

Approved 6-24-25

Town of Ira
Select Board Meeting Minutes
Date: May 27, 2025

Present: Nathan Hewitt, Tim Carter, Darin May, Karen Davis, Deb Perry, Bob Toppin, Jerri Hoffman

Nathan called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

Review and approve agenda: Nathan made a motion to approve the agenda, Tim 2nd, passed unanimously.

Warrant for bills: Nathan made a motion to approve & sign the 5/27/25 warrants, Tim 2nd, passed unanimously.

Tim made a motion to approve the 4/22/25, 5/6/25 and 5/9/25 meeting minutes, Nathan 2nd, passed unanimously.

Business and Administrative

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	RESOLUTION
Select Board	Adopt the Local Emergency Management Plan (LEMP) Minute taker for select board meetings Fire Department using Town Hall for monthly business meetings FY26 Contracts for general maintenance, shoveling, & snow removal. Discuss the letter from Peter G. Franzoni regarding the “Resolution Condemning Attacks on Due Process and Affirming the Constitutional Rights of All People in Ira”	Nathan made a motion to adopt the LEMP, Darin 2 nd ; passed unanimously. Karen will submit the approved LEMP to Bill Jones, State of Vermont. Jerri indicated her availability to continue as minute taker. The business meetings are held on the 2 nd Monday of every month at 6:00 pm. Tim will contact the Town Clerk to put the meetings on the Town Hall calendar; board approval not required. Discussion tabled until next month. The letter, which was a plea to the board to pass a resolution to honor their Oaths of Office to “support and defend the Constitution of the United States”, was discussed. It was agreed that no action be taken on the matter.
Treasurer Report	Reviewed budget and YTD expenses	June 30 th ends the fiscal year. Budgeted dollars remaining were reviewed. It was agreed to place an order for gravel and revisit the budget at the June meeting.
Lister Report	Update on the reappraisal Letter to request an extension to file the 2025 Grand List	Letters were sent out to prospective appraisal firms, but none were interested. Listers will meet with district advisor tomorrow, May 28 th . Nathan made a motion to sign the letter for the extension to file the 2025 Grand List, Darin 2 nd ; passed unanimously. Nathan signed the letter requesting the 30-day extension.

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Highway Business	FY26 Grants-In-Aid submitted letter of intent to participate	Letter of intent to participate was sent last week on behalf of board; this aid is to be used for run-off related issues.
	Purchasing tools for garage	Tim will price air compressors for the town garage with a spending limit of \$400. If the Town doesn't have an account with chosen vendor, the debit card can be used. Tim is also looking into purchasing a power washer.
	General Road/equipment update	The grader needs piston repaired. The truck wing requires maintenance.
	Summer road work discussion	Grading of roads began over the weekend. An order for gravel will be placed. Darin indicated the 500' West Road paving project will likely not be completed until the end of June. Darin suggested the damaged guardrail on West Road be repaired/replaced.
		Nathan stated he received a call from Cindy Wragg praising the maintenance of the winter and summer roads.
TOPIC		
Public Comments	None	None
Maintenance & Repairs to Town Buildings	Report of maintenance concerns from monthly inspection by DHP	Fencing around the Town Office has been removed; batteries replaced in Town Hall heat pump remote; winter sand shed has broken outlet cover to be replaced.
Cemetery Committee		Nathan reported a check for new grave marker will be forthcoming. The mower was purchased and is being utilized.
New or Other Business		None
Executive Session (legal, personnel, real estate)	None	None
Adjourn		Nathan made a motion to adjourn at 7:12 pm; Darin 2 nd ; passed unanimously.
In my capacity as the minute recorder for the Ira Select Board, I certify that the above is a true and accurate copy of the approval minutes of the board meeting held on May 27, 2025.		

Recording: Jerri Hoffman