07:32 - 07:35

Town Hall

So you aren't able to draw from the pond that's right there?

07:36 - 07:50

Town Hall

Cuff lid takes a lot of people and other trucks and when other departments got there they were pulling water from the pond and supplying it up to the engines at the end of the driveway that were pumping it up to us.

07:50 - 07:51

Town Hall

What house is that?

07:53 - 07:53

Town Hall

Mendelsohn House.

07:55 - 07:57

Town Hall

It's the house just above.

07:57 - 07:58

Town Hall

Isn't it?

07:58 - 07:59

Town Hall

It's just above Chuckle Brook.

07:59 - 08:01

Town Hall

Yeah.

08:08 - 08:20

Town Hall

It's a long driveway with trees on both sides, there's the chocolate barn right close to the road it's the next driveway And did it start as a Purgated burn.

08:21 - 08:53

Town Hall

No So the what we're talking with the fire marshal about is the guy we thought the boiler was running so people run me around the hot water for their house it wasn't running but since it wasn't running and heat causing expansion the fans and blowers weren't moving the water so it heated up and exploded and ignited the ash or whatever that was in there and started burning everything.

08:53 - 08:54

Town Hall

Wow.

08:55 - 08:55

Town Hall

Yikes.

08:55 - 08:56

Town Hall

So what do you mean it wasn't running?

08:57 - 08:59

Town Hall

So there was no fire in the firebox.

08:59 - 09:00

Town Hall

Okay.

09:00 - 09:01

Town Hall

Does that happen often?

09:01 - 09:07

Town Hall

I guess it is a common thing with the outdoor boilers, which was my learning experience today.

09:07 - 09:15

Town Hall

Because I've I've seen that where the boilers will blow up and then it'll blow the fire out inside.

09:17 - 09:26

Town Hall

Yeah, so it was a very close wood structure to the furnace itself and And then all the wood that they had inside burned to a crisp.

09:30 - 09:34

Town Hall

So it blew up, what heated it up to blow up?

09:35 - 09:39

Town Hall

So it already had the ambient temperature and then the ambient temperature outside.

09:42 - 09:43

Town Hall

Just expansion?

09:44 - 09:44

Town Hall

Okay.

09:46 - 09:46

Town Hall

And ashes.

09:47 - 09:52

Town Hall

So they're supposed to have some sort of a relief valve on those things, I would just think.

09:53 - 10:24

Town Hall

No idea usually for like the water there should be but for what exactly blue and how it took off I don't know that's the fire marshal yeah investigating it well thank you for the report so with bad news as long as you're here before I forget the ambulance people are waiting for you to pay your bill for the waiting for Mike to pay his bill?

10:25 - 10:29

Town Hall

Yeah, with the frame, it took a first responder, of course, down there.

10:29 - 10:30

Town Hall

Yes.

10:30 - 10:31

Town Hall

And so nobody's paid.

10:32 - 10:32

Town Hall

All right.

10:32 - 10:33

Town Hall

I have the invoice.

10:33 - 10:33

Town Hall

I forgot to bring it.

10:33 - 10:37

Town Hall

Yep, if you want to email that to Mike to take care of it.

10:37 - 10:38

Town Hall

All right.

10:38 - 10:41

Town Hall

They have multiple times, but it's not going anywhere.

10:41 - 10:42

Town Hall

I'll give Mike a call as well.

10:44 - 10:45

Town Hall

Was he around?

10:46 - 10:47

Town Hall

He wasn't around today.

10:47 - 10:48

Town Hall

He's back from vacation.

10:49 - 10:50

Town Hall

He was at a meeting last night.

10:50 - 10:52

Town Hall

But probably in Pittsburgh.

10:53 - 10:56

Town Hall

Yeah, probably in Pittsburgh for work since he was gone for the week.

10:57 - 10:59

Town Hall

Okay, back to the mulling rule.

11:03 - 11:06

Town Hall

So why don't we also take the vote to recommend?

11:07 - 11:08

Town Hall

Or do we wait till next week?

11:09 - 11:09

Town Hall

We can wait till next week.

11:09 - 11:11

Town Hall

We can wait until we have a whole bunch of votes.

11:12 - 11:14

Town Hall

All right, all right, we're done with that.

11:14 - 11:21

Town Hall

So moving on to new highway garage article that Joe has penned a draft of.

11:25 - 11:31

Town Hall

I was asking him before the meeting, why he felt he needed to include the part in the

middle, essentially have done.

11:34 - 11:46

Town Hall

We've performed the feasibility study for construction, reconstruction and renovation, assessing current facilities and determining space requirements, evaluating the current site.

11:46 - 11:48

Town Hall

So that piece has already been done.

11:48 - 11:51

Town Hall

So, I'm not sure we really need to do it again.

11:55 - 12:07

Town Hall

You think it's helpful to have that language in there just in case we need to do more study once we find, if we find a suitable site that's different than we've examined, then I guess it can't hurt.

12:08 - 12:11

Town Hall

I still want to lead people to believe that we've already spent money on a study.

12:12 - 12:12

Town Hall

Right.

12:12 - 12:16

Town Hall

It was ARCA-funded, but it was 29 grand, almost 30 grand.

12:16 - 12:17

Town Hall

I don't know if that's the right one.

12:21 - 12:23

Town Hall

And the question is, how much money do we need?

12:23 - 12:26

Town Hall

We don't have a sign-up.

12:26 - 12:27

Town Hall

Yeah.

12:30 - 12:37

Town Hall

The person already thinking about this, but the budget amount was a mind-blower to a lot of people.

12:38 - 13:03

Town Hall

So I'm not sure this is the feasibility study in this case the client would have a peer review of what had been done and asked these questions again because I think I don't want to say that people I know those questions in the in the attachment of that how it would be it.

13:03 - 13:25

Town Hall

But given the, I don't know if it got out of town how expensive it would be, but I think a peer review of the current options and then determination of peer review could also be a re-budgeting.

13:26 - 13:30

Town Hall

Shall we say, and then see if it makes sense to go ahead.

13:30 - 13:37

Town Hall

I don't know if six million through grants is something that could ever be found.

13:37 - 13:39

Town Hall

No, it would have to be.

13:40 - 13:41

Town Hall

We definitely are.

13:41 - 13:42

Town Hall

Yeah, it has to go.

13:42 - 13:44

Town Hall

That's the question on the backup.

13:46 - 13:49

Town Hall

So the peer review would be essentially a second opinion.

13:49 - 13:50

Town Hall

So you look at this plan.

13:50 - 13:52

Town Hall

Make sure that they were given the right cost.

13:55 - 13:59

Town Hall

Your review would address some of these questions.

14:00 - 14:01

Town Hall

Why wasn't this looked at?

14:01 - 14:02

Town Hall

Why wasn't that looked at?

14:02 - 14:13

Town Hall

And there are a lot of questions in the backup about the loss, about the recycling and so on.

14:13 - 14:15

Town Hall

Yeah, so.

14:17 - 14:34

Town Hall

All these questions about the effective debuts, the other side, all that other stuff seem to be answered, but in terms of are there other options that might not be \$6 million?

14:35 - 14:36

Town Hall

Or \$7 million.

14:43 - 15:04

Town Hall

So what I'm wondering about is so is that so for peer review what is the procurement process like for that do you know off the top of your head like is it an engineer or a designer usually for procuring those services you set a fee.

15:07 - 15:11

Town Hall

So yeah, I can look into that part again.

15:11 - 15:14

Town Hall

I don't know if there are regulations on...

15:14 - 15:17

Town Hall

I'll ask Christopoulos, he should know that.

15:17 - 15:21

Town Hall

Was the original proposal, it wasn't a bid, right?

15:22 - 15:24

Town Hall

No, it's not a bid.

15:25 - 15:28

Town Hall

So that would just be the base of a bid for a peer review.

15:28 - 15:29

Town Hall

Oh, okay.

15:30 - 15:31

Town Hall

All right.

15:31 - 16:10

Town Hall

An idea I have, I know if it's come up in like talking about the highway garages to be built on another location and the building that we're currently in the upstairs to be rehab, the upstairs part of the building rehab for like police department, if it's worth looking at possibly um joining police department highway together as a build location because there's money out there for grants for police departments and fire departments more of like a full safety complex thing So for to combine the two there might be more money out there to be able to put towards Where is there what we have to do with the state?

16:10 - 16:14

Town Hall

No, there isn't no, you know huntington is dreaming right now.

16:14 - 16:18

Town Hall

Yeah, I talked to paul mart saturday I can roll his eyes when I ask him how.

16:19 - 16:21

Town Hall

But the hotbox is a yes.

16:24 - 16:27

Town Hall

But the Williamsburg was done through their own funding.

16:28 - 16:32

Town Hall

There's no state funding for public buildings other than schools.

16:33 - 16:35

Town Hall

Right, and KRS.

16:35 - 16:36

Town Hall

They've been trying.

16:36 - 16:38

Town Hall

I mean, Natalie Blay was working on it.

16:39 - 16:47

Town Hall

She's not even there, but they've had a bill in the legislature for the last few years trying to fund, establish a fund for public buildings so far.

16:50 - 16:56

Town Hall

But back to how this is worded, I think not a lot of people attend that open house.

16:56 - 17:09

Town Hall

People know the study was done, so I think to phrase it says that it's a look at what had been done and then decide to go forward on that or options.

17:10 - 17:16

Town Hall

So do any sense of what it would with similar cost to what we spent for the first one?

17:16 - 17:17

Town Hall

No.

17:17 - 17:17

Town Hall

No.

17:17 - 17:18

Town Hall

I would agree with this.

17:19 - 17:20

Town Hall

The work is done.

17:20 - 17:21

Town Hall

Well, that's right.

17:21 - 17:21

Town Hall

I don't know.

17:21 - 17:24

Town Hall

This is just for review more, yeah?

17:24 - 17:25

Town Hall

The exhibits are extensive.

17:26 - 17:28

Town Hall

And the budget was extensive.

17:28 - 17:28

Town Hall

Yeah, yeah.

17:28 - 17:29

Town Hall

I have a copy.

17:29 - 17:30

Town Hall

It's like 85 pages.

17:30 - 17:33

Town Hall

I put it in just this week's thing.

17:33 - 17:40

Town Hall

So let's say it's a week's worth of work for some individual, more or less.

17:40 - 17:52

Town Hall

But you know the business, yeah so 100 bucks an hour times 150 bucks an hour times 40.

17:52 - 17:53

Town Hall

What's that?

17:57 - 18:00

Town Hall

Six thousand six thousand.

18:06 - 18:12

Town Hall

So so for a number so maybe we Maybe we put 10 in there to be saved?

18:13 - 18:13

Town Hall

Yeah.

18:14 - 18:16

Town Hall

And then get back up if we can.

18:18 - 18:29

Town Hall

So your thought is to look at the, whatever, the work that was done before and try to determine if it's sort of realistic, or I guess...

18:29 - 18:29

Town Hall

Yes.

18:29 - 18:29

Town Hall

Absolutely.

18:30 - 18:38

Town Hall

Go back to architects who are low to critique another architect's work because he had the contract.

18:38 - 18:40

Town Hall

They had the contract to do that and I didn't.

18:41 - 18:51

Town Hall

So looking at it now, if that's going to be the topic of a rebook, I think it can be done much more simply as have other towns done it.

18:51 - 19:09

Town Hall

And that's the recycling area was which was laid out in a couple of hours, but hanging myself a couple of years ago, that could be consolidated and possibly a much simpler, less elegant building ads, other accounts have, could be built.

19:09 - 19:21

Town Hall

I think that's what I, I just wanted to make sure that it felt like that was a lovely project that probably didn't fit this part of the world and that they should be looking at the garage they designed.

19:22 - 19:23

Town Hall

It was, it was elegant.

19:23 - 19:25

Town Hall

That's a great word for it.

19:25 - 19:32

Town Hall

Chesapeake Field, Peru's new building, it's, they went to a catalog and said, right, that one.

19:32 - 19:55

Town Hall

And there is a lot of flash, so as part of it, maybe acting as an advisor to you guys, not to go over what all world that stuff is below to the right of the existing building on the flat and then not engage with Sue on the other side.

19:55 - 20:00

Town Hall

But that could be more simply laid out.

20:00 - 20:14

Town Hall

Guess my only question was whether the the the program work was good program work is excellent because Devin went over that those spaces are needed.

20:14 - 20:16

Town Hall

Okay, this kind of thing.

20:16 - 20:28

Town Hall

I'm not so sure Well, okay, maybe my first app will be with real On-site and with the did you get the whole booklet from from Devin?

20:28 - 20:29

Town Hall

I believe it's on the desk upstairs it.

20:31 - 20:46

Town Hall

But what he's mentioning about other departments and other buildings may be tabled until the budget is either corroborated or there's a new budget and then talk about we have to share anymore.

20:47 - 20:57

Town Hall

But I think between I think that property rather than buying other property can be switched around to make make it work.

20:58 - 21:08

Town Hall

Of course one of the issues which we discussed is that if you do that, if you basically rebuild what's there, then you have to put everything somewhere else in the

meantime.

21:08 - 21:12

Town Hall

You've got at least one season of temporary housing that costs money too.

21:12 - 21:21

Town Hall

All of the stuff in the trailer, some people that see mold on this side, they're in the way of expanding on that level.

21:21 - 21:29

Town Hall

And what's in them and what can be putting to store it someplace else, but still allowing you to work with the trucks you have.

21:29 - 21:34

Town Hall

It's hard with where we're at to work in the space that we have.

21:35 - 21:43

Town Hall

We're very limited on space right now with what we have, and it's hard moving everything around with the space that we have there.

21:44 - 22:22

Town Hall

And the biggest problem that I have with it all is the fact that it's the same location as the transfer station, yeah and it's extremely dangerous and a huge liability for the town any of the equipment moving with everybody flying in and out of the dump well one option is everything on the to the right of the driveway where the salt concrete building is yeah that becomes recycling you get the other side and the driveway that goes to salt is the in out for recycling something like that but we don't even have the capacity and room to store and stockpile materials for maintaining our roads.

22:23 - 22:34

Town Hall

We we don't have nearly enough space that we need so no matter what I'm gonna be asking the town to look into other property because we need place to put materials.

22:35 - 22:51

Town Hall

That may come out of this analysis that the previous scheme was deemed expensive and there may be the property purchase that would balance out and build something you could order from the catalog.

22:51 - 22:54

Town Hall

I'm using that as an exaggeration.

22:54 - 23:02

Town Hall

But I think the buzz in terms of six or seven million, I've got to be addressed.

23:04 - 23:16

Town Hall

I mean I think the Warren article definitely needs to include language about evaluating property options because that's one thing we So, let me think about it and get something to do.

23:16 - 23:17

Town Hall

Yeah, that would be great.

23:17 - 23:19

Town Hall

Just in terms of... All right.

23:19 - 23:19

Town Hall

Yeah.

23:19 - 23:20

Town Hall

Thank you.

23:25 - 23:27

Town Hall

So, you're going to work on rewriting this?

23:28 - 23:28

Town Hall

Is that it?

23:28 - 23:29

Town Hall

We'll collaborate.

23:29 - 23:29

Town Hall

Yeah.

23:29 - 23:29

Town Hall

That sounds good.

23:29 - 23:29

Town Hall

Okay.

23:30 - 23:30

Town Hall

All right.

23:30 - 23:30

Town Hall

Awesome.

23:32 - 23:36

Town Hall

And then, I think, Joe, did you... I lost it again.

23:36 - 23:37

Town Hall

You developed those questions?

23:38 - 23:38

Town Hall

Yes.

23:38 - 23:39

Town Hall

Yeah.

23:39 - 23:39

Town Hall

I did.

23:39 - 23:49

Town Hall

So, that would be the next step to hand over to as it would be part of the bid to summarize those.

23:49 - 23:54

Town Hall

That would be the questionnaire, shall we say, given to the Successful Share.

23:55 - 23:59

Town Hall

But it would be summarized in the bid so they covered everything, including another site.

24:03 - 24:15

Town Hall

So I think, you know, we would, assuming this passes a town meeting and then before we actually or someone that we sit down and have a meeting to discuss that.

24:17 - 24:17

Town Hall

Okay.

24:19 - 24:20

Town Hall

All right.

24:21 - 24:23

Town Hall

Joe, does that sound good to you?

24:23 - 24:29

JOE BOUDREAU

Yeah, I threw that in for discussion and looks like we've had that discussion.

24:29 - 24:30

Town Hall

Okay, cool.

24:31 - 24:32

Town Hall

All right.

24:32 - 24:33

Town Hall

Thank you, Kevin.

24:34 - 24:43

JOE BOUDREAU

I do have one issue, though, on the questions that our audits.

24:43 - 24:45

JOE BOUDREAU

Do not comply with.

24:45 - 24:46

JOE BOUDREAU

Gasp.

24:47 - 24:48

Town Hall

And.

24:48 - 24:49

JOE BOUDREAU

I was not.

24:49 - 24:50

Town Hall

At.

24:50 - 24:52

JOE BOUDREAU

The last exit conference.

24:53 - 24:55

JOE BOUDREAU

I happened to be in the hospital that day.

24:57 - 25:00

JOE BOUDREAU

Did Scanlon or Jeff Gendron talk.

25:00 - 25:04

JOE BOUDREAU

About the fact that they are qualified.

25:04 - 25:06

JOE BOUDREAU

Audits and.

25:06 - 25:08

Town Hall

What.

25:08 - 25:09

JOE BOUDREAU

The town should do about them?

25:11 - 25:13

Town Hall

I'm not, I don't know that they did.

25:13 - 25:15

Town Hall

I didn't have a discussion like that with them.

25:15 - 25:18

Town Hall

So, what are qualified audits?

25:18 - 25:21

Town Hall

What is, the audits that they do are not qualified?

25:21 - 25:36

JOE BOUDREAU

The problem is, if ultimately we borrow for the project, and I see no way of other doing that, to get.

25:36 - 25:49

JOE BOUDREAU

A good bond rating and ultimately an interest rate, we can't have a qualified audit.

25:49 - 26:08

JOE BOUDREAU

And in this case, we do not have evaluation for the potential liability of other post-

employment benefits and fixed assets, which I put in all the questions.

26:09 - 26:13

JOE BOUDREAU

So I think we should have a warrant article.

26:13 - 26:15

JOE BOUDREAU

That deals with them.

26:16 - 26:33

JOE BOUDREAU

I would suggest maybe Peg you could call either Jeff or Tom Scanlon and they might be able to give you some companies that do that and then you contact the companies and get a rough price on.

26:33 - 26:40

JOE BOUDREAU

It and let's once and for all get our balance sheet or our audits compliant.

26:40 - 26:46

Town Hall

So that means that we'll do the do both those things then.

26:46 - 26:48

Town Hall

That's what you're talking about.

26:49 - 26:50

Town Hall

Okay.

26:50 - 27:00

Town Hall

So we need a warrant article to appropriate money specifically for that then to hire some company to help us.

27:00 - 27:04

JOE BOUDREAU

I don't know if it would be two companies one to.

27:04 - 27:19

JOE BOUDREAU

Do OPED and the other to do fixed assets or if it would be one, I would combine the number so you don't have to worry about not having, not enough for one and enough for the other.

27:19 - 27:25

JOE BOUDREAU

So combine the number, but it could be for two.

27:26 - 27:29

JOE BOUDREAU

You could do one, you know, each one doing one of them.

27:30 - 27:30

JOE BOUDREAU

Okay.

27:31 - 27:34

Town Hall

So do you have enough to write up some language then?

27:36 - 27:37

Town Hall

Well, no, not yet.

27:37 - 27:42

Town Hall

I need to know what that will all be, but I can ask Tom Scanlon and Jeff Ginger, and they'll give me the language anyway.

27:42 - 27:43

Town Hall

So you'll get that for next week?

27:44 - 27:44

Town Hall

Maybe.

27:45 - 27:48

Town Hall

I'll have to next week for the last shot.

27:49 - 27:51

Town Hall

Can I ask you a couple of questions?

27:51 - 27:53

Town Hall

I think, Joe, you're probably the person I'm asking of.

27:55 - 28:08

Town Hall

One is, if we got our books in good shape, both the fixed assets and OPEB, is that we need three years of good books.

28:08 - 28:11

Town Hall

I assume we can't go backwards.

28:11 - 28:12

JOE BOUDREAU

But.

28:12 - 28:12

Town Hall

People can?

28:13 - 28:16

JOE BOUDREAU

No, but at least we can get the next one done.

28:18 - 28:32

JOE BOUDREAU

And then again, I'm sure there could be an explanation to Moody's or Standard & Poor's or whoever does the rating that this was just implemented for this year, and it will be maintained and go forward.

28:33 - 28:35

Town Hall

I see, so maybe the three year.

28:35 - 28:43

Town Hall

And my memory when we were talking about broadband is the borrowing can be, it sort of takes a while before you actually need bond to issue bonds.

28:44 - 28:46

Town Hall

There's a period of notes maybe and.

28:46 - 28:48

JOE BOUDREAU

Then...

28:48 - 28:48

Town Hall

There.

28:48 - 28:52

JOE BOUDREAU

Would be temporary borrowings while the construction takes place.

28:53 - 29:01

JOE BOUDREAU

And then when it's done, they would be turned into the final borrowings, which I really think it's going to be bonds.

29:01 - 29:10

JOE BOUDREAU

I don't see that notes could be found, a bank that would issue a note for that kind of money.

29:11 - 29:12

Town Hall

Okay, that was my next question.

29:12 - 29:17

Town Hall

The bonds are notes, so notes have a sort of a limit on size.

29:19 - 29:22

JOE BOUDREAU

Statehouse notes are done through DOR.

29:23 - 29:25

JOE BOUDREAU

There's no limit on them.

29:25 - 29:27

JOE BOUDREAU

Dor doesn't have a limit.

29:27 - 29:32

JOE BOUDREAU

The limit is what banks will allow you to borrow for.

29:35 - 29:35

Town Hall

Okay.

29:36 - 29:40

Town Hall

And they're a little more risk adverse than the whoever buying bonds.

29:41 - 29:42

JOE BOUDREAU

Yeah, there's a number of different things.

29:45 - 29:54

JOE BOUDREAU

The broadband report that the finance committee did, it's on to the finance committee's page under other, there's a section on borrowing.

29:54 - 29:59

JOE BOUDREAU

And I think if you read up on that, that'll give you the difference.

29:59 - 30:02

JOE BOUDREAU

There's things called qualified bonds.

30:04 - 30:11

JOE BOUDREAU

Also, if you do a bond, we're going to have to hire bond counsel to check over everything to make sure it's done right.

30:11 - 30:16

JOE BOUDREAU

So, and I tried to list them in all of those questions or decisions to be made.

30:18 - 30:20

Town Hall

Okay, thanks.

30:24 - 30:28

Town Hall

So, before we go on, we have a couple of questions came in from Emily by chat.

30:28 - 30:31

Town Hall

She's asking when the warrants going to be closed.

30:31 - 30:38

Town Hall

We'll finalize the warrant next Tuesday so that it can be posted essentially the next day, I think, in time for town meeting.

30:39 - 30:40

Town Hall

So we have a week for that.

30:40 - 30:44

Town Hall

And then she wants to know why it wasn't put up for bid.

30:44 - 30:47

Town Hall

I assume you're referring to the highway study.

30:47 - 30:50

Town Hall

It wasn't put up for bid, but we got three quotes.

30:51 - 30:54

Town Hall

It wasn't a good thing.

30:54 - 30:57

Town Hall

It was a design, design is different.

30:57 - 31:05

Town Hall

So it didn't happen, you know, they met they gave us a price It didn't I didn't have to do an RFP for that.

31:05 - 31:07

Town Hall

Okay, so we just hired one.

31:07 - 31:09

Town Hall

Yeah We only had one.

31:10 - 31:13

Town Hall

Yeah Yeah, he was the only one I think we asked.

31:16 - 31:23

Town Hall

We saw other Nobody else was replied central for the answer to your question.

31:24 - 31:28

Town Hall

Um, she says yes Okay, so good.

31:31 - 31:33

Town Hall

So, we good with that then?

31:36 - 31:43

Town Hall

Okay, so next item, it's not really just for me, although it came up because of me.

31:44 - 31:46

Town Hall

We didn't do the highway fitment article.

31:46 - 31:47

Town Hall

Oh, I'm sorry.

31:55 - 32:00

Town Hall

So I put all those articles on the screen.

32:00 - 32:03

Town Hall

It says highway articles and then a bridge, the other ones that are there.

32:04 - 32:08

Town Hall

And the only one that I'm having an issue with is the one that you sent me this morning.

32:08 - 32:18

Town Hall

And Charlie, if I have this long Closing of Townways and Bridges article that was Huntington's, right?

32:18 - 32:19

Town Hall

Yes, that's Huntington's.

32:19 - 32:24

Town Hall

And this is for the weight limit on dirt roads and bridges.

32:26 - 32:28

Town Hall

Can you make it into a Word document?

32:30 - 32:30

Town Hall

Yeah, I'm not sure.

32:31 - 32:33

Town Hall

I don't click the question, sorry.

32:33 - 32:38

Town Hall

This, you'll see at the back of your packet, there's this one that says closing up.

32:38 - 32:38

Town Hall

Yeah.

32:39 - 32:39

Town Hall

Yeah.

32:39 - 32:41

Town Hall

So yeah, no problem.

32:41 - 32:43

Town Hall

Yeah, that would be good because I don't have the...

32:43 - 32:44

Town Hall

Yes, I can do that.

32:45 - 32:45

Town Hall

Yeah.

32:45 - 32:54

Town Hall

So the story behind that paper is the direction that we already went with making the signs posting our dirt roads with length and ball weight limit.

32:54 - 32:58

Town Hall

This is basically enforcing those signs.

32:59 - 32:59

Town Hall

Right.

32:59 - 33:00

Town Hall

It was really not enforcing them.

33:00 - 33:06

Town Hall

I did my research in trying to find what other towns had.

33:06 - 33:15

Town Hall

Huntington was the only one I could really come up with easily that read to what would fit us with a few minor adjustments.

33:17 - 33:19

Town Hall

So would this need to be part of the warrant?

33:20 - 33:32

Town Hall

Yeah, but I wonder if it's a different setup than ours and I would have and look at it and see how it needs to be worded more even, you know, it's a different setup.

33:33 - 33:34

Town Hall

So I'll do it tonight.

33:34 - 33:35

Town Hall

That would be great.

33:35 - 33:36

Town Hall

That would be great.

33:38 - 33:39

Town Hall

So we'll put it in.

33:40 - 33:41

Town Hall

There's a lot there.

33:42 - 33:43

Town Hall

Did you say 8 ,000?

33:43 - 33:44

Town Hall

I thought you said 10 ,000.

33:44 - 33:50

Town Hall

So Huntington Post or their by-loss is 8 ,000, their signs, just like our signs, say 10 ,000.

33:50 - 33:51

Town Hall

So it should be 10 ,000.

33:54 - 33:55

Town Hall

That makes a lot of sense.

33:56 - 33:57

Town Hall

Just to keep people on the road.

33:59 - 34:00

Town Hall

Okay.

34:01 - 34:01

Town Hall

Cool.

34:01 - 34:02

Town Hall

Okay.

34:05 - 34:07

Town Hall

That's the new one, but the other ones are all okay.

34:07 - 34:08

Town Hall

So are the other ones all okay?

34:09 - 34:10

Town Hall

Yeah.

34:12 - 34:13

Town Hall

This is the handouts?

34:13 - 34:14

Town Hall

Yep.

34:14 - 34:19

Town Hall

And the third one has a really great bold title, and the first two don't.

34:20 - 34:22

Town Hall

So people will get used to them really quick.

34:22 - 34:26

Town Hall

So my only recommendation is to make the first two have that kind of bold.

34:26 - 34:27

Town Hall

The same bold?

34:27 - 34:27

Town Hall

Yeah.

34:29 - 34:30

Town Hall

And well done, you two.

34:30 - 34:31

Town Hall

Oh, yeah.

34:31 - 34:32

Town Hall

Thank you.

34:33 - 34:34

Town Hall

I hope.

34:36 - 34:37

Town Hall

The third one you get right away.

34:38 - 34:40

Town Hall

Yeah, no.

34:41 - 34:41

Town Hall

Okay.

34:41 - 34:44

Town Hall

And Charlie, we'll post them on the website too, right?

34:45 - 34:46

Town Hall

All right.

34:46 - 34:47

Town Hall

Thank you.

34:53 - 34:56

Town Hall

So, anything else to discuss regarding the means?

34:56 - 34:59

Town Hall

I guess we could vote on putting them on the work list.

34:59 - 35:00

Town Hall

Yeah, absolutely.

35:00 - 35:07

Town Hall

I guess I was curious why the two of them have, you know, down to the penny and the welder is just 5 ,000 flat.

35:08 - 35:10

Town Hall

Is there a...

35:10 - 35:28

Town Hall

It was just slightly more than the – I put slightly more for that price at \$5 ,000 because of the cost of the gas and things that change that get added in with it.

35:28 - 35:36

Town Hall

The bid that we're going with, the best bid is our current supplier for our settling gas and oxygen.

35:37 - 35:41

Town Hall

So it's just a minor little thing that changes.

35:41 - 35:44

Town Hall

So I figured just set as that and we'll be good.

35:45 - 35:49

Town Hall

Because the final price will change because you're getting gas as a.

35:55 - 35:58

Town Hall

Okay, anybody have anything else with those?

35:59 - 36:04

Town Hall

Okay, so the postings.

36:09 - 36:18

Town Hall

I'm getting pretty much everybody, particularly people that meet regularly are able to post their own stuff on the calendar now, and that seems to be working pretty well.

36:18 - 36:32

Town Hall

The only thing I've noticed is that you need to be aware that if you're posting a hearing, you really need to still send it to me so I can put it as an actual website post as opposed to just a calendar listing.

36:33 - 36:42

Town Hall

I typically send out hearings, so that way it goes out in an email to everybody, whereas the calendar list is done unless you, well, they don't.

36:42 - 36:44

Town Hall

You can subscribe to the calendar and include it with your own calendar.

36:45 - 36:47

Town Hall

But that's not a legal requirement, that's just a business model.

36:48 - 36:49

Town Hall

Right, right, exactly.

36:49 - 36:51

Town Hall

So as far as the, really we're talking about the legal requirement.

36:51 - 36:59

Town Hall

Do we wanna make it a legal requirement or do we just wanna keep trying to do it and not lock ourselves in?

36:59 - 37:01

Town Hall

That's really the question there.

37:01 - 37:02

Town Hall

I don't understand.

37:02 - 37:11

Town Hall

I will endeavor to meet with you later this week or early next week to help you with that Okay, well, it's that it's actually it's working out pretty well.

37:11 - 37:14

Town Hall

It's taking stuff off in my shoulders really more than anything.

37:14 - 37:15

Town Hall

Oh, excellent.

37:19 - 37:38

Town Hall

So it's set up so board people who are chairs of boards like Bart Peggy and so forth can post themselves now that I have their own what they have There's one login that everybody's sharing but it's working fine And then I have a second login for community members But so far, there's only one person that's asked that used it.

37:38 - 37:40

Town Hall

But I'm sure that'll grow over time.

37:40 - 37:42

Town Hall

So those are the ones that need approval for right now.

37:44 - 37:52

Town Hall

What are the negatives of voting to include the website as one of the official places?

37:52 - 37:54

Town Hall

Because then we need to do that.

37:54 - 38:01

Town Hall

So if you get hit by a bus, somebody's going to have to go, uh-oh, Charlie got hit by a bus, and now we have this requirement to do that.

38:02 - 38:06

Town Hall

Well, well now the way it's set up everybody can post themselves, you don't need me.

38:19 - 38:22

Town Hall

Although this one didn't get posted I posted it Sunday.

38:27 - 38:37

Town Hall

But that's the downside if somebody forgets I guess then technically the meeting is not legal anymore and you have to like postpone the meeting and reschedule it.

38:39 - 38:41

Town Hall

So do we want to go there or not is.

38:41 - 38:42

Town Hall

Really my.

38:42 - 38:57

JOE BOUDREAU

Opinion is to keep the the official postings where it's actually done at town hall and the store and have it posted on the website as a convenience.

38:58 - 39:02

JOE BOUDREAU

You make it also has to be done on the website.

39:03 - 39:08

JOE BOUDREAU

You're leaving something that will fall through the cracks or missed the deadline.

39:09 - 39:11

JOE BOUDREAU

So I don't see the need to.

39:11 - 39:14

JOE BOUDREAU

Make it the website also be the official place.

39:17 - 39:19

Town Hall

I think I tend to agree.

39:19 - 39:21

Town Hall

I think there are townspeople who might disagree.

39:22 - 39:25

Town Hall

Well, I think the intent is there, right?

39:25 - 39:33

Town Hall

And so I'm more than happy to kick this down the road to, you know, the fall meeting and revisit it.

39:33 - 39:41

Town Hall

And so let us establish a habit of doing it and then make it official, if that's what we want to do.

39:41 - 39:41

Town Hall

I like that idea.

39:42 - 39:43

Town Hall

Yeah, I do, too.

39:43 - 39:43

Town Hall

I do, too.

39:43 - 39:44

Town Hall

I agree.

39:44 - 39:45

Town Hall

Yeah.

39:46 - 39:47

Town Hall

Ok, good.

39:48 - 39:49

Town Hall

So we kick that cam down the road.

39:50 - 39:54

Town Hall

As you said, you know, if we forget it, if we forget one, then we just kind of.

39:54 - 39:55

Town Hall

Then it's not the end of the world.

39:55 - 39:57

Town Hall

And then you don't have, you know, who I'm asking.

39:58 - 39:59

Town Hall

Right, yes.

39:59 - 40:00

Town Hall

Again, comment from Emily.

40:00 - 40:05

Town Hall

I think town member would really appreciate it being an official site.

40:05 - 40:09

Town Hall

So, and I'm sure if Helen was here, she would say the same.

40:10 - 40:23

Town Hall

We will be trying to post it on there and occasionally we may miss and it's just, you know, as we said, if we miss and it's an official site and it must be on there, then we actually can't meet and we have to postpone it.

40:23 - 40:31

Town Hall

And so, rather than have that be the upshot, I think most of the times we've gotten it to just, you said this one happened to not be on there.

40:31 - 40:33

Town Hall

Well, we're still working the kinks out.

40:33 - 40:35

Town Hall

Right, we're still working the kinks out, so.

40:36 - 40:39

Town Hall

So, yeah, let's, so I think in essence, we'll revisit it.

40:39 - 40:40

Town Hall

Let's give it a little more time.

40:40 - 40:41

Town Hall

Yeah, she's got her hand up.

40:43 - 40:45

Town Hall

Yes, Emily, go ahead.

40:46 - 41:02

Emily

Oh, I was just gonna say, if you guys don't have it as an official, like I don't necessarily think that having it as official site is super important because I think you guys do keep up on it pretty well.

41:02 - 41:12

Emily

I think actually the main concern of people in the town is that they don't have access to the information conveniently.

41:13 - 41:26

Emily

So I think almost if you didn't keep it as an official place, but you did an email or a text line that people could sign up for those, that would be super, super helpful.

41:26 - 41:38

Emily

And then you guys wouldn't have to worry about if you had missed the 48 hour deadline or whatever the deadline is, you could just put it on whenever you could put it on past that time.

41:38 - 41:44

Emily

So it's not official, but it's easily accessible via people's email.

41:44 - 41:53

Emily

Cause I hear people talk all the time about how they don't have the time or in their life to go check the bulletin boards or even, I.

41:53 - 41:54

Town Hall

Mean.

41:54 - 41:57

Emily

People, people don't check it every day every two days.

41:58 - 42:00

Emily

So I don't know, just an idea.

42:01 - 42:04

Town Hall

So a couple of things you can subscribe to the calendar.

42:05 - 42:10

Town Hall

So if you, if you use Google calendar views, I calendar is just about outlook calendar.

42:10 - 42:18

Town Hall

Any of those you can literally subscribe and have it show up in your personal calendar every listing on the town calendar I do it.

42:18 - 42:22

Town Hall

It's all they'll show up on my Yeah, that would be.

42:22 - 42:23

Emily

Great Maybe we.

42:23 - 42:23

Town Hall

Could make.

42:23 - 42:30

Emily

That process more accessible to people like a link or directions on how to how to make that link.

42:30 - 42:31

Town Hall

Right.

42:31 - 42:34

Town Hall

So I'm I'm working on sort of directions.

42:34 - 42:37

Town Hall

I guess it's really just something to click on on the counter.

42:37 - 42:42

Town Hall

It's there now But I'll try to point it out to people so it would make it more accessible.

42:42 - 42:48

Town Hall

I am also looking into a way to text people for every single time a new calendar listing goes up.

42:48 - 42:50

Town Hall

But I'm wondering if people really want that.

42:51 - 42:52

Emily

Probably.

42:52 - 42:52

Town Hall

Not.

42:56 - 42:56

Town Hall

I.

42:56 - 43:03

Emily

Think like stuff of, I mean, you guys would know what is of public interest.

43:03 - 43:06

Emily

And you just make a determination on, I definitely agree.

43:06 - 43:18

Emily

People don't care about 99% of the meetings but I think they get really frustrated and angry when they when that one percent that's really important to them is missing.

43:19 - 43:25

Emily

So I know it's kind of a hard thing but I appreciate you being interested in trying.

43:26 - 43:26

Emily

Okay.

43:26 - 43:35

Town Hall

So and like I said the one thing I do try to do is if it's a hearing it does go on the on

the home page of the website and does go out in the email list.

43:35 - 43:38

Town Hall

So as long as you're subscribed to town emails, you do get that.

43:39 - 43:45

Town Hall

For any kind of hearing, as long as somebody sends me the post, which they do 90% of the time.

43:46 - 43:47

Town Hall

But yeah, we'll keep working on it.

43:47 - 43:49

Town Hall

Thank you.

43:50 - 43:53

Town Hall

All right, so on to the next thing then.

43:53 - 43:55

Town Hall

Yeah, we're going to sit on that one for a while.

43:56 - 43:59

Emily

I think Joe had his hand up.

43:59 - 44:01

Town Hall

Oh, thank you.

44:01 - 44:01

Town Hall

Joe, go ahead.

44:03 - 44:14

JOE BOUDREAU

I heard at annual town meeting last year and I'm hearing it now, the people are having a hard time being informed of happenings in town.

44:15 - 44:19

JOE BOUDREAU

And I brought this up a while ago, but I don't think it got off the ground.

44:20 - 44:29

JOE BOUDREAU

Both towns on either end of our borders, Peru and Montgomery have electronic signs.

44:30 - 44:38

JOE BOUDREAU

How much would it be for us to buy electronic sign and post it somewhere where people could see what's going.

44:38 - 44:39

Town Hall

On?

44:40 - 44:56

Town Hall

So, and I did mention this last time it came up, and I'm, I apologize, I didn't do what I said I was going to do, but the COA actually bought a sign, I think she got a grant, what's her name before?

44:57 - 44:57

Town Hall

Yeah.

44:58 - 44:58

Town Hall

Shelly.

44:58 - 45:18

Town Hall

Shelly yeah, so shelly actually bought a sign and as far as I know it's still sitting in a box in the coa office Um, we think it's actually bigger than our side ordinance The size allowed by our side work, so I assume we could come up with a variance on that That's what we would have to do the zba Yeah, right zba have a hearing.

45:21 - 45:25

JOE BOUDREAU

I think you could violate our our sign By.

45:25 - 45:25

Town Hall

Law.

45:25 - 45:28

JOE BOUDREAU

And nobody would care.

45:29 - 45:35

Town Hall

All right, so I promise I won't go examine that thing and see if it's something we could actually use it.

45:35 - 45:46

Town Hall

I would think the one of the obvious places to put it might be right on the side of the post office there, the big empty wall where we where the COA sign is, but I'm open to options obviously.

45:47 - 45:50

Town Hall

I would hate to see what sign like they have in Peru in front of this town hall.

45:50 - 46:13

Town Hall

I mean if you put it by the side of the post office then you have to ask because it's no no of course but he's always but let me look at it and see I don't maybe it comes with a stand to sit on the ground and if not then we can into purchasing one.

46:14 - 46:16

Town Hall

Hopefully something not as broad as Baru's.

46:23 - 46:26

Town Hall

Okay, moving on then.

46:28 - 46:35

Town Hall

So this next one concerns me, but it's actually it's a process.

46:35 - 46:54

Town Hall

So I it started with an ethics complaint because I was being paid to do the website by an appropriation we've had for the last two years at town meeting I came to the select board and the finance committee and asked for an extra couple thousand dollars for that specifically for that.

46:54 - 46:56

Town Hall

To get paid for work you were doing?

46:59 - 47:20

Town Hall

So I did get paid the previous fiscal year and it was appropriated for this fiscal year but somebody complained and said I really shouldn't be holding two jobs I guess and I had a long conversation with the state ethics board who explained, who said, yeah, technically they're right.

47:21 - 47:34

Town Hall

And that there are ways around that in essence, one of which would have been to essentially have Peggy be my supervisor when it comes to the website, which really

seemed like kind of cheating for me.

47:36 - 47:40

Town Hall

Which I wouldn't care about, but it really didn't seem to be a workaround.

47:40 - 48:12

Town Hall

So the real way to do it is to go to town meeting and town meeting has to pass a Warrant article as it says here that would let Did you put the language in there yeah Yeah, they would simply let allow a select board member to work in some other capacity and get paid for it It's not specific to me And then if that passes town meeting then in order for me to get paid to do this the select board would then have to vote to do it And of course.

48:12 - 48:37

Town Hall

I would recuse myself from that vote right and discussion, I guess So that's why that's there Should the language be more general then and say to serve in an additional town capacity such as So it just doesn't just apply to you no, it doesn't just apply But it's it's gonna be just No.

48:42 - 48:47

Town Hall

Well, that's a legitimate question we want to be able to Allow for other things.

48:47 - 48:57

Town Hall

I think that's a good idea Other things I don't I don't know I mean, what's the sense of the group if you make it more broad than mold then will people at town meeting go?

48:57 - 48:58

Town Hall

Wait a second.

49:03 - 49:09

Town Hall

I mean the tech, the term is a special employee, I think is what it's called, although it's not in my language.

49:11 - 49:13

Town Hall

Well that was the, this is what...

49:14 - 49:18

Town Hall

This is what council, so then I thought, I did talk to KP Law after I talked to town ethics.

49:18 - 49:21

Town Hall

This language came from our council, KP Law.

49:23 - 49:37

Town Hall

Well I think I'm okay leaving it just as town webmaster because I think, yeah, I just, I do feel that if we sit there and say yes, you know in another capacity a special employee There will be questions.

49:37 - 49:39

Town Hall

It's like so what else do you have in mind?

49:39 - 49:59

Town Hall

Do you think you might be a special employee over so I really do two things And I've been tracking my hours, and I don't actually have the report to give you tonight But in addition to serving as webmaster, I'm also the town AB guy Yes, which is turns out to be a substantial number of hours particularly now Yes, with all those additional hearings.

49:59 - 50:00

Town Hall

So I'm counting both.

50:01 - 50:05

Town Hall

So I've never been super comfortable with the term webmaster.

50:05 - 50:06

Town Hall

I just assumed the.

50:06 - 50:07

Town Hall

I think it sounds magical.

50:08 - 50:09

Town Hall

I know we could get you a hat, Noam.

50:10 - 50:11

Town Hall

A technical consultant.

50:11 - 50:12

Town Hall

You could be web wizard.

50:16 - 50:18

Town Hall

Regardless, give me a couple thousand dollars.

50:18 - 50:18

Town Hall

Shut up.

50:22 - 50:30

Town Hall

So were you thinking that the web function and the AV function would then be two separate things?

50:30 - 50:33

Town Hall

Well I wasn't I mean they're just saying I really do two separate things.

50:33 - 50:36

Town Hall

I also do a certain amount of IT work.

50:42 - 50:48

Town Hall

So this would be this is a one-time passive town meeting to say we've talked about this.

50:48 - 50:50

Town Hall

But it would apply going forward.

50:51 - 50:55

Town Hall

But the SWAT court still has to approve anybody to do this.

50:55 - 51:06

Town Hall

So I hear those concerns the other the concern I have is that it's one of their So were you to no longer be a member of the select board and get elected for something else?

51:07 - 51:24

Town Hall

Then you could no longer but it's the fact you're elected is the issue right now that you're a select board member I think maybe elected and get paid right, it's that So he was in the finance committee The fact that I'm paid as a separate member is not really an issue.

51:24 - 52:02

Town Hall

It's just that I'm elected and I'm also serving as an employee about technically they

allow that in small towns like ours up to 10 ,000 or something population here allowed to do it but you have to go through this and it seems to me like making it generic enough to authorize the select board to designate someone who's been elected to office to serve as a So we can decide next week.

52:02 - 52:05

Town Hall

I'll go back to council and ask if we can make this more general.

52:05 - 52:08

Town Hall

Otherwise, when you retire, Amy, you've got to be more general.

52:10 - 52:10

Town Hall

No, no, no.

52:11 - 52:22

Town Hall

The last thing I would say is, I would like to have it in the article, say that that's a paid position, because special town employee, like none of this stuff means anything to anybody.

52:22 - 52:34

Town Hall

Yeah, just something that, you know, serve as a special time employee who possibly has paid or something to do some Yeah, yeah, I retire i'll keep doing it but not for 2000 no.

52:41 - 52:48

Town Hall

Okay So more general and Okay, I will work on it, okay.

52:52 - 52:57

Town Hall

And then there's the prior year bill prior year bill it's pretty strict.

52:57 - 52:59

Town Hall

Oh, yeah Yeah.

53:00 - 53:00

Town Hall

Okay.

53:02 - 53:04

Town Hall

So that's it for articles.

53:09 - 53:09

Town Hall

Yep.

53:10 - 53:10

Town Hall

Yep.

53:10 - 53:10

Town Hall

All right.

53:10 - 53:18

Town Hall

So I did compare your spreadsheet to mine Joe and corrected mine so essentially so it matches yours.

53:22 - 53:24

JOE BOUDREAU

Do we do we match Charlie.

53:25 - 53:26

Town Hall

We do now, yes.

53:26 - 53:27

Town Hall

Okay, good.

53:28 - 53:35

Town Hall

My match as well, I looked up to see the changes that you had made, where you got that from, and I realized, yep, you're right.

53:35 - 53:38

Town Hall

Right, there were new highway numbers that I hadn't plugged in.

53:39 - 53:42

Town Hall

We're in the recurring number, we picked the, you know, transferred that.

53:43 - 53:52

Town Hall

The Comcast payoff number yearly, we, somehow that wound up being the wrong number, so we, when you corrected it to the correct, to the right one.

53:52 - 53:58

Town Hall

So it was like a number has skipped the line instead of being the proper line for some reason it was.

53:59 - 54:01

Town Hall

I didn't see that one, but I know my total.

54:02 - 54:03

JOE BOUDREAU

Yeah, my total.

54:03 - 54:14

JOE BOUDREAU

Keep in mind, if I put \$400 in the bill of a prior year now, it was at 363 and change

now it's 400 because of the highway.

54:14 - 54:16

JOE BOUDREAU

So you'll need to make that change.

54:16 - 54:17

Town Hall

To be.

54:17 - 54:23

JOE BOUDREAU

Um, a couple of other items for annual town meeting, um.

54:26 - 54:26

JOE BOUDREAU

These would.

54:26 - 54:27

Town Hall

Be.

54:27 - 54:31

JOE BOUDREAU

Fiscal 26 articles.

54:31 - 54:36

JOE BOUDREAU

We'll have to appropriate the amount that snow roads is overdrawn.

54:37 - 54:45

JOE BOUDREAU

So you probably have to check with highway in addition to looking at the current expense report to see, you.

54:45 - 54:47

JOE BOUDREAU

Know, which ones are overdrawn.

54:47 - 54:48

JOE BOUDREAU

The expense to.

54:48 - 54:54

JOE BOUDREAU

Court the expense report might be lagged So I would check with the highway to make sure all invoices.

54:54 - 54:56

JOE BOUDREAU

Are in and what is the.

54:56 - 54:57

JOE BOUDREAU

Current?

54:57 - 55:00

Town Hall

Well, so we have to appropriate all that money you overstep.

55:04 - 55:09

JOE BOUDREAU

The funding source would be general stabilization fund.

55:09 - 55:32

JOE BOUDREAU

Okay And there's one more article to be aware of um, I think I have sent most of people, the emails are associated, but there was a final couple today, and that is with a receipt for the selling of laptops at the.

55:32 - 55:32

JOE BOUDREAU

School.

55:33 - 55:40

JOE BOUDREAU

For some reason, Janice and it can surface having a real hard time with it.

55:40 - 55:44

JOE BOUDREAU

And she's currently putting that into.

55:44 - 55:52

JOE BOUDREAU

A general fund account that's going to close to the general fund today I.

55:52 - 56:08

JOE BOUDREAU

Sent language that could we could put on the annual town meeting that would in on the general bylaw it lists what types of receipts get deposited in that revolving fund.

56:08 - 56:10

Town Hall

So.

56:10 - 56:13

JOE BOUDREAU

By adding a few words to that language.

56:13 - 56:18

JOE BOUDREAU

It would then allow that receipt to get deposited into that.

56:19 - 56:20

JOE BOUDREAU

So hopefully she's going to answer.

56:20 - 56:23

JOE BOUDREAU

That in the next few days.

56:23 - 56:35

JOE BOUDREAU

And then we would have to put an article on to add that language and also put the revolving fund language back.

56:36 - 56:55

JOE BOUDREAU

I think the school originally said you can discontinue doing it, but we don't wanna do that if we're going to be able to use it to buy these materials from the from the proceeds of the use of the used laptops.

56:55 - 56:55

JOE BOUDREAU

That.

56:55 - 56:56

Town Hall

Makes sense.

56:57 - 56:58

Town Hall

Yeah, well, I have a question.

56:58 - 57:08

Town Hall

So if we do this article, the article, it will retroactively do the...

57:08 - 57:10

Town Hall

Yeah, will it apply to the current fiscal year?

57:10 - 57:11

Town Hall

Yeah.

57:11 - 57:13

JOE BOUDREAU

It's not it's gotta be in Fiscal 26.

57:13 - 57:15

Town Hall

Business.

57:15 - 57:16

Town Hall

Oh.

57:20 - 57:30

JOE BOUDREAU

Okay, gotcha So yeah, so it will take place in this fiscal year Which will allow her to deposit into the revolving one.

57:30 - 57:36

Town Hall

Okay, it's and so you sent me the language Yeah Awesome.

57:36 - 57:37

Town Hall

Thank you.

57:37 - 57:40

Town Hall

So we just need Janice to bless it right?

57:42 - 57:43

Town Hall

Is that what you're saying, Joe?

57:43 - 57:44

Town Hall

We just.

57:44 - 57:44

JOE BOUDREAU

Need we.

57:44 - 57:48

Town Hall

Just need to bless what you're what you're suggesting.

57:48 - 57:49

Town Hall

Yes.

57:49 - 57:50

Town Hall

Okay.

57:51 - 57:51

Town Hall

Alright.

57:52 - 57:56

JOE BOUDREAU

And to tell you the truth, I don't know why she's being so stubborn on this.

57:57 - 57:59

JOE BOUDREAU

And that's the next town of counting talking.

58:00 - 58:02

JOE BOUDREAU

Not not you guys are all.

58:02 - 58:02

JOE BOUDREAU

Alike.

58:05 - 58:09

Town Hall

All right, anything else relative to Tom meeting?

58:12 - 58:16

Town Hall

Well, you guys said your budgets all agree.

58:16 - 58:17

Town Hall

I don't know.

58:17 - 58:18

Town Hall

I know.

58:18 - 58:18

Town Hall

What did they agree on?

58:19 - 58:21

Town Hall

So we need to talk about the deficits.

58:21 - 58:21

Town Hall

Yeah, we do.

58:22 - 58:25

Town Hall

But it's 50 something.

58:27 - 58:29

Town Hall

Do you have that number in front of you, John?

58:30 - 58:31

JOE BOUDREAU

Wait a minute.

58:31 - 58:33

Town Hall

I think I have his budget.

58:33 - 58:34

Town Hall

Yeah, I did.

58:35 - 58:36

Town Hall

It's 50.

58:36 - 58:37

JOE BOUDREAU

,000.

58:37 - 58:40

JOE BOUDREAU

50,000 629 and 81 cents.

58:41 - 58:43

Town Hall

Okay, so that's with the extra 400.

58:44 - 58:44

JOE BOUDREAU

Yeah.

58:45 - 58:47

JOE BOUDREAU

I mean, there's already 363 in there.

58:47 - 58:50

JOE BOUDREAU

So it's the difference between 363.

58:50 - 58:51

JOE BOUDREAU

And 400.

58:52 - 58:52

JOE BOUDREAU

That went.

58:52 - 58:52

JOE BOUDREAU

Up.

58:55 - 58:56

Town Hall

So that's a lot better than I expected.

58:56 - 58:56

Town Hall

Yeah.

58:57 - 58:57

Town Hall

Yeah.

58:58 - 58:58

Town Hall

Yeah.

58:59 - 59:00

JOE BOUDREAU

Well, we're not done.

59:00 - 59:01

JOE BOUDREAU

We're not done yet.

59:02 - 59:14

JOE BOUDREAU

We've gotta put a number in for vocad and pay has talked to them today and seven people, seven kids have applied.

59:15 - 59:16

JOE BOUDREAU

They don't.

59:16 - 59:21

JOE BOUDREAU

Know when the lottery.

59:21 - 59:25

Town Hall

Is is.

59:25 - 59:28

JOE BOUDREAU

My annual town meeting.

59:30 - 59:30

JOE BOUDREAU

So.

59:30 - 59:40

JOE BOUDREAU

A, I think we should budget as if the kids won the lottery and all seven go and.

59:40 - 59:44

JOE BOUDREAU

Then hopefully add in annual town meeting.

59:44 - 59:45

Town Hall

If on.

59:45 - 59:49

JOE BOUDREAU

Three or one or whatever we reduce that number.

59:49 - 59:52

JOE BOUDREAU

To the amount of kids that are going.

59:52 - 59:55

Town Hall

And then everybody will be happy with that amount.

59:56 - 01:00:01

Town Hall

I was under the impression that the school also included those kids in their budget for Hampshire.

01:00:02 - 01:00:03

Town Hall

Is that?

01:00:04 - 01:00:04

Town Hall

No.

01:00:04 - 01:00:08

Town Hall

Well, the school budget does have the vocational line in it, the one that they submitted.

01:00:09 - 01:00:09

Town Hall

Yeah.

01:00:09 - 01:00:10

Town Hall

No, I just mean that.

01:00:10 - 01:00:10

JOE BOUDREAU

Their.

01:00:10 - 01:00:12

Town Hall

Tally, their 40, includes.

01:00:12 - 01:00:13

JOE BOUDREAU

The.

01:00:13 - 01:00:13

Town Hall

7.

01:00:14 - 01:00:21

JOE BOUDREAU

I talked to Gretchen, and currently those kids are in the school budget going to Hampshire.

01:00:21 - 01:00:26

JOE BOUDREAU

If they go to voc head, the school committee will reduce their budget.

01:00:27 - 01:00:27

Town Hall

Right.

01:00:28 - 01:00:34

Town Hall

But at the same time, the school committee is struggling with a new SPED case that there's a potential.

01:00:35 - 01:00:40

Town Hall

They may take me to take back that money they just gave us from this SPED account.

01:00:40 - 01:00:40

Town Hall

Yeah.

01:00:41 - 01:00:41

Town Hall

Well.

01:00:41 - 01:00:42

JOE BOUDREAU

It ain't.

01:00:42 - 01:00:42

Town Hall

Over.

01:00:44 - 01:00:44

Town Hall

Decide.

01:00:44 - 01:00:45

Town Hall

Okay.

01:00:45 - 01:00:45

Town Hall

Go ahead.

01:00:45 - 01:00:45

Town Hall

Sorry.

01:00:46 - 01:00:47

Town Hall

He just said it ain't over.

01:00:47 - 01:00:47

Town Hall

It ain't over.

01:00:48 - 01:01:05

Town Hall

I guess my question has been, Do we budget it, so do we put in the seven kids who potentially go to vocad into their vocad line and leave them in the school and basically double book them or do we try to be tighter than that?

01:01:06 - 01:01:06

Town Hall

You see what I'm getting at?

01:01:07 - 01:01:13

JOE BOUDREAU

Well, I think Bart, you wanna pick up the number of kids that apply or win the lottery?

01:01:14 - 01:01:17

JOE BOUDREAU

That's why we put in the worst case scenario and- Well, the.

01:01:17 - 01:01:19

Town Hall

Worst case is not that they clone themselves.

01:01:19 - 01:01:20

Town Hall

I mean that is a worse case.

01:01:20 - 01:01:22

Town Hall

There's no reason to build bulk prices.

01:01:22 - 01:01:27

Town Hall

If we're going to put them in the voc ed line and take them out of the Hampshire, it's more to go to voc ed.

01:01:27 - 01:01:29

Town Hall

It's more expensive, I think.

01:01:30 - 01:01:32

Town Hall

Yeah, so then that way you have extra.

01:01:32 - 01:01:33

Town Hall

So yeah.

01:01:34 - 01:01:37

Town Hall

But the school budget is the school's purview, right?

01:01:37 - 01:01:40

Town Hall

We don't know that we can change the school budget.

01:01:40 - 01:01:42

Town Hall

So do we put in in the voc ed line?

01:01:42 - 01:01:44

Town Hall

Do we put the difference for all those seven kids?

01:01:45 - 01:01:54

Town Hall

It's 15 ,000 for them to go to Hampshire, it's 22 ,000 to go to go to go get we put seven per kid in the book headline or do we just.

01:01:54 - 01:02:17

JOE BOUDREAU

We in the voc headline as if they were all going to Smith at the current tuition rate and then if that changes at the meeting we will reduce it and Gretchen said they too will reduce it at the meeting.

01:02:18 - 01:02:18

JOE BOUDREAU

Okay.

01:02:19 - 01:02:21

Town Hall

So leave them both in is what you're suggesting.

01:02:23 - 01:02:24

Town Hall

Leave them in both places.

01:02:27 - 01:02:31

JOE BOUDREAU

And if Smith is unreasonable and we don't know it by May 2nd.

01:02:34 - 01:02:35

JOE BOUDREAU

Special town meeting time.

01:02:36 - 01:02:36

Town Hall

Right.

01:02:37 - 01:02:41

Town Hall

They generally get it right in under the deadline.

01:02:41 - 01:02:41

Town Hall

Yeah, they do.

01:02:41 - 01:02:44

Town Hall

I mean, yeah, it's after next week's vacation.

01:02:44 - 01:02:53

Town Hall

Just so I understand, Bart's question is, do we budget for them twice then until we know the number?

01:02:53 - 01:03:01

Town Hall

Are you suggesting that we leave them in for Hampshire Regional and pay for them to go to Spoke and have twice as much, pay for a kid to go to different places?

01:03:01 - 01:03:03

Town Hall

What's, why do that?

01:03:05 - 01:03:06

Town Hall

Can we just budget the difference?

01:03:09 - 01:03:10

JOE BOUDREAU

Well, I don't follow.

01:03:10 - 01:03:13

Town Hall

So, how much is, how much is.

01:03:15 - 01:03:18

Town Hall

22559 and how much is, are we paying 15?

01:03:19 - 01:03:24

Town Hall

So, can we just budget the difference for each of those seven in the book headline?

01:03:25 - 01:03:28

Town Hall

It's a psychological savings the way Joe wants it.

01:03:28 - 01:03:28

Town Hall

Yeah, thank you.

01:03:29 - 01:03:30

Town Hall

We're going to have to look at all the money that we're saving.

01:03:32 - 01:03:36

JOE BOUDREAU

No, it's just it's just to me, it's just an easier way of doing it.

01:03:36 - 01:03:41

JOE BOUDREAU

Not not knowing budget for the worst case scenario, and.

01:03:41 - 01:03:42

Town Hall

If the.

01:03:42 - 01:03:47

JOE BOUDREAU

Answer comes through by annual town meeting that will reduce.

01:03:47 - 01:03:52

JOE BOUDREAU

Both pool and vocad by the appropriate number.

01:03:53 - 01:03:55

Town Hall

Okay, I guess it doesn't matter.

01:03:55 - 01:03:56

Town Hall

We're obviously not gonna spend it to this.

01:03:56 - 01:03:57

Town Hall

No.

01:03:58 - 01:03:59

Town Hall

Better not, right?

01:04:00 - 01:04:02

Town Hall

I like the psychological status.

01:04:02 - 01:04:09

Town Hall

So So how or do we address then the deficit?

01:04:11 - 01:04:12

Town Hall

You have a suggestion for that.

01:04:15 - 01:04:40

JOE BOUDREAU

Well, we're not going to know until everything is known You know what what happened last year was new growth added to it cherry sheets Added to it in local estimated receipts So until all of those are final which won't happen until most likely November We'll know the cherry sheets will know probably by July.

01:04:42 - 01:04:48

JOE BOUDREAU

Local estimated receipts, we won't know until the books are closed, which is like October.

01:04:50 - 01:05:02

JOE BOUDREAU

So, so when we know everything, and we can't estimate local estimated receipts enough like we did last year to balance.

01:05:03 - 01:05:07

JOE BOUDREAU

The only choice we got is the stabilization.

01:05:07 - 01:05:08

JOE BOUDREAU

Fund.

01:05:10 - 01:05:10

JOE BOUDREAU

So you're.

01:05:10 - 01:05:11

JOE BOUDREAU

Saying.

01:05:11 - 01:05:12

JOE BOUDREAU

Yeah.

01:05:13 - 01:05:13

Town Hall

Right.

01:05:13 - 01:05:21

Town Hall

So we would like if assuming that we're similar to where we are now or even if we

are different, we have a deficit at this time.

01:05:21 - 01:05:26

Town Hall

The deficit may be larger at the end of next week with everything that we actually know.

01:05:27 - 01:05:48

Town Hall

So you're saying that we didn't pass again a budget with the up with the idea that later we will be able to balance it whether it's through additional money from cherry sheets or local estimated receipts but we would just pass a deficit budget again is that what you're basically.

01:05:48 - 01:05:55

JOE BOUDREAU

Oh yeah you there's no way you're going to be able to balance an annual town meeting because because of all the unknowns right that's.

01:05:55 - 01:05:55

Town Hall

What.

01:05:58 - 01:06:02

Town Hall

I last year.

01:06:03 - 01:06:05

Town Hall

It didn't work out the year before.

01:06:07 - 01:06:09

Town Hall

Last year's was bigger, so.

01:06:11 - 01:06:12

Town Hall

Okay.

01:06:12 - 01:06:13

Town Hall

Well, that will be easy.

01:06:14 - 01:06:15

Town Hall

Hope for the best.

01:06:20 - 01:06:21

[speaker unknown]

All right.

01:06:21 - 01:06:25

Town Hall

Does that answer your questions about the Yeah, okay.

01:06:26 - 01:06:26

Town Hall

Anybody else?

01:06:26 - 01:06:29

Town Hall

I'll do stuff, town meeting stuff?

01:06:31 - 01:06:34

Town Hall

Okay, so I think we're done with that portion of the meeting.

01:06:34 - 01:06:42

Town Hall

We can move on to more select board specific things that the people that want to leave, because they're just here for town meeting, that's fine.

01:06:42 - 01:06:44

Town Hall

Or because they're exhausted?

01:06:45 - 01:06:47

Town Hall

Oh, do you do town meeting?

01:06:47 - 01:06:47

Town Hall

Oh boy.

01:06:48 - 01:06:50

Town Hall

Well, if you've got stuff you want to just go to, that's fine.

01:06:56 - 01:07:31

Town Hall

So, one thing was for a conversation I already had with Peg and I met with David Stokes on discussing our Chapter 90, what we have for money and projects that I have going forward in town with that money to fix liability issues across towns such as damaged guard rail and rail that's eroded and needs to be replaced for a lot of that work that needs to be done and a lot of other work to start fixing deteriorated roads.

01:07:31 - 01:07:55

Town Hall

Culverts, and to try to get it in-house so we can efficiently do the work and move forward would be purchasing an excavator with our chapter 90 money which is what Goshen as well just did to start tackling the major work that's required all across town efficiently.

01:07:56 - 01:07:58

Town Hall

Does Chesterfield have one of those?

01:07:58 - 01:08:00

Town Hall

Chesterfield has a larger one.

01:08:00 - 01:08:04

Town Hall

Chesterfield has one, Williamsburg has one, West Hampton has one.

01:08:04 - 01:08:05

Town Hall

They all have larger ones.

01:08:06 - 01:08:12

Town Hall

Goshen just went with this one and I did some research and have been looking into this one as well.

01:08:12 - 01:08:30

Town Hall

It has a much better warranty and through the business that is selling them, they have quite fast access to parts and a really good warranty compared to the other companies that sell the equipment.

01:08:31 - 01:08:47

Town Hall

If it breaks down, they will have a truck out to repair it within 48 hours, which is huge dealing with a lot of the other companies that we deal with and other towns deal with that you're lucky to see someone in a couple weeks for breakdowns.

01:08:47 - 01:08:50

Town Hall

So why use Chapter 90 funds as opposed to stabilization?

01:08:51 - 01:09:06

Town Hall

Because we have the funds and that it was just a recommendation from our state aid engineer since we have the money we don't have to go to town meeting and ask the town for tax dollars.

01:09:06 - 01:09:22

Town Hall

We have the money in our Chapter 90 that we can use for this purchase and then continue to use the other Chapter 90 money that we have to do the work that's needed, such as replacing the guardrail and getting some of the major work done on our roads.

01:09:22 - 01:09:25

Town Hall

So Old Post and Kennebrook are those?

01:09:25 - 01:09:30

Town Hall

Those are a couple of the top two, but basically every road is down.

01:09:31 - 01:09:33

Town Hall

So how many to be money for paving this summer?

01:09:34 - 01:09:37

Town Hall

So I have nothing in the plans for paving right now.

01:09:37 - 01:09:43

Town Hall

That's what I was discussing with David on currently Old Post Road Cork had engineered.

01:09:43 - 01:09:53

Town Hall

I looked over those plans with David and there is it would be a waste of money currently to just go over and put the band-aid over the mess that it currently is.

01:09:53 - 01:11:01

Town Hall

The failing infrastructure of all the drainage that is crumbling and deteriorating across the road is what needs to be replaced first and then rebuild the base of the road to pave it so it's hundreds of thousands of dollars aren't wasted on paving that's only going to last two to five years so it's kind of like what we're doing on 143 is sort of a full smaller scale but yes going down to dirt yes and so as you're thinking a little

extra that's good or you could deal with those culverts is that so suffered a lot of the smaller culverts and problems that we have that i'm looking to tackle this spring this would make a huge improvement to be able to get the jobs done in a timely manner because our backhoe is great and a great asset but in the small sites and narrow roads that we have for example doing the work on Lindsay Hill you have to dig the dirt out over the culvert and you have limited range where you can put it where you can spin all the way around the excavator put it in the truck and take it to another location to keep our work site clear and open to be able to safely do the project.

01:11:02 - 01:11:08

Town Hall

I guess I was curious, you're like looking at Old Post, you're saying the underlying infrastructure is the issue.

01:11:08 - 01:11:14

Town Hall

Are you thinking that with this piece of equipment then you can in-house deal with that underlying?

01:11:15 - 01:11:19

Town Hall

Most of Cork had some of the work already done of the underlying infrastructure.

01:11:20 - 01:11:21

Town Hall

We began with it.

01:11:21 - 01:11:23

Town Hall

There's still a lot there that needs to get done.

01:11:23 - 01:11:39

Town Hall

Most likely, from what I talked to David about, is we might be into a grant to try to take care of most of that project in itself because some of the drains that need to go on are going to cost a lot of money.

01:11:40 - 01:11:51

Town Hall

This will maintain and clean up all the shoulder work through the whole length of the project to start helping that and it'll clean up that.

01:11:52 - 01:12:00

Town Hall

Another big benefit for this is looking at the pricing of getting a jackhammer taffin for the end of it.

01:12:01 - 01:12:18

Town Hall

So when we go to replace these culverts that we have to replace all over town, we have ledge and rock everywhere, that that's what stops whoever from installing the culvert years ago from going to the larger culvert because you couldn't and they couldn't afford the material to build the road up higher to go over it.

01:12:18 - 01:12:30

Town Hall

So we can do away with a ledge that we have issues with on almost every road in town to fix the drainage, as well as also having the capability to buy a mower head for it.

01:12:31 - 01:12:39

Town Hall

So we'll be able to tackle the town mowing more efficiently with having a crew of three.

01:12:40 - 01:12:49

Town Hall

We have the mower that's shared with Chesterfield and I'm working with Matt and Chesterfield to figure out our schedule on when we're gonna be bouncing that back and forth.

01:12:49 - 01:13:10

Town Hall

And then we have our brush hog for the tractor that's able to do a good number of a little bit of the mowing on every road because you can't drive in the ditches with it and then we can have the mowing attachment on this so everybody can be going and

try to keep up and maintain everything better.

01:13:11 - 01:13:12

Town Hall

How much does that cost?

01:13:12 - 01:13:16

Town Hall

I was just going to ask, are the two attachments included in what you're making?

01:13:16 - 01:13:21

Town Hall

So I haven't gotten the exact quotes from the salesman yet.

01:13:21 - 01:13:22

Town Hall

He was supposed to send them to me.

01:13:22 - 01:13:25

Town Hall

With everything today, I haven't had a chance to look.

01:13:25 - 01:13:29

Town Hall

To my knowledge, it's in the range between 260 and 290.

01:13:31 - 01:13:31

Town Hall

With everything.

01:13:31 - 01:13:32

Town Hall

With city dashboards.

01:13:33 - 01:13:40

Town Hall

You know, I have to say, I do appreciate the forward thinking and the vision that

Rhianna was bringing to the highway department.

01:13:41 - 01:13:43

Town Hall

I mean, this is, you know, I'm new.

01:13:44 - 01:13:44

Town Hall

What do I know?

01:13:44 - 01:14:11

Town Hall

But it seems like it's sort of been a band-aid here a band-aid there instead of looking at what the whole scope of the problem is townwide and I think like all of this right Maybe not the welder, but all of it is like with part of looking looking to the future and You know Investing not spending money but investing money to actually save money in the long term and I think it's really important And I said this to you.

01:14:11 - 01:14:30

Town Hall

I think it's super important that as you continue to tell the story of the highway department, that you keep on letting the town know that if we had had to outsource this because we didn't have an excavator or whatever, it would have cost X number more.

01:14:31 - 01:14:33

Town Hall

Like that's an important story to keep on telling.

01:14:34 - 01:14:39

Town Hall

So I don't disagree with the need that makes perfect sense.

01:14:39 - 01:14:42

Town Hall

I agree with 90% of what you said.

01:14:42 - 01:14:52

Town Hall

The only concern is taking that money from Chapter 90 instead of saving that money to fix the road and using stabilization to pay for the equipment.

01:14:53 - 01:14:54

Town Hall

It is an option.

01:14:54 - 01:15:05

Town Hall

It was just this seemed like the best route to go by to be more effective and turn over because on the pay board.

01:15:05 - 01:15:13

Town Hall

So I was introduced through our state engineer to Sourcewell, which is a government agency that does the procurement process.

01:15:14 - 01:15:17

Town Hall

And they get all the contracts all set.

01:15:17 - 01:15:21

Town Hall

So we go to Sourcewell and say, I want this piece of equipment.

01:15:21 - 01:15:25

Town Hall

They give you the price, procurements taken care of.

01:15:25 - 01:15:28

Town Hall

And this is what Goshen just went through as well.

01:15:29 - 01:15:58

Town Hall

And I had a meeting today with a lady from Sourcewell That also sent me an email of a list of our surrounding towns that also use them and purchase things through

source well And it's not just source well isn't just a procurement tool for me at the highway garage It's a useful thing for heavy here potentially the school and fire department to save time and money and purchasing these items and the direction of Going through the chapter 90.

01:15:58 - 01:16:11

Town Hall

It's just as simple as I get the paperwork from him I get your approval whether you want to call David Stokes the state aid engineer and ask for his opinion directly and Then to move forward with it.

01:16:11 - 01:16:25

Town Hall

It's as simple as just pass I realize it is a select board that gets to decide this as opposed to the town But but is that does that not take money essentially out of your savings account that we would have used to fix the roads.

01:16:28 - 01:17:01

Town Hall

Over a million So David's recommendation was with the 143 project going on currently and unknown potential expenses we leave a quarter million dollars in the chapter 90 account for the project going on which is smart and then we have room and money so money a little bit of money was spent this past year to paint the lines and the roads other than that nothing was done With the Chapter 90.

01:17:01 - 01:17:12

Town Hall

It was kind of dropped off for the year, so we were able to save more money and gives us the option to try to buy this piece of equipment to do more of the work, so it's going to be less money.

01:17:13 - 01:17:15

Town Hall

But you're really not answering my question.

01:17:15 - 01:17:20

Town Hall

How are we ever going to pay to fix the post road if we don't save some money for

it?

01:17:20 - 01:17:44

Town Hall

So what I was working with David about and looking is there's a couple of grants that he recommended to look into that I had mentioned to Deb and Peggy that we look into to work towards with him since he's the state aid engineer to get approved to take care of the bigger expenses of the project so we can take care of other things of it to make it cheaper.

01:17:44 - 01:17:48

Town Hall

Do you know how much it's gonna cost to ultimately pay hold post?

01:17:48 - 01:17:49

Town Hall

A lot.

01:17:50 - 01:17:50

Town Hall

I don't.

01:17:51 - 01:18:15

Town Hall

There's a bottomless box culvert that me and David found in the prints that could be three quarters of a million dollars to replace which is basically turning it into a small bridge and then there's numerous culverts and catch basins that need to be replaced and installed everywhere on the section of road and I do not currently have a cost on that.

01:18:17 - 01:18:20

Town Hall

He had it engineered, I haven't seen anything of a cost yet.

01:18:20 - 01:18:22

Town Hall

He didn't get a cost.

01:18:22 - 01:18:22

Town Hall

No.

01:18:23 - 01:18:37

Town Hall

But Charlie, it seems to me that like spending \$300,000 out of that when we're talking about like a price tag that's well over a million doesn't, it doesn't seem like a huge.

01:18:37 - 01:18:43

Town Hall

And we're due to get much after money from the state deposit and account come towards the end of our fiscal year.

01:18:43 - 01:18:44

Town Hall

For sure.

01:18:44 - 01:18:44

Town Hall

Yeah.

01:18:44 - 01:18:46

Town Hall

And they up the number.

01:18:47 - 01:18:48

Town Hall

Joe has his hand up.

01:18:48 - 01:18:49

Town Hall

Joe, go ahead.

01:18:51 - 01:18:53

JOE BOUDREAU

It appears that the board of.

01:18:53 - 01:18:59

JOE BOUDREAU

Selectmen have not been used to buying equipment out of chapter 90 funds.

01:18:59 - 01:19:03

JOE BOUDREAU

But I'll tell you, it's been done for an awful long time.

01:19:03 - 01:19:04

Town Hall

It.

01:19:04 - 01:19:11

JOE BOUDREAU

Was done in West Hampton while when I was there, um, as Tom account, their excavator came from there.

01:19:11 - 01:19:28

JOE BOUDREAU

And the fact that we're getting, I believe, close to 500 in Chapter 90 this year, and as Rila just said, there's Chapter 90 money left that wasn't spent this current year.

01:19:28 - 01:19:37

JOE BOUDREAU

So this seems to be an opportune time to buy a piece of equipment and not drain down Chapter 90 to nothing.

01:19:37 - 01:19:41

JOE BOUDREAU

You're going to have quite a lot to still do black topping.

01:19:45 - 01:20:02

Town Hall

Yeah, and in telling your whole story about the equipment you're asking for at town meeting and so on Having the be able to say we also we're asking you for this This

ever comes out this came out of this bucket which is Joe is saying it's not unusual.

01:20:02 - 01:20:08

Town Hall

So I think Should be I think Correct.

01:20:10 - 01:20:12

Town Hall

Yeah, so right we're taking statement.

01:20:12 - 01:20:13

Town Hall

Yeah.

01:20:13 - 01:20:13

Town Hall

Yeah.

01:20:13 - 01:20:23

Town Hall

Yeah, so another Local purchase was Windsor bought their brand-new grader just a couple years ago for over a quarter million dollars using their chapter 90 funds.

01:20:26 - 01:20:31

Town Hall

Can I just Ask some background questions because I never understood chapter 90.

01:20:32 - 01:20:32

Town Hall

Yep.

01:20:32 - 01:20:35

Town Hall

It's coming in every year From the state to the town.

01:20:35 - 01:20:37

Town Hall

It's close to half a million dollars.

01:20:37 - 01:20:41

Town Hall

I get that it doesn't all have to be spent in a year sounds like.

01:20:44 - 01:20:45

Town Hall

It can be used for equipment.

01:20:45 - 01:20:47

Town Hall

It can be used for road stuff.

01:20:47 - 01:20:49

Town Hall

Can it be used for new highway garages?

01:20:49 - 01:20:51

Town Hall

It's only for road maintenance.

01:20:52 - 01:20:59

Town Hall

So the common thing that we get for from Chattanooga is based on the road mileage that we have.

01:21:00 - 01:21:00

Town Hall

It's all...

01:21:00 - 01:21:03

Town Hall

It's partially based on population.

01:21:05 - 01:21:07

JOE BOUDREAU

Nice try Bart.

01:21:09 - 01:21:18

Town Hall

This was a major topic in Saturday at Paul Mark's thing of that they are trying to change the formula so it's more based on road models which would benefit us.

01:21:19 - 01:21:33

Town Hall

And really this is a good opportunity for the Almost two million dollars.

01:21:33 - 01:21:35

Town Hall

So it's really.

01:21:40 - 01:21:43

Town Hall

I think my concern was similar to years.

01:21:43 - 01:21:48

Town Hall

What's the opportunity cost of spending the chapter 90 money on an excavator?

01:21:48 - 01:21:54

Town Hall

And it sounds like right now not much that you're not going to be spending \$300 ,000 on bathing this year.

01:21:55 - 01:22:19

Town Hall

Yeah, and you're being you know, it seems like good news to me, but I I think you need, it feels like from this conversation that you need to make a good argument if anyone, like this is all not gonna happen at town meeting, so you don't really have a decent argument about why it is a good expenditure that you're not missing something by spending it on this.

01:22:19 - 01:22:23

Town Hall

I totally get you, it's a fantastic machine and absolutely makes sense.

01:22:24 - 01:22:27

Town Hall

I'm sure the average resident has no clue about chapter 90.

01:22:27 - 01:22:29

Town Hall

No, I didn't before.

01:22:31 - 01:22:32

Town Hall

No, I'm for roads.

01:22:33 - 01:22:34

Town Hall

So it should be spent on roads.

01:22:35 - 01:22:38

Town Hall

My first weekend I call Dave, I go, What is Chapter 90?

01:22:38 - 01:22:41

Town Hall

And he sends me all the information to read up on.

01:22:41 - 01:22:42

Town Hall

We should all be so lucky.

01:22:44 - 01:22:47

Town Hall

And I think it's great that you can I mean, the breaker is fantastic.

01:22:47 - 01:22:49

Town Hall

The mower is also like, yes.

01:22:49 - 01:22:52

Town Hall

All the attachments and it's Mow the trees.

01:22:55 - 01:22:56

Town Hall

Sounds nice.

01:22:56 - 01:22:59

Town Hall

Bart wants to borrow it.

01:23:02 - 01:23:03

[speaker unknown]

Just let us know.

01:23:04 - 01:23:05

Town Hall

For the gravel.

01:23:07 - 01:23:08

Town Hall

I mean, I'm not saying.

01:23:14 - 01:23:16

Town Hall

We had a new article about it.

01:23:27 - 01:23:28

Town Hall

Okay, I'm convinced.

01:23:29 - 01:23:31

Town Hall

We're the ones you have to convince, I guess.

01:23:31 - 01:23:34

Town Hall

Yeah, I think it sounds like a great idea.

01:23:34 - 01:23:35

Town Hall

Perfect.

01:23:35 - 01:23:43

Town Hall

So, yeah, if you get me the, when you have it, the price and a little short description.

01:23:43 - 01:23:50

Town Hall

I mean, you can do a handout to send it to, and I'll have them to check, but yeah, I just like it for making up the Warren article.

01:23:51 - 01:23:52

Town Hall

Well, there's nothing on this one.

01:23:54 - 01:23:55

Town Hall

Never mind.

01:23:56 - 01:23:56

Town Hall

Never mind.

01:23:56 - 01:24:00

Town Hall

I just left so in the Warren article mode for today.

01:24:00 - 01:24:04

Town Hall

I do wonder if it would be worth putting together a little sheet like this.

01:24:04 - 01:24:06

Town Hall

That's right, just to say what we're doing.

01:24:09 - 01:24:15

Town Hall

It's basically a continuation of our, what do you call it, our annual report.

01:24:15 - 01:24:16

Town Hall

Yes.

01:24:16 - 01:24:17

Town Hall

Yes.

01:24:17 - 01:24:18

Town Hall

Yeah.

01:24:19 - 01:24:26

Town Hall

I do want to come and film something, especially I want to talk about the road salt thing we talked about last time, and this would be great to talk about today.

01:24:26 - 01:24:32

Town Hall

And then my last thing that I just wanted to bring out to you is from the ladder inspection getting done today.

01:24:32 - 01:24:33

Town Hall

I took some pictures.

01:24:34 - 01:24:43

Town Hall

I want to go through Mike Mann with Mike as chief, talk to him about it all, but can forward that information to you and maybe do a post of that as well.

01:24:43 - 01:24:45

Town Hall

Because we're all ecstatic about that.

01:24:46 - 01:24:48

Town Hall

It's been a while since it's been on the road.

01:24:48 - 01:24:51

Town Hall

Yep, yeah, you do.

01:24:53 - 01:24:55

Town Hall

Yeah.

01:25:03 - 01:25:04

Town Hall

Okay.

01:25:08 - 01:25:10

Town Hall

Thank you Did you have anything else?

01:25:10 - 01:25:12

Town Hall

No, that should be it.

01:25:12 - 01:25:14

Town Hall

No, I think he wants to go home and take a shower and eat.

01:25:15 - 01:25:19

Town Hall

So whenever you're ready with your form numbers, you come to us for this.

01:25:19 - 01:25:23

Town Hall

Yeah, I should have the paperwork soon, if not today already.

01:25:23 - 01:25:25

Town Hall

Yeah, because you have to be here for next week.

01:25:25 - 01:25:30

Town Hall

So when we vote to suspend back after 91, does DOT still have to look at it and sign off?

01:25:31 - 01:25:42

Town Hall

So after it gets approved here, I have to submit it to David Stokes and give them our source well account number, which I already set out and dealt with in some minutes also.

01:25:44 - 01:25:45

Town Hall

There you go.

01:25:46 - 01:25:46

Town Hall

Thank you.

01:25:47 - 01:25:47

Town Hall

Farewell.

01:25:48 - 01:25:48

Town Hall

Have a good night.

01:25:48 - 01:25:49

Town Hall

Have a good night.

01:25:49 - 01:25:49

Town Hall

Have a good night.

01:25:50 - 01:25:51

Town Hall

Oh, here.

01:25:51 - 01:25:52

Town Hall

You're leaving too, huh?

01:25:55 - 01:25:56

Town Hall

He's going to turn into a pumpkin.

01:25:56 - 01:25:57

Town Hall

All right.

01:25:57 - 01:26:00

Town Hall

So let's talk about dogs.

01:26:01 - 01:26:02

Town Hall

Dogs at Kiptecans.

01:26:02 - 01:26:03

Town Hall

Did you see the story in the paper?

01:26:04 - 01:26:04

Town Hall

Yes.

01:26:05 - 01:26:05

Town Hall

Yes.

01:26:05 - 01:26:06

Town Hall

I heard there was one.

01:26:06 - 01:26:07

Town Hall

I had not seen it.

01:26:07 - 01:26:07

Town Hall

Yes.

01:26:07 - 01:26:09

Town Hall

It's an article in the Gazette.

01:26:09 - 01:26:10

Town Hall

Oh, is there?

01:26:10 - 01:26:10

Town Hall

Yes.

01:26:10 - 01:26:10

Town Hall

What?

01:26:11 - 01:26:12

Town Hall

From when?

01:26:12 - 01:26:14

Town Hall

Oh, was it just today?

01:26:14 - 01:26:16

Town Hall

It's going, that's the same going.

01:26:17 - 01:26:18

Town Hall

And he's still there, huh?

01:26:18 - 01:26:19

Town Hall

Yeah, yeah.

01:26:19 - 01:26:19

Town Hall

Oh, yeah.

01:26:20 - 01:26:21

Town Hall

He's left for a long time.

01:26:21 - 01:26:24

Town Hall

And he's getting better every time.

01:26:24 - 01:26:27

Town Hall

I mean, his articles are better, his questions are better.

01:26:27 - 01:26:30

Town Hall

He calls me with one question, and then we're on the phone for half an hour.

01:26:31 - 01:26:32

Town Hall

Yeah.

01:26:34 - 01:26:36

Town Hall

So, this is...

01:26:36 - 01:26:37

Town Hall

Yeah, sure.

01:26:40 - 01:26:46

Town Hall

So, okay, so I move, no, I was just thinking, but there's explanations to go afterwards, okay.

01:26:46 - 01:26:57

Town Hall

So I move to establish that the select board vote to establish a gift account to accept donations toward the care of the police department dog, such expenditures to be approved by the chief of police.

01:26:58 - 01:26:58

Town Hall

I second.

01:26:59 - 01:27:01

Town Hall

So what does the second part mean?

01:27:02 - 01:27:03

Town Hall

Just who's authorizing the expenditure.

01:27:05 - 01:27:08

Town Hall

So in other words, a bill will come in he'll authorize it to be paid out of this account.

01:27:09 - 01:27:09

Town Hall

That's all.

01:27:09 - 01:27:19

Town Hall

Just like currently a bill comes in, he authorizes it to be, you know, they'll select it to be paid from, you know, maintenance, heating, whatever the heck, and this will be something for the dog that goes to...

01:27:19 - 01:27:21

Town Hall

Will we sign up on other expenses?

01:27:23 - 01:27:27

Town Hall

You will too, still, you know, he'll find a voucher.

01:27:27 - 01:27:28

Town Hall

Yes, it'll be on the warrant.

01:27:29 - 01:27:29

Town Hall

Yeah, Exactly.

01:27:30 - 01:27:30

Town Hall

Yeah.

01:27:31 - 01:27:54

Town Hall

So this came up because apparently they can't accept donations towards the dog and a lot of people are saying, you know, oh we want to give money for food and you know medical care of the dog especially and he felt okay so especially as this grant money just gets expended then we, townspeople would like to give more money to help pay for the dog and that seemed like a good thing.

01:27:57 - 01:28:02

Town Hall

Everyone's excited about the dog, so you know, including us, you know.

01:28:03 - 01:28:21

Town Hall

Anyway, so this, so what I spoke to Eric Kinscherff and what he had said was that we should have the language of this and a copy of the agenda and just send it to him saying if it's approved and then they'll assign it the number.

01:28:22 - 01:28:25

Town Hall

So Michelle, if you could it also helps to have the minutes.

01:28:25 - 01:28:31

Town Hall

So yes, if you could do these minutes relatively soon you've been going crazy with the minutes.

01:28:31 - 01:28:32

Town Hall

It's great.

01:28:32 - 01:28:36

Town Hall

Thank you But yeah, so then I can include that with it too.

01:28:36 - 01:28:40

Town Hall

Oh, well, then I have to wait till after you know He'd be alright with you having it done after next week.

01:28:40 - 01:28:45

Town Hall

Anyway, yeah Right just as soon as it can get done.

01:28:45 - 01:28:48

Town Hall

Yeah, but yeah, it's not a rush People have been trying to give him cash.

01:28:48 - 01:28:49

Town Hall

He's like do not give me.

01:28:53 - 01:28:54

Town Hall

Yeah, she's good.

01:28:56 - 01:28:58

Town Hall

Yes, pictures of somebody handing the police.

01:28:58 - 01:29:00

Town Hall

Oh yeah, that goes on really big.

01:29:01 - 01:29:02

Town Hall

Yeah, now we're talking.

01:29:03 - 01:29:04

Town Hall

Joe, go ahead.

01:29:05 - 01:29:30

JOE BOUDREAU

Yeah, I gave Tammy and the chief a copy of the law, and also a copy of an article that was in City and Town, where the town would set up a consolidated gift account, which is not just one gift, but as many gifts as appropriate would end up into this one

account to be spent without further appropriation.

01:29:32 - 01:29:34

Town Hall

So they have the language for this?

01:29:35 - 01:29:38

JOE BOUDREAU

They have the language of the law that allows it.

01:29:38 - 01:29:39

Town Hall

Oh, OK, that allows it.

01:29:39 - 01:29:40

Town Hall

Ok, because we have the language here.

01:29:40 - 01:29:41

Town Hall

Ok, that's good.

01:29:41 - 01:29:45

Town Hall

Because we have an account that we set up to get money for food during COVID.

01:29:45 - 01:29:46

Town Hall

Right, I know.

01:29:46 - 01:29:47

Town Hall

And there's still money in it.

01:29:48 - 01:29:48

JOE BOUDREAU

Same deal.

01:29:49 - 01:29:50

Town Hall

Yeah.

01:29:50 - 01:29:51

Town Hall

Did we do this last time?

01:29:51 - 01:29:53

Town Hall

Who knows?

01:29:53 - 01:29:54

Town Hall

Don't worry about it.

01:29:55 - 01:29:55

Town Hall

Never mind.

01:29:55 - 01:29:56

Town Hall

Yeah, yeah.

01:29:57 - 01:29:58

Town Hall

Too long ago, I don't think.

01:29:58 - 01:30:00

Town Hall

I know we established it.

01:30:00 - 01:30:00

Town Hall

Yeah, yeah.

01:30:01 - 01:30:03

Town Hall

Yeah, right.

01:30:04 - 01:30:04

Town Hall

It's like food.

01:30:05 - 01:30:07

Town Hall

It is food.

01:30:07 - 01:30:08

Town Hall

Okay, thank you.

01:30:09 - 01:30:10

Town Hall

Oh, we have to vote on it.

01:30:11 - 01:30:12

Town Hall

There's that.

01:30:13 - 01:30:14

Town Hall

Any other discussion?

01:30:15 - 01:30:15

Town Hall

All in favor?

01:30:16 - 01:30:16

Town Hall

Aye.

01:30:18 - 01:30:19

Town Hall

All right.

01:30:20 - 01:30:22

Town Hall

Um letter to the dep.

01:30:22 - 01:30:23

Town Hall

Thank you for doing that.

01:30:23 - 01:30:25

Town Hall

It makes all made sense to me.

01:30:25 - 01:30:42

Town Hall

Okay, I All the paper copies i've talked to some people And nobody kind of knows where anything is that i've been on dep website where they have the electronic information And it just honestly seems like We did some testing.

01:30:42 - 01:30:43

Town Hall

We didn't do it.

01:30:43 - 01:30:49

Town Hall

Well, we did some cleanup and then there was no follow-up testing and so And I think that's it in a nutshell.

01:30:50 - 01:30:51

Town Hall

That's pretty much it.

01:30:51 - 01:30:59

Town Hall

Yeah, so this is just kind of I mean it says like We'll come in like we'd love to see your files and know what the ****'s going on.

01:30:59 - 01:31:04

Town Hall

So yeah, they have it So do they have to respond or what's typical in this situation?

01:31:04 - 01:31:18

Town Hall

I don't know I think I would like to send a letter from the select board and then if they don't respond I can give him a call and be like, hey, what the **** I'm coming in and I know what I'm talking about.

01:31:21 - 01:31:27

Town Hall

So I'll take a motion that we send this letter and then I'll sign it.

01:31:31 - 01:31:38

Town Hall

I move that we sign and send the letter to the DEP concerning the Albert farm property.

01:31:39 - 01:31:39

Town Hall

Second.

01:31:40 - 01:31:41

Town Hall

I think it looks great.

01:31:41 - 01:32:11

Town Hall

If you this movement you'll get some sort of prize I mean if it comes back and to me It's like you just came over the top.

01:32:11 - 01:32:33

Town Hall

Well, I know but seriously, I mean, that's how they cap them I mean if you put like if we can do some testing and get some state grants to just do some set some Testing and they're like, yep, a concrete cap would do it That would be it and it would be Leslie to like how like make that available to town people to be able to go another town park.

01:32:36 - 01:32:39

Town Hall

All right, any discussion on this, beyond that?

01:32:40 - 01:32:40

Town Hall

All in favor?

01:32:41 - 01:32:41

Town Hall

Aye.

01:32:42 - 01:32:42

Town Hall

Okay.

01:32:47 - 01:32:55

Town Hall

And so the next thing is the rules and regulations regarding retiree eligibility of their health insurance coverage.

01:32:55 - 01:32:59

Town Hall

Charlie, I made the adjustment on yours, and I don't know if they do with the one that I had.

01:33:02 - 01:33:13

Town Hall

I thought it would be, this is just my suggestion, that forget about, in number two,

just forget about the- Where is this from?

01:33:13 - 01:33:15

Town Hall

It's on the very, very last page.

01:33:15 - 01:33:18

Town Hall

And you should have a little sticker on it for signing.

01:33:19 - 01:33:21

Town Hall

So maybe it's in here.

01:33:21 - 01:33:22

Town Hall

It's in here.

01:33:23 - 01:33:24

Town Hall

That's all that's on there.

01:33:25 - 01:33:25

Town Hall

Oh, there it is.

01:33:25 - 01:33:26

Town Hall

This is it right here.

01:33:26 - 01:33:27

Town Hall

Thank you.

01:33:27 - 01:33:38

Town Hall

So, number two, it was to be eligible for group health insurance benefits as a retiree.

01:33:38 - 01:33:46

Town Hall

A retiree must have been enrolled in town-sponsored health insurance plan for no less than 12 continuous months as an employee, so no other thing.

01:33:46 - 01:33:53

Town Hall

And then an eligible retiree must elect coverage within 30 days of the date of retirement.

01:33:54 - 01:34:12

Town Hall

Retirement retirees who failed to exercise this so all right so then the rest of that and then the last one number four the retirees enrolled in a group health insurance plan shall be responsible for paying 50% towards the monthly premium cost of the plan.

01:34:12 - 01:34:17

Town Hall

The adaption shall be taken directly from the retirees pension check pursuant to general law.

01:34:19 - 01:34:21

Town Hall

Kirsten does not take.

01:34:23 - 01:34:27

Town Hall

And that will get her behind if she has to rely on it.

01:34:27 - 01:34:29

Town Hall

So it's automatically comes out of retirement.

01:34:29 - 01:34:32

Town Hall

So we're just, so it's that.

01:34:32 - 01:34:34

Town Hall

We just want to vote to adopt this.

01:34:34 - 01:34:34

Town Hall

Yeah.

01:34:34 - 01:34:36

Town Hall

And that's the language from town council.

01:34:36 - 01:34:37

Town Hall

Okay.

01:34:37 - 01:34:40

Town Hall

So again, I just, I will move.

01:34:40 - 01:34:42

Town Hall

I'm sorry, I've gotten you a nickname.

01:34:43 - 01:34:44

Town Hall

It's mostly you.

01:34:45 - 01:34:46

Town Hall

She likes it.

01:34:46 - 01:34:47

Town Hall

Yeah.

01:34:47 - 01:34:47

Town Hall

I don't know.

01:34:48 - 01:34:50

Town Hall

Does that make you second lady?

01:34:50 - 01:34:52

Town Hall

That's probably kind of the majority of it.

01:34:54 - 01:35:04

Town Hall

Ok, so I move that we adopt the rules and regulations regarding entire retiree eligibility for group health insurance coverage.

01:35:05 - 01:35:05

Town Hall

I second.

01:35:07 - 01:35:08

Town Hall

Questions to session.

01:35:09 - 01:35:10

Town Hall

I was going to say I love this.

01:35:11 - 01:35:14

Town Hall

I was a little worried about this part that you have to decide.

01:35:14 - 01:35:16

Town Hall

I love this section three.

01:35:16 - 01:35:19

Town Hall

You've got 30 days if you decline, that's it.

01:35:19 - 01:35:26

Town Hall

You can't come back to us later and say, well, you know, I'm still a retiree and now I would like to do it.

01:35:26 - 01:35:27

Town Hall

No good.

01:35:27 - 01:35:28

Town Hall

All right.

01:35:28 - 01:35:28

Town Hall

I like that.

01:35:30 - 01:35:30

Town Hall

Yes.

01:35:30 - 01:35:33

Town Hall

We don't have any retirees in the audience.

01:35:35 - 01:35:35

Town Hall

No.

01:35:36 - 01:35:37

Town Hall

All right.

01:35:38 - 01:35:39

JOE BOUDREAU

Good night, everyone.

01:35:40 - 01:35:40

Town Hall

Good night.

01:35:44 - 01:35:45

Town Hall

Okay.

01:35:45 - 01:35:46

Town Hall

Good job.

01:35:46 - 01:35:47

Town Hall

It's adopted.

01:35:59 - 01:36:06

Town Hall

And the last thing is minutes, informational items, disposal tonnage, is that in there too?

01:36:06 - 01:36:07

Town Hall

Yep.

01:36:11 - 01:36:17

Town Hall

We have exactly five minutes here, three of them are executive sessions, so I thought put it on the agenda.

01:36:18 - 01:36:20

Town Hall

It's this one page that's analyzed yet.

01:36:22 - 01:36:24

Town Hall

Thank you.

01:36:24 - 01:36:27

Town Hall

It's like you've got this on there, you can hang up.

01:36:27 - 01:36:28

Town Hall

We'll see you next week.

01:36:32 - 01:36:33

Town Hall

Bye bye, Bart.

01:36:35 - 01:36:36

[speaker unknown]

So.

01:36:40 - 01:36:41

Town Hall

Are these the same?

01:36:41 - 01:37:57

Town Hall

Calendar year 2025 they're probably so is this in the folder if I want to there's three four quarters but that's that we did the road restriction by law so let's sign some minutes so i will take a motion to accept the minutes as written for march 26 and 25 as well as executive sessions on the 26th 31st and 22 on the 26th yeah there's three exactly two on the 2631 what's the other executive one 2631 and so there's 26 so 5 is 31st at 5 there's 26 and 6.5 oh right there were several on the yeah this is this is the.

01:38:05 - 01:38:08

Town Hall

So we're going to move to accept those.

01:38:09 - 01:38:09

Town Hall

Sure.

01:38:10 - 01:38:23

Town Hall

I move that we accept the minutes for 3.26 and 3.25 and including executive session minutes for 3.26, 3.30, and 3.31, if that's it.

01:38:23 - 01:38:24

Town Hall

Yep.

01:38:24 - 01:38:24

Town Hall

Okay.

01:38:25 - 01:38:25

Town Hall

Good job.

01:38:25 - 01:38:26

Town Hall

What's happening?

01:38:27 - 01:38:28

Town Hall

Any flavor?

01:38:30 - 01:38:31

Town Hall

I...

01:38:31 - 01:38:32

Town Hall

You're just waiting for me to finish eating.

01:38:33 - 01:38:33

Town Hall

Go ahead.

01:38:37 - 01:38:37

Town Hall

Alright.

01:38:43 - 01:38:43

Town Hall

I don't...

01:38:43 - 01:38:44

Town Hall

I no longer know what happened.

01:38:48 - 01:38:49

Town Hall

Oh!

01:38:49 - 01:38:50

Town Hall

It's adorable!

01:38:50 - 01:38:51

Town Hall

Alright, let's...

01:38:51 - 01:38:53

Town Hall

She's showing me her shirt.

01:38:53 - 01:38:55

Town Hall

Is it a boy or a girl?

01:38:55 - 01:38:56

Town Hall

That's my girl.

01:38:57 - 01:38:57

Town Hall

Oh!

01:38:57 - 01:38:57

Town Hall

Did you get a new dog?

01:38:58 - 01:38:59

Town Hall

I'm about to.

01:39:00 - 01:39:01

Town Hall

Sunday!

01:39:01 - 01:39:01

Town Hall

Okay.

01:39:02 - 01:39:03

Town Hall

Beautiful.

01:39:03 - 01:39:03

Town Hall

Beautiful.

01:39:05 - 01:39:06

Town Hall

I didn't have one.

01:39:06 - 01:39:07

Town Hall

A little puppy?

01:39:07 - 01:39:07

Town Hall

Yes.

01:39:08 - 01:39:08

Town Hall

Hello.

01:39:09 - 01:39:10

Town Hall

Wow, look at that.

01:39:10 - 01:39:10

Town Hall

Hi.

01:39:12 - 01:39:16

Town Hall

The breeder sent me that and I was like, Oh my God, is she really that cute?

01:39:17 - 01:39:18

Town Hall

Oh my God, that is such a sweet.

01:39:18 - 01:39:22

Town Hall

It's a good thing that puppies are cute because they're puppies.

01:39:22 - 01:39:22

Town Hall

Yes.

01:39:23 - 01:39:31

Town Hall

Six years ago we said we're never getting And I think we've said it nine years ago and I think we've said it since two years ago.

01:39:31 - 01:39:32

Town Hall

It's how it always is.

01:39:33 - 01:39:35

Town Hall

Oh, it's adorable.

01:39:35 - 01:39:36

Town Hall

So it's Sunday.

01:39:38 - 01:39:40

Town Hall

So you have to bring her by.

01:39:40 - 01:39:41

Town Hall

Yeah, really, I was going to say.

01:39:44 - 01:39:50

Town Hall

All right, and this one you want me to convert I assume is in the corner.

01:39:50 - 01:39:51

Town Hall

Yeah.

01:39:51 - 01:39:51

Town Hall

I think I would answer.

01:39:52 - 01:39:54

Town Hall

Okay, so that's everything on the agenda.

01:39:54 - 01:40:01

Town Hall

Anybody have any comment before we close yeah all right so this meeting is adjourned thank you yep.