

## UNAPPROVED

### SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES

September 17, 2025

This meeting was called to order by Todd Davidson, Chair, at 6:00 pm at the Dummerston Town Office in Dummerston, Vermont & on Zoom.

**Members present:** Todd Davidson, Maria Glabach, Skip Fletcher

**Members present on Zoom:** Paul Adler, Tom Nolan

**Members absent:** none

**Also present:** Cindy Jerome, Peter Kelleher -BCTV.

**Also Present on Zoom:** Franny Thorndike, Chris Brown

#### **Minutes:**

On a motion by Todd and second from Paul the Board voted 4-0 with Skip abstaining to approve the minutes from September 3, 2025.

On a motion by Todd and second from Skip the Board voted 4-0 with Paul abstaining to approve the minutes from September 8, 2025 special meeting.

#### **Warrants:**

On a motion by Todd and second from Tom the Board voted 5-0 to approve payment of warrants 6, 6P, Conservation Commission #4, Ratify 5R.

Skip asked about the sheriff's and animal control contracts. Paul will look into getting more details.

#### **Public Comments:**

Cindy Jerome, Town Moderator, moved out of Town. She has checked with Bob Fisher regarding the procedure for Town Meeting in March 2026. There needs to be an article on the Town Meeting Warning for a vote to allow her to moderate the meeting. The Selectboard Chair will first call the meeting to order, present the article, take a vote, if in the affirmative Cindy will take over the meeting as Moderator. Anyone interested in serving as Moderator will need to take out a petition and run for election. Cindy will get the Board the article language needed for the warning.

Library/Community Center – No Discussion. Todd will write an article for the Views. This will remain on the agenda. Maria will send Paul Chapman's email to the Board and Todd will send Dena's thoughts.

The Board received an email today from Michelle Cherrier regarding obstructed sight lines at the intersection of East-West Road and Schoolhouse Road. Todd will follow up.

**Road Foreman's Report:** none

**Correspondence for Information:** No Discussion

**Correspondence for Discussion and/or Action:** none

**New Business:**

Town Moderator discussion – Moved up on the agenda, see Public Comment

Town fill dirt policy/fees – The Zoning Administrator is stating a permit and \$65.00 fee is needed for the Road Crew to dump dirt from ditching's at residents properties. Maria had never heard of this policy and questioned why people would need a permit/fee for their own dirt. Todd thought it was when they were trucking it across Town and it was similar to the curb cut permit. Skip mentioned that when he worked for the Town of Brattleboro, they were always looking for spots to dump material.

On a motion by Todd and second from Skip the Board voted 5-0 to eliminate the permit and fee for Dummerston residents.

Action on court zoning decision for Ellie's Pet Care:

On a motion by Paul and second from Skip the Board voted 4-0 with Todd abstaining to not contest the court ruling.

On a motion by Maria and second from Todd the Board voted 5-0 to recess the meeting and convene as the Liquor Control Board at 6:25 pm.

On a motion by Todd and second from Skip the Board voted 5-0 to approve the Special Event Permit for Scott Farm event on 11/2/2025 9am-6pm.

On a motion by Maria and second from Todd the Board voted 5-0 to adjourn as the Liquor Control Board and reconvene the meeting at 6:26 pm.

(Added to the Agenda):

On a motion by Todd and second from Paul the Board voted 5-0 to appoint Cami Elliot to the Social Services Advisory Committee. Todd will let her know.

(Added to the Agenda):

On a motion by Todd and second from Maria the Board voted 5-0 to approve tax late fee refunds to property owners due to an error by the escrow company.

**Unfinished Business:**

ARPA Update:

Email sent to Laurie regarding Town Office flooring project.

Planning Commission is suggesting perhaps Conservation Commission could use the \$1,000.00 for a grant instead of the Planning Commission. Todd will ask the Conservation Commission.

Budget meeting on Wednesday, 9/24 at 6:00 pm. Prospect Hill Trustee meeting prior to budget meeting at 5:00 pm.

**Future Agenda Items:**

Investment of Town funds  
Speed limit on Town dirt roads  
Grant writing  
Library/Community Center  
Annual employee reviews

**Next Meeting Agenda:**

Community Center/Library  
Animal Control Reports

There being no other business to come before the Board, Todd made the motion and second from Skip, the meeting adjourned at 6:35 pm.

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Approved

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Todd Davidson, Chair

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Paul Adler, Vice-Chair

Submitted by Maria Glabach, Clerk