

PUBLIC HEARING & MUNICIPAL OFFICERS MEETING MINUTES

September 18, 2025
7:00 PM
8:00 PM

Karen James
Eric Durgin
Cory Hale

The meeting was called to order with Karen and Eric present. Cory was unable to attend.

Megan Brown, Erl Brown, Jackie Bagwell, Dana Bagwell, Patty Barber, Paul Henniger, Steve Plummer, Keisha Garnett, Dan Hester were also present.

The board opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance

The Board opened the public hearing:

1. To review and update the updated General Assistance Ordinance
2. To adopt the new 2025/26 General Assistance Appendices A-H of the existing General Assistance Ordinance

The Board closed the public hearing at 7:05 PM.

Action on public hearing GA Ordinance and Appendices: The Board signed and approved the updated 2024 General Assistance Ordinance and 2025 Appendices A-H.

Board approved minutes from September 4, 2025.

Board approved the already signed warrants from September 11th and 18th.

Add any agenda items:

Address anyone present:

Mt Cutler – Offer to purchase Bagwells: Megan and Erl Brown the realtors that represent Jackie and Dana Bagwell expressed interest in selling to the Town of Hiram 25 acres of property that abuts Mt Cutler. The proposed offer is 25 acres for \$25,000. The Board expressed their interest in buying the property. The Board, the property owners and the realtors all agreed that waiting for the March 6, 2025, Town Meeting would be acceptable. The realtor will write up the purchase and sale agreement stating contingent on a successful town vote the closing will be set for March 19, 2025.

Planning Board Update – Sample Property Maintenance Ordinance: Keisha Garnett and Paul Henniger addressed the Board with questions on the property maintenance ordinance the Planning Board has been working on. Keisha and Skip presented to the Board a sample Property Maintenance Ordinance from the Town of Oxford to review. The Planning Board is looking to use the sample ordinance as reference to create one for the Town of Hiram. The Board agreed to reach out to the tenured CEO at the Town of Oxford asking for examples of effectiveness and any feedback. The Board suggested to the

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Planning Board to wrap in information on unauthorized camping, motor homes and the misuse of land use.

TAP – Update: Marylou informed the Board that in the purchase and sale agreement it refers to getting a clean title. Tax acquired property does not come with a clean title. The Town's realtor has sent the previous owner a release to sign. If all goes well the closing is set for September 22, 2025.

Resign papers: The Board re-signed the commitment papers due to a typo on the previous one.

Trafton Way: The Board reviewed pictures of the completed Trafton Way project. The Board along with the Crowley's are very happy with the results.

Request to Attend Convention: The Board agreed to allow Marylou and Lisa to attend the MMA Convention October 8th and 9th.

MMA Annual Business Meeting – Voting Delegate: No one from the Board will be attending.

State Assessment Review: The Board agreed to hold off on this until we have a Tax Assessor in place.

Steve Plummer addressed the Board inquiring about an update regarding Hiram Hill. The Board advised him that they have a meeting scheduled with the town's attorney.

Meeting adjourned 7:45 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa Fox