

SELECTBOARD MEETING Minutes-draft

1. Call Meeting to Order 5:33pm Jen Called the meeting to order

2. Approve Agenda

Fred made the motion Mike 2nd , motion carried

3. Public Comment Public comment: Maria says Vermont digger had an article on Land use. It ties in with #7. Sign missing at the bottom of Bothfeld Hill at the 4 corners

Fred says that he has seen people passing at the common.

Brittany had a complaint from a resident on 4 wheelers and their speeds on the back roads. Jen said that she would get in contact with the sheriff's office.

4. Approve Minutes of May 5, 2026 Meeting: Motion by mike to approve the minutes from May 2, 2026, 2nd by Skip, Motion Carried.

5. Flood Mitigation Updates-Gary Update on the North Bridge, Residents that will be impacted have been asked to sign a memorandum of understanding prior to the formal easement contracts being drawn up. The Request for proposals are due June 4th. Sid will be on the review committee for the proposals. The road will have to be closed and there will have to be a detour. Peggy says to make sure signage is good so that there aren't people constantly turning around at the bridge.

Vermont council on rural development has some grants for climate resilience (flood) There is support from the task force to apply, will have to be on a meeting in June, Lori will attend as well because it goes with the grant they received. The meeting for tonight was supposed to have some rough cost estimates and renderings, there are some renderings but no cost estimate as of yet.

6. Ethics policy discussion : There are municipal requirements for the new ethics statute. There are several things that the municipality should be doing and we are but there are also things that are mandated per statute that we have not accomplished as of yet. There is no ethics fund at the state any more but the statute remains. Amy say that the town should have an ordinance and a municipal official should be designated to receive complaints. Training is not required every year. Need to keep track of the adoption history (this meeting is the beginning of that since it was on the agenda and warned). One of the meetings in June will focus solely on ordinances.

7. Central Vermont Planning Commission Housing targets and Land Use maps. (Informational) Brittany talked about the new Land Use maps that are now on CVRPCs website. There are also the new housing target numbers, these are not goals and we do not have to meet the numbers. These can be found under the regional plan feel free to contact Brittany in the office or Brian or Lorraine at CVRPC their emails are on the website.

8. Health officer- Trash Complaint discussion/action: has been cleaned up

9. Recycle center update-letter to individual who is improperly disposing of materials: next meeting: Betty and john and one member of selectboard

10. Cabot Arts Tent: Discussion, Cabot arts has concerts scheduled on the Common for six weeks this summer. He wanted to know if it would be possible to keep a 20x20 tent up on the green for that 6 week period. Fred says Town Clerk is in charge of events on the Common. Discussion was had on maintenance of grass, liability, weather etc. Dana and Brittany will discuss more and decision will be made.

11. Water and Wastewater

a. Meter Update -Fred and Brittany went to the creamery to get the specs for the 3 meters up there. The plant

will have to close when they are switched out. This will be done on a Sunday.

b. Other business-none

12. Town Clerk's Office

a. Orders

b. Other Business- Brittany asked about selling the land (4ac on Rt 2) that approval was given by the voters a few years ago to sell. The board says the listers can come up with a value and they will find an agent and we can get this on the market.

13. Other Business June 2nd meeting trails committee will be invited in for a meeting. Regarding a property owner. The emergency management plan has been accepted by Mr. Sidney Pollock and the state now has it.

14. Motion to Adjourn, motion by Fred, Skip 2nd, and at 6:36 meeting was adjourned.

Summary

Land Management Rulemaking Discussion

Jen called the Select Board meeting to order and approved the agenda without additions or deletions. During public comment, Maria mentioned Vermont Digger and natural resources,

Traffic Safety Concerns Discussion

Skip raised concerns about missing stop signs and non-functional traffic signs, particularly near the school, and discussed issues with 4-wheelers and speeding vehicles in the area. Jen proposed contacting Mark Poole to address the traffic problems. The meeting then moved to approve the minutes from the May 5th meeting, which was unanimously approved. The discussion concluded with Gary being asked to provide updates on flood mitigation.

Community Development Grant Update

Gary provided an update on the Community Development Block Grant for North Bridge, noting that while the archaeological review is complete, there is ongoing discussion about whether the riparian plantings will trigger further site investigation. He mentioned that landowners like Peggy will need to sign an informal MOU acknowledging potential driveway impacts during final engineering design, and proposals for the final design are due June 4th. Gary also discussed a potential Vermont Council on Rural Development program focused on climate resiliency, suggesting it be added to a future select board agenda for discussion with Lori and other town members.

Municipal Ethics Requirements Discussion

Amy presented information on municipal ethics requirements that went into effect January 1, 2025, noting that while a state ethics commission liaison was designated, the commission is currently unfunded. She shared a VTLCCT model ordinance for consideration and recommended the board review it before the next meeting to potentially formalize adoption of an ethics ordinance. The group discussed the need to address three ordinances (ethics, grant, and dog-related) in a focused meeting, with plans to potentially review and approve them at the June select board meeting following proper procedural requirements.

Cabot Planning and Development Updates

Brittany provided updates on housing targets and land use maps from the Central Vermont Regional Planning Commission, clarifying that the targets are statutory requirements rather than goals, with Cabot required to have 568 new units by 2050. She discussed a request from Cabot Arts to install a 20x20 tent on the common for six weeks during June-August for the Summer Music Series, which would provide better facilities for performers and audiences. The board also addressed property maintenance issues, water and wastewater updates including new

meters installation, and discussed the potential sale of a 4-acre parcel near Route 2, with plans to determine its value before proceeding with sale.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brittany Butler

Town Clerk