Selectboard minutes
October 6, 2026

Present: Jeff Kauffman, Sr, Terry Phillips, Starr Phillips, Kay Mitchell, E. Armstrong, R.L. Waterman, Brett Barbur, Geoffrey Grant, Chris Stackhouse, Bryan Nolan, Peter Briggs, Alma Briggs, Peter MacFarlane, Marty Haitz, Matt Kurtz, Chris Carella, Stephen Torrey, Keith Craig

Jeff Called the meeting to order at 6:31PM.

Additions to the Meeting: Add Listers Errors and Omissions and Mike Roy from CEACAC. Motion by Roger, second Peter. All in favor

Approve minutes: September 1: P/R 5 in favor/0 opposed
September 14 R/G 5/0
September 17 R/G 3 in favor, 2 abstain
September 24 G/R 3 in favor, 2 abstain
Highway: Bryan reported that he has an employee that will begin on October 19, and 2 good applications. He also recommended that we consider ordering a truck body in 2027 as the manufacturers are 2.5 years out.

Town Clerk/Treasurer: Board decided not to send out a letter to dog owners. W4's were handed out again, and a reminder about ethics training for those new to the board.
The board discussed the request from the clerk and assistant and approved the request to fund the 4 day training in NH with related expenses. G/C 4 in favor, 1 abstain

Bills: General and Highway: G/C pending clarification on Bond payment: 5 in favor
Highway timesheets G/R 4 in favor, 1 abstain
General timesheets: G/P 4 in favor, 1 abstain

Board Business:
Jeff reported vacancies in the planning commission and board clerk. Planning vacancy will be posted, board chose not to take action on one interested in clerk position.
Jeff reported that he had been contacted about paying taxes in installment. This would require a townwide vote. After discussion, the board will continue to look into this possibility.
Errors and Omissions: Voted to accept the corrected acreage for Ethan Gevry G/P 5 in favor
Jeff reported that the planning commission is looking into ATV's on the roads as part of their recreation plan so the board will defer to them on this initiative.

Delinquent Tax Collector: $74,0893.17 outstanding from 2023-2025
Town Hall Mini-Grant (MURF) Chris introduced Mike Roy who presented the work of NEACAC in consulting with residents on energy efficiency and networks resources. Board approved MURGF funding to go NEACAC and plan an energy summit in early 2027. C/G 5 in favor

Emergency Management: Marty reported on grant opportunities that he and Bryan will work on, and AARP grants that he will talk to the Rental Committee about. Emergency management has received comments from VEM and Marty will review those and get the committee back together to review. He reported that the Eaton Cemetery Fence has been repaired, a Grant spreadsheet has been compiled, Potash Bay design stage will finish in Q1 of 2027, with construction to begin in Q2 depending on funding.

Planning: Resignation from board. PC will nominate a replacement

Facility Rental Committee: approved Carol Kauffman to the Board upon request from Chair Susan Tribou. Elizabeth questioned the conflict of interest and inquired about Jefgf's role on the board. R/G 4 in favor, 1 abstain

Community Center: A copy of renters was shared. The alarm system was inspected in September, and Control Tech has been working on the HV system. 6 of the actuators are defective and 3 Logix needs repair. We will get an estimate on this. Back rooms are in the process of renovation, and the extinguishers are due for inspection in October.

Elizabeth presented a bid for cleanup at Eaton Cemetery. She would like to apply for a grant with VOCA. Jeff explained that as a committee not associated with the Town, we could not do a matching amount. The board will see what repaired money is still available for repairs.

News Items: Cheri has completed her Certified Treasurer course and received a certificate, and GMP will be brush moving along power lines.

Motion to adjourn: P/C 5 in favor.