

MUNICIPAL OFFICERS MEETING MINUTES

January 8, 2026
7:00 PM
8:06 PM

Eric Durgin
Cory Hale
Paul Henninger

The meeting was called to order with Eric Durgin and Paul Henninger present. Cory Hale was unable to attend.

Patty Barber, Kyle Estes, Carl Landry and Kendra Durgin were also present for a portion of the meeting.

The board opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board approved the minutes from December 29,2025.

The Board approved the warrants from 12/30/2025 and 1/2/2026.

Carl Landry – East Hiram Bussing Issue - Mr. Landry spoke to the Board regarding what action Ledgemere and the school are taking to rectify the bussing situation. The substitute driver has now been made permanent. They are still down one bus driver and are actively seeking to fill this position. Ledgemere combined bus routes E & J and the children from Pumpkin Patch will be on Bus A. The morning drop off route will change to dropping the high school kids off first, middle school second, and third the elementary students. Ledgemere is actively offering \$23- \$27 per hour for bus drivers including a sign on bonus. There are two bus drivers in the pipeline. The board also discussed with Mr. Landry volunteer opportunities through the town for the high school students. The Board agreed that they will send to the school notices of any volunteer opportunities.

Kyle Estes – The Board was presented with a proposal from All State indicating 1.7 million needed for paving. Kyle also presented the Board with budget options for review. The Board agreed to review the bid proposal later and get back with him on their thoughts.

Hiram Hill Update – The Board was advised that the lawyer will send a final warning letter which will include the right to appeal alongside drafting the litigation paperwork. The Board motioned to proceed as the lawyer has recommended and advised to update the neighbors on where we are with the process.

Review Property Disclosure Approve to Sign – The property disclosure document is in regards to the 25 acres that abuts the Mt. Cutler property that the Bagwell's are proposing to sell to the town. This proposal will be presented at the town meeting. The Board approved Marylou authority to sign the property disclosure document.

CEO Position – Interim Mileage – Review Note from State Plumbing Inspector – The Board approved to pay Guy Lehouillier \$100 a month for mileage as the interim CEO. The Board reviewed a note from the state plumbing inspector regarding an issue on a previous plumbing permit. Marylou informed the

Board that she has been in contact with the CEO in Sweden which has expressed interest in the CEO opening. The Board agreed to invite him in to talk at one of the Board meetings in February.

Review Abatement Request – The Board was presented with a property abatement request. The property owner issued a complaint regarding the tax amount. Hannah reviewed the file and found an unfinished portion. The amount of the abatement is \$142.67. Hannah spoke with the property owner and has drafted a letter to include with the abatement check. The Board agreed with the Assessor's decision and agreed for the abatement to be processed.

Sign 3 Quitclaim Deeds - Marylou advised that all three accounts have paid all three years of property taxes. The Board signed and approved the three quick claim deeds.

Budget Review – Legal – Assessing/Reval – Marylou discussed with the Board the current legal costs from 2025. The cost for 2025 was around \$14000.00 and the account was overspent by \$350.80. Marylou is looking for guidance on how much the Town should factor into the budget for this year for legal costs. Marylou also discussed the separate price for the Assessor's to do a cost analysis cost schedule increase. The cost for this to be done would be an additional \$9800.00. The Board agreed to have a workshop on 1/20/26 at 7:00 PM to review the budget further.

Meeting adjourned 8:06 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa Fox