## TOWN OF BRANDON MINUTES INFORMATION MEETING MAY 20, 2024

Present: Select Board Members Doug Bailey, Ralph Ethier, Tim Guiles, Heather Fjeld-Nelson and Brian Coolidge, Town Manager Seth Hopkins, Moderator Bill Moore, Clerk Susan Gage and 14 voters.

Moderator Bill Moore called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm and led attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance. Moderator Moore then addressed the ground rules of the meeting and urged participants to maintain civility. Following the reading of the warning, Wendy Rowe Feldman motioned to open article 1, seconded by Linda Gebhard.

To hear a presentation by the Select Board of its revised budget for fiscal year 2024-2025. This budget will be voted by Australian Ballot on Tuesday, May 21, 2024, at the Brandon American Legion Post #55, 550 Franklin Street, Brandon, VT, between the hours of 7 am and 7 pm.

Board Chair Doug Bailey led the presentation of the revised budget for fiscal year 2025. Presentation was focused on work areas and comparing the fiscal year 2024 budget to the proposed budget going before voters on May 21<sup>st</sup>. Mr. Bailey also went through the property tax estimator with varying assessed values so that attendees could see the effect of the budget on property taxes.

Jan Coolidge asked whether the estimator included the appropriations that were voted on town meeting day. Town Manager Seth Hopkins replied that it did not, but did include the paving appropriation further down in the estimator.

- 2. To transact any other business proper to be done when met. No one raised any other business.
- 3. Adjourn.

Motion to adjourn was made by Clerk Sue Gage, seconded by Jeff Cohen. Meeting was adjourned at 7:24 pm.

Susan Gage, Clerk

Bill Moore, Moderator