Minutes for the East Montpelier Selectboard

January 15, 2024 East Montpelier/Calais Special Joint Selectboard Meeting

This meeting was a joint meeting with the Calais Selectboard held in-person at the Municipal building with a remote participation option using the Zoom conferencing platform.

SB Attendance: Chair Seth Gardner, Carl Etnier, Zoe Christiansen, Town Administrator ("TA") Gina Jenkins

Calais SB Attendance: Jamie Moorby, Anne Toolan, Jordan Keyes, Anne Winchester, Calais Town Administrator ("TA") Kari Bradley

In-Person Public Attendance: James Dailey (Woodbury FD, EMFD), Jay Copping (EMFD), Rose Pelchuck, Greg Pelchuck (EMFD), Paul Guare (EMFD), James Dailey (EMFD), Thomas Parker (EMFD), Sandy Conti (EMFD), Paul Cerutti (Woodbury FD Chief), Albert Petrella (EMFD Chief), Tom Brazier (EMFD), ORCA Media

Remote Public Attendance:

Chair Gardner called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Additions to Agenda: None

Public Comment: None

Special Joint Meeting with the Calais Selectboard to Discuss EMFD FY2025 Budget

- Discussion on EMFD FY2025 Budget
- Discussion on Potential Amendments to the Interlocal Agreement Between East Montpelier, Calais and EMFD.

The Selectboards and EMFD representatives reviewed the EMFD FY2025 fire and ambulance budgets. The attendees discussed the sources of revenue, the town service contracts, insurance reimbursements, ambulance billing, staffing challenges and the capital budget.

The result of the discussion was a consensus to reduce EM FY2025 ambulance budget by \$10,000 from \$293,806 to \$283,806.

Other Business

None.

Motion: To adjourn. Made by Mr. Etnier, second by Ms. Christiansen. Passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Gina Jenkins.

Approved February 26, 2024 meeting.