

**Special Select Board Meeting**  
**Mount Holly Town Office**  
**October 30, 2024**  
**\*\*4:00 pm\*\***

**MINUTES**

**Attendance:** Mark Turco (chair), Diana Garrow, Jeff Chase, Elizabeth Karle, Merrill Bent (via phone)

1. **Call to Order** at 4:00 pm.
2. **Discuss Susco Bankruptcy Case.** Mr. Turco noted that he had discussed with the town attorney the Susco case and the Reservation of Rights documents provided by PACIF (the Town's insurer) regarding their representation of the Town in the Susco bankruptcy case. Merrill Bent, Town Attorney, called in to the meeting to offer guidance regarding PACIF's documents requiring signature. Ms. Bent noted that she will remain involved at a minimal cost to the Town, for any services not covered by PACIF, but confirmed that PACIF had assigned the case to Kevin L. Kite, Esq. at Carroll, Boe, Pell & Kite, P.C.. Mr. Turco made a motion to defend against the complaints filed against the Town in the Susco bankruptcy case; Jeff Chase seconded; unanimously approved.
3. **Discuss Town Employee Health Insurance Options.** Town Treasurer Elizbaeth Karle made a recommendation to the Select Board to shift the Town's employee health insurance plan from the Blue Cross Blue Shield of Vermont Platinum plan to a plan offered by MVP; she noted that the plan she is suggesting is also an excellent plan, but could be offered to employees at a lower cost to the Town while keeping out-of-pocket costs low for the employees. The new plan could be paired with an integrated Health Reimbursement Account that would replace the current HRA plan offered by Health Equity. Ms. Karle provided modeling documents to show varying scenarios for employees and for the Town budget, for the Select Board's review. The Board agreed to make specific plan selections at the regular meeting, but agreed that switching insurance companies would be in both the employees' and Town's best interests. Ms. Garrow made a motion to switch from BCBSVT to MVP; Mr. Chase seconded; unanimously approved.
4. **Adjourned** at 4:20 pm