

## UNAPPROVED

### SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES

June 10, 2026

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, Terry Chapman, Alex Lockie

**Members present on Zoom:** Paul Adler

**Members absent:** none

**Also present:** Ruth Hoffman, David Baker, Larry Lynch, Larry Pratt, Shawn Stone, Jan Van-Oene-BCTV

**Also Present on Zoom:** Linda DeCarlo-Burns, Jeanne Frost

#### **Minutes:**

On a motion by Terry and second from Todd the Board voted 5-0 to approve the minutes from May 27, 2026.

#### **Warrants:**

On a motion by Terry and second from Maria the Board voted 5-0 to approve payment of warrants 25 & 25P and Conservation Commission #16.

**Public Comments:** None

#### **Road Foreman's Report:**

DV Fiber – Hill Road digging in ROW – tabled until 6/24.

**Correspondence for Information:** no discussion

#### **Correspondence for Discussion and/or Action:**

Film Shoot Request Changed from June to August – see below in New Business

Semiquincentennial planning - no plans at this time.

#### **New Business:**

Dummerston Center Water Update:

The Board discussed with the Church, Fire Department and Grange. David Baker with the Church stated the Fire Dept. may need a booster pump and softener system. The Church does not have the space for a softener system. Larry Pratt stated the Fire Department is concerned about the effect of hard water on the fire equipment. Larry Lynch stated the Grange is in favor of a new well pump. Paul Adler will get pricing on 1. New submersible pump, 2. Softener system and booster pump at the Fire Station. Larry Lynch asked if the Town should be facilitating this or should the Church be. The well is on Church property.

Film Shoot Request Changed from June to August. Jeanne Frost stated the filming will be done prior to August 10<sup>th</sup>. Laurie will be setting up on the 10<sup>th</sup> for the primary elections on the 11<sup>th</sup>.

The Fire Department, Grange and Church are all okay with filming. Jeanne asked that lawn mowing be suspend at the end of July so the film will depict a more “wild” look. Maria will contact Brett Castine and let him know not to mow the Town Common and Office after the end of July.

**Community Center & Library Updates:**

Todd sent the Memorandum of Understanding to the Town Attorney and is waiting for a reply.

**County Tax Increase over budget.**

Todd sent an email to Nader Hashim, State Representative. Nader will look into and follow up. Todd also sent an email to the County Clerk.

Reminder, Views article due 6/16 – Alex will write something up about the Miller Fund. He will send it out to the Board to proofread.

**Investing Funds in Certificate of Deposits:**

Todd went to the bank to discuss ways to invest town funds. The bank will send the Board a proposal with options. Funds briefly considered for investing: Cemetery, Farmland Protection, Blasting & Crushing, and Joint Putney/Dummerston Gravel Pit Reclamation Fund. This will stay on the agenda.

On a motion by Todd and second from Terry the Board voted 5-0 to approve an expenditure of \$1,325.00 from the Restoration Fund to purchase archival binders as requested by Laurie.

**Other Business:**

The Board received a complaint from a Rice Farm Road resident. Lee should deal with this when he gets back. Todd will follow up with the resident.

Alex would like to look at a local options tax.

Linda DeCarlo-Burns asked about the insurance policies at the Community Center. Todd spoke with Richards Insurance and that policy is being reviewed. Terry suggested getting a hold of Wade Masure with PACIF. Linda stated a signed liability waiver will be needed for the mowing and cleaning at the Community Center/Library. No agreement has been signed by the retiring Community Center Board for personal property.

Larry Pratt talked about the Fire Department trying to sell Engine 3 and not having much luck. He will trying reducing the price to \$9,999.00. Terry thought it had already sold. Larry stated, he was being parked at Trustee, Shawn Stone’s. Terry suggested to Larry, that he ask Laurie if the insurance will cover the truck parked at a private residence.

**Unfinished Business:** none

**Future Agenda Items:**

Investment of Town funds – Review Policy  
Speed limit on Town dirt roads

Grant writing  
Annual employee reviews  
Cemetery Committee 6/24  
DV Fiber 6/24

There being no other business to come before the Board, Todd made the motion and second from Terry, the meeting adjourned at 6:58 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