

## **Sudbury Select Board**

### **Liberty Ledge/Sewataro Subcommittee Virtual Meeting**

**Thursday, January 15, 2026**

**7:00 p.m.**

**Subcommittee Members Present:** Dan Carty and Janie Dretler

**Others present:** n/a

Member Dretler called the meeting to order at 7:00pm, read pertinent legal information relative to remote meetings into the record and called roll; both members identified as present. Members agreed that Dan would take minutes for this meeting and that the task would alternate between members going forward.

Dan stated that he had no issue with Janie being Chair and requested that he be provided with a draft agenda in advance of meetings as was being done on the Select Board Policy Subcommittee. He added that he had to go to the town website to obtain the agenda for this meeting. Next he questioned the need for public comment. Discussion ensued; Janie suggested it be brought back to the full Select Board for discussion and Dan agreed.

Janie next suggested a subcommittee meeting cadence in between full Select Board meetings as this topic would be discussed on each full Board meeting. Dan agreed. Dates for the next few meetings were discussed and members agreed to a next meeting on January 28<sup>th</sup>, 2026, at 7:00pm and set tentative meetings dates for February 12<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>, both at 7:00pm.

Janie called for public comment. Len Simon of Meadowbrook Circle was recognized. He stated that he believed public comment should be part of this subcommittee meetings going forward, and added that the future of the Liberty Ledge property should be in the hands of the town as a whole and not limited to 5 members of the Select Board, perhaps through a committee

made up town residents. He gave opinion of what information said committee should be provided.

Next the subcommittee's purpose and scope of work were discussed. Dan asked for clarification if the subcommittee was to compile information or do analysis. He added that he believed the scope was to provide information and not provide analysis or advice and requested that the full board re-word the mission statement accordingly. Janie stated that discussion could be held with the full board.

Janie moved next to the overview of property and existing materials and referred to a draft document she had created. She screen-shared the document, referred to it as a compilation, and began stepping through the table of contents and various sections. Dan thanked Janie for putting the document together and suggested that she go through the outline of the document but that he would need more time to digest the information. He stated he would review once he had a copy of the document. He noted that he had a similar timeline of events in mind and would be adding suggestions of his own. Discussion continued with regards to various sections and document sources in the document as well as possible edits and additions.

Janie then discussed next steps, including members making edits or additions, interim reporting expectations to the full Board, and specifics to be discussed at the Tuesday January 20, 2026, Select Board meeting. Janie stated she would send Dan a copy of the document discussed, and Dan asked that members share materials to be discussed in advance of subcommittee meetings. Janie questioned if materials could be shared in advance without violating open meeting law and that she would ask Town Manager Sheehan at the next full board meeting. Dan asked if the rules of engagement with town staff should subcommittee members have questions also be addressed at that meeting.

Meeting was adjourned by unanimous vote at 7:44pm.