

BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES

MONDAY, MARCH 16, 2026

- 1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance:** Meeting was called to order by Kevin Nichols, and the Pledge of Allegiance was said. Present: Steve Maheu, Kevin Nichols, Warren Hood and Kurt Schaub. Absent: Kurt Youland and Angelo Terreri.
- 2. Adjustments to the Agenda:** None
- 3. New Business:** None
- 4. Old Business:**
 - 4-1: Boofy Quimby Hall:** Funding Request is due Wednesday, March 18th, all set to move forward with request.
 - 4-2: Transfer Station:** Main-Land is in final stages of preparing DEP application for expansion. Application should be submitted by the end of next week.
 - 4-3: Leavitt Institute:** Board meeting scheduled for March 23rd.
- 5. Regular Reports:**
 - 5-1: Highway Manager:** Report looked good
 - 5-2: Code Enforcement Officer:** Report looked good, a little slow right now.
 - 5-3: Town Manager:**
 - 5-3a: County Tax:** Turner's 2026 bill for Androscoggin County taxes has increased by 18.4 percent from 2025. This is on the heels of an 11.5 percent increase from 2024 to 2025, and 12.0 percent from 2023 to 2024. The 2026 bill is \$1,060,176; 2025 was \$895,493 and 2024 was \$803,016. The county attributes the bulk of the increase to the cost of operating the jail, as state funding for its traditional portion of the cost has not kept pace with actual expense growth, which shifts the burden to the towns and local property taxpayers to make up the shortfall.
 - 5-3b: Appropriation Request – Sen. Susan Collins –** See item 4-1.
 - 5-3c: Grounds Maintenance Bid Draft:** Board reviewed the draft, motion and second to approve the draft and send bid out, unanimous vote.
 - 5-3d: Town Report:** The Town Report was sent to the printer on Wednesday, March 11th. Will take 7-10 business days for printing.
 - 5-3e: Board of Appeals:** The Board of Appeals met on Tuesday, March 10th, to consider an issue related to a driveway permit and drainage. The evening concluded with a 45-day recess to see if the parties can reach a mutually agreeable solution.
- 6. Consent Agenda:** Motion and second to accept consent agenda, unanimous vote.
- 7. Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 6:15pm

Respectfully submitted,
Rebecca M. Allaire, LCC
Town of Turner