



Gary Anderson addressing the BOS

Nottingham Board of Selectmen Meeting January 16, 2023.

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Following a snow-filled morning and on the national observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, the Nottingham Board of Selectmen (BOS) met Monday at 6:30 PM on January 16, 2023, in the Community Center. The COVID Nottingham: 6 new cases last 14 days; 1214 total (0 new) as of January 16, 2023. Present were all 5 members of the Board, Ben Bartlett, Donna Danis, Tiler Eaton, John Morin, and Tony Dumas as well as the Interim Town Administrator (ITA), John Scruton, and Gary Anderson.

After the Pledge, the BOS heard from Gary Anderson. Anderson is a member of the [Nottingham Facility Assessment Committee](#) and the author of Warrant Article (WA) “M”. He was there to clarify the WA which was recommended by the 3/2 at its January 9, 2023 meeting. He read the article. “Shall the Town of Nottingham raise and appropriate \$40,000 for the calendar year of 2023 in order to contract with a property management firm to make repairs to facilities as needed according to priority as determined by the Select Board and to provide maintenance of facility grounds?” At its meeting [January 9, 2023](#), the BOS was concerned that the term “property management firm” had precluded individual contractors. Gary offered this reason for hiring a firm. He compared the town to an apartment building with a firm taking care of all the maintenance within the building. It would have at its disposal electrical, plumbing, and construction workers. The BOS suggested the term “property management firm/resource” be added at the Deliberative Session (DS), It also wanted it to be clear that a total of \$40,000 for all projects that were also prioritized. After a Non-public session, the BOS returned to a Public Meeting with Ben Bartlett now there. The BOS with his clarifications recommends it 5-0.



The Blaisdell Memorial Library Sign

The BOS accepted the order of the Warrant Articles for the Deliberative Session as follows: 1., the election process for town officers, 2-5 Zoning articles, 6 Main Budget, 7 Town Buildings (fund balance) Town Building Maintenance Expendable Trust, 8 Engineering (fund balance)Engineering Culverts & Library Parking, 9 Revaluation (fund balance) Revaluation Capital Reserve, 10 Ambulance Operating (Ambulance fund)Ambulance Operations, 11 Roads \$400,000 Road Reconstruction/Paving, 12 Highway Truck \$100,000 Highway Truck Capital Reserve, 13 Fire/SCBA \$100,000 Fire Vehicle/SCBA Capital Reserve, 14 Police Tech fund, \$10,000 Police Technology Expendable Trust, 15 Invasive Species \$10,000Invasive Species ETF, 16 Library door \$6,000 Library Entrance, 17 Veterans Tax Credit Update Veteran's credit, 18 Maintenance firm \$40,000 Petitioned Maintenance-Petitioned, and 19. Revoke Tax Cap Petitioned Rescind Tax Cap-Petitioned

The BOS also approved its minute from January 3, 2023. ITA reported the problems with the library furnace. The BOS approved its replacement by Beaudette Plumbing at approximately \$7,000 to come from the Town Building Maintenance and Repair Expendable Trust Fund. He noted the need to replace the Town Office-Community Center water pressure tanks. The BOS approved the Town Building Maintenance and Repair Expendable Trust Fund instead of ARPA to do so. Danis distributed a draft of the Selectmen's Annual Report for the Town Report for review and comment. Mr. Bartlett offered to help write the memorial statement. It was suggested that Steve Soreff and Steve Welch write the dedication to the Town Report to honor the 300th Anniversary Committee and include those who did the work by name.

The BOS will hold its regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, January 23, 2023. And a reminder, [The filing period for Town and School](#) elected positions starts Wednesday, January 25th, and ends Friday, February 3, 2023. The voting is at Nottingham School from 7 AM to 7 PM on Tuesday, March 14th, 2023. The Town Deliberative Session is Saturday, February 4th at 9 AM at the Nottingham School. If it snows, the snow date will be Monday, February 6th at 6 PM. The School Deliberative Session is Wednesday, February 8th at 6 PM at the School. If it snows, the snow date will be Friday, February 10th at 6 PM.

