Attendees:
Select Board: Mike Pinkham, Bethany Leavitt, and Reginald “Bud” Means
Town Manager: Stacy Tozier, Town Clerk: Yvette Grindle
Audience: Mike Pinkham II, Larry Tozier, Gib Buell, and Malachy Flynn from the Ellsworth American

Call to Order

Michael Pinkham called the meeting to order at 5:00pm.

Approval of the January 9th Minutes

Bethany Leavitt moved with discussion. Reginald “Bud” Means 2nd and the motion passed 3/0.

Treasure’s Warrant and Abatements

Michael Pinkham discussed the 2 bills for fuel at the Frank Dedmon Fire Station and paying $50 an hour for shoveling at the fire stations. Bethany Leavitt asked about the cost of a laptop for the EMS Chief and if the town has labels to denote such equipment belongs to the town of Sullivan. The Town currently does not. Bethany Leavitt asked for clarification of item number #9 on the list of abatements. Michael Pinkham explained how the previous year’s abatement was handled for this particular property.

Michael Pinkham also noted that the citizens should keep the town officials updated on changes that may affect taxes (such as removal of buildings) so that the town could keep better records that may help with assessing.

New Business

5 person Select Board
Tabled

Fire Truck

The Warrant for the Special Town Meeting was reviewed and Reginald “Bud” Means asked about the truck standards for volunteer fire departments and if it was possible to refurbish the current truck. Chief Michael Pinkham II stated it was not feasible to refurbish the current truck. Larry Tozier asked if it was possible for one person to run a pumper truck or would it need 2-man crew. Chief Pinkham stated that it was preferred to have 2-man crew but in a pinch 1 man could run the pumper.

Bethany Leavitt questioned if there should be a ballot instead of a show of hands at the Special Town Meeting? The Town Manager will check with the Town’s Attorney.

Bethany Leavitt moved to put a notice about the Public Hearing in the Ellsworth American for February 9th. Reginald “Bud” Means 2nd the motion, and it passed 3/0.
The Town Manager will check to see if we can have Special Town meeting same night after the Public Hearing. If not, the Special Town Meeting will be on February 23rd at 5pm.

Discussion was held about item #3 being on the warrant for the Special Town Meeting.

Bethany Leavitt moved that the Town Manager post the Warrant as written for the Special Town Meeting. Michael Pinkham 2nd the motion and the motion passed 3/0.

Michael Pinkham moved that the Town Manager add the Select Board’s recommendation of the approval of the purchase of the fire truck to the warrant. Bethany Leavitt 2nd the motion and it passed 3/0.

**Schoodic Scenic Byway- Sinclair Property**

Schoodic Scenic Byway has funding to purchase the property but queried if the funding for the removal of the buildings was not able to be obtained, would it be possible for the town to fund the removal at the estimated cost of $19,700. Michael Pinkham stated that it would have to be voted on at the Annual Town Meeting in June. Bethany Leavitt expressed concerns about adding more cost to the budget, and agreed it should go before the town at the Annual Town Meeting in June. Michael Pinkham offered to reach out to the Byway committee to let them know we would have to wait on a decision in June and we would like more information, and if the quote presented by the Byway committee included abatement for lead and other toxins.

Michael Pinkham moved he reach out to the Schoodic Scenic Byway committee asking them to come before the Select Board so it could be put on the warrant for the Annual meeting in June. Bethany Leavitt 2nd the motion and it passed 3/0.

**Old Business**

**Roads and 911**
Bethany Leavitt presented a job description for Road Commissioners. Following a discussion of duties of Road Commissioner, Bethany Leavitt asked if we had the tools for installing road signs, such as break away post, dig safe signage and expressed the need to purchase the items needed.

Michael Pinkham moved Bethany Leavitt be allowed to buy the post hole digger and other items needed for installing the road signs. Reginald “Bud” Means 2nd the motion and it passed 3/0.

Michael Pinkham II brought up a culvert being washed out on Tucker Mountain Road and the need to get it fixed quickly.

Gib Buell brought up the tree growth at the end of the Quarry Road and the need to trim the trees back.

Reginald “Bud” Means presented an estimate of $4,250 from Dennis Sargent Jr. for cutting the trees back on the Morancy Road at Fremont's Corner. Gib Buell asked about the right away clearance, if too much was to be cut back.

**Public Comment**
Gib Buell asked who oversaw the old dump and stated that ATVs were utilizing the site and disturbing the turf, stating that the turf was being eroded with the ATV usage coming from the Hog Bay side. Mr. Buell also noted ATV traffic has increased in that area in the past few years. The Select Board discussed placing more large stones and signage to deter ATV traffic in that area.

**Select Board Comment**

Bethany Leavitt expressed concerns that the town has an increase in the aging population and that the Select Board needs to consider the cost to the next generation.

Michael Pinkham stated he had an individual contact him about a stray cat biting him in the fleshy part of his hand. Michael Pinkham advised the individual to go and get a rabies shot as preventive care as there was no way of knowing if the cat had rabies or been vaccinated. The individual did go and receive treatment.

**Adjournment**

Bethany Leavitt moved to adjourn
Reginald “Bud” Means 2nd the motion and it passed 3/0. Meeting adjourned at 7pm

[Signatures]

Michael Pinkham
Bethany Leavitt
Reginald “Bud” Means