

BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES

MONDAY JULY 6, 2026

6:00PM

1. **Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance:** Meeting was called to order by Kurt Youland, and the Pledge of Allegiance was said. Present: Steve Maheu, Kevin Nichols, Kurt Youland, Cody Craig, Kurt Schaub, Steve Michaud, Lisa Bennett, Zac Creps, Cam Lebel, Austin Culleton, and Cam Pack. Absent: Angelo Terreri. Guests: Chris Pilsbury, Anna Pilsbury, and Sue Chavez.
2. **Adjustments to the Agenda:** No adjustments
3. **New Business:**
 - 3-1: American Legion – Funds for Veteran Memorial – Chris Pillsbury:**
 - 3-1a: Review Letter:** Last year, Alexander Chavez raised funds for installation of memorial bricks at the Veteran Memorial in Turner Village, as his Eagle Scout project. The project was completed and was dedicated last Veteran's Day. There are funds remaining from the project which, according to Scouting rules, must be turned over to the project beneficiary which, is the town. The American Legion would like to see additional bricks sold and names added to the memorial. A suggestion was made to simply have the American Legion, be named beneficiary for the purpose of maintaining the memorial and utilizing the funds to install additional information. The Phillip S Bryant Memorial Post 111 respectfully requests that the Board of Selectmen authorize the transfer of the \$2,712.00 surplus to the American Legion. **3-1b:** Motion and second to approve the transfer of funds, unanimous vote.
 - 3-2: Medical Marijuana Retail Store License Renewal – Vacationland:**
 - 3-2a: Review Application:** Board reviewed the application, no issues.
 - 3-2b: Public Hearing:** Opened the Public Hearing, no comments from the public, closed the Public Hearing.
 - 3-2c: Action as Warranted:** Motion and second to approve the renewal license, unanimous vote.
 - 3-3: Adult Use Marijuana Retail Store License Transfer – Camp Cannabis:**
 - 3-3a: Review Application:** Owners of Camp Cannabis are in the process of selling their retail business. The purchasers are Ry Russell and Brooke Bauer of Koz We Can, LLC, which presently has an adult-use story known as Budz Emporium, located in Medway. Turner's ordinance permits an existing license to "transfer" to a purchaser of the business provided they apply for and are able to obtain licensing under the town's standards.
 - 3-3b: Public Hearing:** Opened Public Hearing, no comments from the public, closed the Public Hearing.
 - 3-3c: Action as Warranted:** Motion and second to approve license with contingent on an inspection of the facility that will be conducted at the time of sale, 3 in favor, Kurt Youland did not vote.

- 4. Old Business/Projects:** **4-1: Boofy Quimby Hall:** Nothing to report. **4-2: Transfer Station:** Work will resume next week when Public Works crew returns from shutdown. **4-3: Leavitt Institute:** Bids for multiple repairs were solicited and one was submitted. Board would like to have 3 bids so the board asked Town Manager to put it back out to bid. **4-4: Historic Buildings:** Town House is in need of some repairs. Board will plan on meeting at the Town House on Monday, July 13th at 6:00 to assess what needs to be done.
- 5. Regular Reports:** **5-1: Fire Department:** Chief Steve Michaud will be stepping down as Fire Chief, due to personal reasons, effective August 1st. Board would like to have Steve know if there is anyone in the department who may be interested in the position and let the board know before next meeting on July 20th. **5-2: Rescue Department:** Department needs to install safe boxes for the narcotics that will have codes to open them. Will need 3 boxes, one for each unit plus one for the stations storage room to restock the trucks. Estimated start-up cost is \$15,680.00. Motion and second approve Chief Bennett to purchase the boxes up to \$16,000.00, unanimous vote. **5-3: Town Manager:** **5-3a: Financial Statements: Revenue** and Expense reports as of June 30th were provided to the board for review. Pending year end adjustments, Fund Balance currently stands at \$3.3 million, which is almost exactly three months of gross expenses for the FY 2027 year. **5-3b: Teague Bridge Replacement:** An email from Brian Nichols, Project Manager for the bridge replacement, confirming the board's request to maintain a lane of traffic during this bridge replacement project, to shorten detours and keep additional traffic off Harlow Hill Road. Brian stated that they are still evaluating traffic alternatives and will certainly evaluate the feasibility of staged construction but can't promise that they will be able to avoid a road closure and detour. If circumstances do require a road closure and detour, they will work with the town to ensure the town is notified far enough in advance. **5-3c: 2027 ASO Dispatch Contract:** The most recent contract for PSAP and Dispatch services through Androscoggin County Sheriff's Department is increasing from \$34,728.00 to \$49,444.50. Motion and second to have Town Manager sign, as it is what it is, don't really have any other options at this time, 3 in favor, 1 opposed. **5-3d: Bear Pond Outlet Retaining Wall – Crack Repair:** Pete Angell came to see Town Manger, Kurt Schaub, with a photo showing crack in the retaining wall supporting the Berry Road/Bean Street intersection at the Bear Pond outlet. Will have Public Works look at it on Monday to see if there is some sort of epoxy type filler that will protect the wall going forward. **5-3e: DOT Contract-Winter Salt:** We submitted for participation in the DOT's group purchase of winter road salt. This year's bid price for Turner is \$84.90 per ton, which is up from this part year's price of \$78.00 per ton. Motion and second to accept price of

\$84.90 per ton, unanimous vote. **5-3f: Personnel Policy Revision:** Eligible employee's receive compensation amounting to half of their unused sick leave that remains at the end of the fiscal year. This is traditionally paid during the final "complete" payroll week of the year. That is, the actual pay date is within the expiring fiscal year to avoid having to post entries to different fiscal years. We had an employee utilize sick leave after the payout but before the close of the year. An amendment to the town's Personnel Policy that provides guidance on how this is to be handled should the situation arise again. Motion and second to approve the amendment, unanimous vote. **5-3g: Town Manager Vacation:** Town Manager would like to utilize vacation during the weeks of July 26th and August 9th. **5-3h: Heating Fuel Bid:** Draft bid provided to board for review. Motion and second to put the bid out, unanimous vote. **5-3i: MMA Legislative Policy Committee Ballot:** Copy of ballot for this year's MMA Legislative Policy Committee provided to the board to vote on. Motion and second to vote for Jon Beekman and Dale Crafts, unanimous vote.

6. **Consent Agenda:** There are two abatements to be considered, both involving missed Homestead Exemptions. Motion and second to approve consent agenda along with the abatements, unanimous vote.
7. **Executive Session – Legal – Pursuant to 1 MRS 405 (6) (A) -Personnel Position Vacancies:** Motion, second and unanimous vote to enter Executive Session at 7:30pm. Motion, second unanimous vote to conclude Session at 8:45pm.
8. **Adjournment:** Motion, second and unanimous vote to adjourn at 8:45pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Rebecca M. Allaire, LCC