

TOWN OF WOODLAND, MAINE

SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES For TUESDAY, AUGUST 19, 2025 @ 5:30 PM

Present:

Matt Cole, Chairman
Chris Fournier, Selectman
Kathy P. Ouellette, Selectman
Bridget A. Coats, Municipal Clerk
Karyn Thornton, Treasurer
Residents – See Sign-in Sheet

Article #1: CALL TO ORDER: Motion was made by Matt at 5:30pm.

Article #2: PUBLIC COMMENT: Lorraine Chamberlain expressed her concern about the parking of vehicles on 228 when school is in session and would like to see the board work with the school to correct a potential hazard. Jean Cashman spoke of a dust issue on the Fowler Road.

Article #3: APPROVE MINUTES / WARRANTS: Motion was made by Kathy and seconded by Chris to accept the Minutes of July 15, 2025, as written, and AP Warrant of 8/8/25 #69, and Payroll Warrant of 8/19/25 #70. No discussion. All were in favor.

Article #4: OLD BUSINESS:

- ◆ Cochran Real Estate – Rick Soloman is checking on information per the tax collector.

Article #5: NEW BUSINESS:

- ◆ Abatement – Brown 520 Woodland Center Road – Homestead – Motion was made by Kathy to approve abatement for Homestead exemption of \$24, 250 giving Ms. Pauline Brown her due discount, seconded by Chris. No further discussion. All were in favor.

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- ◆ Perham – NMDC – Kathy mentioned that although very early, she said the town consulting with Perham to apply for a grant.
- ◆ The treasurer said that landfill used is at 29.74%.
- ◆ Comprehensive Planning Committee – David Hall said they are looking it over and will get board approval to send to the state.
- ◆ Operational Procedures Ordinance – Lorraine Chamberlain spoke of the two (2) prior public hearings and that the town vote did not pass then. The Steering Committee has reviewed and updated the ordinance. Kathy made a motion and seconded by Chris to move forward and schedule the Public Hearing to be held on September 16, 2025, at 5:30pm, prior to the regular BOS meeting. There was no further discussion. All were in favor.
- ◆ The 2023 Audit is still in progress according to the treasurer.
- ◆ Karyn said she had reached out to different CPA's, and she had left a message and was waiting for a call back from Lee Theriault.
- ◆ The treasurer said that workers comp went up.

Article #6: PUBLIC WORKS REPORT:

- ◆ Grant – Kathy told that the department could get up to \$3,000 for safety items like signage, cones, and gear by applying for a Risk Reduction Grant Program through MMA.
- ◆ The public works department will be doing some hot topping next week.

Article #7: EXECUTIVE SESSION: Matt made a motion to go into executive session at 5:50pm for Abatements ~36 M.R.S. § 841 (2) and 1 M.R.S. § 405 (6)(F) and Consultations with legal counsel - 1 MRSA § 405 (6) (E). Seconded by Kathy. No discussion. All were in favor. In attendance were the

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board members and both office staff. A motion was made to come out of executive session at 7:46pm by Matt and seconded by Kathy. No further discussion. All were in favor. Matt said that on the abatement, Karyn will provide information to the resident tomorrow. For the consultation with legal counsel, no decision at this time.

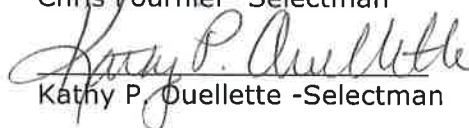
Article #8: ADJOURN: Kathy made a motion to adjourn at 7:46pm, seconded by Chris. No further discussion. All were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,


Bridget A. Coats, Municipal Clerk


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