

Town of Burnham
"Home of Lake Winnecook"

SELECT BOARD MEETING
MINUTES

Monday May 11, 2026

PRESENT: Rick Basford (Chairman of the Board), Brent Chase (Select Person), Micah O'Brien (Select Person), Stacy Patterson (Administrative Assistant) and 8 others – Allyson & Roger Chadwick, Kyle King, Roderick Pease, Andrya Pulaski, Teresa Reynolds, Andrew Salaoutis, Sherri Thornton

7:00 pm: R. Basford called the meeting to order

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

April 27, 2026 Select Board Meeting minutes approved on motion made by R. Basford. Seconded by B. Chase Unanimous Vote.

APPROVAL OF WARRANTS:

1. R. Basford made a motion to approve **Payroll Warrant #19** in the amount of **\$4,591.78**. Seconded by B. Chase. Unanimous vote.
2. B. Chase made a motion to approve **Warrant #20** in the amount of **\$160,724.20**. Seconded by M. O'Brien. Unanimous vote.

APPOINTMENTS:

1. **Teresa Reynolds**, of 11 Barton Lane, discussed with the Board and expressed her concerns with the town possibly opening **Leonard Road** for town residents access to the stream, and what that would mean for her property. Micah O'Brien stated it was a public easement unless otherwise stated by the town, stating he had interest in having access to the road for 4-wheelers and a possible canoe launch. There was discussion of the road being a county road in the past, with the understanding that Micah would research further.
2. Cemetery Sexton, **Sherri Thornton**, spoke to the Board about contacting Rancourt's Superior Landscaping to discuss Spring Clean-up in the **town cemeteries**. Also, B. Chase made a motion to allow a \$700 budget for Rod Pease to repair cemetery fences, to be taken from the cemeteries account. Seconded by R. Basford. Unanimous vote.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Regarding the **Sovereign Market**, after agreeing that the Town Office would not be open during the Sovereign Market days for use of the restroom, R. Basford made a motion to sign the **rental agreement** to use the Town Office lawn and driveway, for the ongoing Sovereign Market, with proof of insurance, every other Saturday beginning May 16th through October 17th. Seconded by B. Chase. Unanimous vote.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. It was agreed to research oldest residents in town to determine who would be the recipient of the **Boston Post Cane** and to order another replica to be presented to that person this summer.
2. After some discussion, the Board agreed to hire **Kyle King** to clean out the can area of debris at the **Transfer Station** with his bucket loader, just as he did last year.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

1. R. Basford made a motion to go into **Executive Session** for Consultation with CEO on a pending enforcement matter 1 M.R.S.A. § 405(6)(H). Seconded by B. Chase. Unanimous vote.
2. R. Basford made a motion to go back into **Open Session**. Seconded by B. Chase. Unanimous vote.
3. After discussion with Deputy Code Enforcement Officer, Sherri Thornton, R. Basford made a motion to sign and mail the second **Notice of Violation** letter to Brad Aiken for damage at the Town Beach, once reviewed by the town attorney. Seconded by B. Chase. Unanimous vote.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

REMINDERS: None

ADJOURNMENT:

8:41 pm – R. Basford made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by B. Chase. Unanimous vote.

MINUTES SUBMITTED: By Stacy Patterson - Administrative Assistant/Clerk/Tax Collector/Treasurer

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Randy Basford