

Selectboard Minutes
October 6, 2026

Present: Robert Mantegari, Chair
Absent: Jim Michaud, Vice Chair
Letty Bedard
Paul Kleinman
David Menter

At 6:00pm Mantegari called the Public Meeting to order.

Selectboard reviewed and signed the manifest.

Mantegari tabled the meeting minutes.

Bedard motioned to approve the non-public minutes, Kleinman seconded; all voted in favor.

Treasurers Report: see attached.

Electronic Timesheets: Yerkes will work department heads to move toward electronic timesheets.

Budgets

Welfare: Mantegari motioned to approve Welfare Budget as level funded, Menter seconded; all voted in favor.

Information Systems: tabled until a contract is available.

Streetlighting: Bedard motioned to approve the Street Lighting budget; Mantegari seconded the motion; all voted in favor.

Health Officer: Bedard motioned to approve the Health Officer budget, Mantegari seconded the motion; all voted in favor.

Joint Loss: Bedard motioned to approve Joint Loss Management budget; Michaud seconded the motion; all voted in favor.

Legal: Mantegari motioned to approve to drop the budget to \$30,003.00, Michaud seconded; all approved except for Bedard who would like to keep it at \$35,003.00.

Assessing: tabled until a contract is available.

Old Business: Fremont has reached out to meet with them to discuss the Fire Department agreement. Yerkes will reach out to Fremont for an initial meeting with their TA and Fire Chief.

Committee Updates:

Michaud: Fire Department got the forestry truck back. Police had two missing persons both were juveniles; both were found quickly. Hwy is using new tractor/mower, and the plow had to be changed – the attachment was the wrong attachment; this will be corrected. Roof over the Town Clerk's office will be fixed.

Mantegari: Town Clerk's Office will be closed on Thursday with limited serves on Wednesday.

Bedard asked about the insulation at the HWY shed, Michaud explained that the furnace will be looked at.

Menter: Conservation meeting upcoming October 14th – same date as the Budget Committee.

Kleinman: Planning Board – preliminary design review for the multi-family development.

Commercial requirement was addressed with pickleball. Introduced Gabby Kelly: urged the board to take time to read and pass the Joint Finance Committee.

Bedard: School Board, couple laws House Bills 1300 and 546; public hearing on Monday, Oct 19th

Mantegari: emails from FB Talks and Chats; not going to police the posts.

Bedard inquired about the 91-A request; Murch made a statement; Yerkes will reach out to legal to advise and wait for Block 5 to send us the emails.

Public Comment:

Gabby Kelly requests the Select Board to decide on the Joint Finance Committee.

Betsy Ibbetson – spoke about free speech; requests the board to represent the town well; Mantegari – restated that he will not be policing posts.

Mantegari motioned to recess to read the Joint Finance Committee.

Mantegari motioned to approve the Joint Finance Committee, Michaud seconded the motion; all voted in favor. Yerkes will post the committee openings on the town website. First meeting to be held Oct. 29th at 5:30pm.

Mantegari motioned to go into non-public for RSA 91-A:3, II(d), Bedard seconded the motion; all voted in favor.

8:46 Mantegari made the motion to adjourn, Michaud seconded; all voted in favor.

Respectfully submitted

Sue Yerkes