

Minutes of the Westmoreland Selectmen's Meeting

Tuesday, February 17, 2026

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: John Snowdon, Bill McGahie and Mark Terry

1. The meeting was called to order at 1:00pm by John Snowdon.
2. Approval of Minutes: February 3, 2026 Motion was made by Mark Terry seconded by Bill McGahie to accept the minutes as printed. Motion passed 3-0.
3. Accounts Payable: Motion was made by John Snowdon, seconded by Mark Terry to approve Manifests for: General Fund \$52,293.28 Motion passed 3-0.
4. Old Business - None
5. New Business
Signature Approval was given for the following

Payroll 2/17	Veterans Credit (1)	Eversource \$732.67
Payroll Taxes 2/17	Daston \$4704.00	Wex Bank \$52.38
Town Warrant	Invoice Cloud \$52.00	USPS \$6.08
CU Application (1)	Amazon \$180.37	Staples \$93.98

A. Trustees of the Trust Funds

- The Trustees are interested in investing additional Capital Reserve funds with NHPDIP in order to increase earnings and are requesting information regarding any upcoming capital projects.
- The Selectmen noted that most capital projects are identified in advance and can be communicated to the Trustees as needed. Project expenses are paid from the General Fund and subsequently reimbursed from the Capital Reserve Funds. Therefore, any additional time required to access funds from NHPDIP accounts will not be an issue.
- Snowdon recommended that the Trustees attend Selectboard meetings on a quarterly basis to maintain better awareness of upcoming capital reserve expenditures.

B. Equipment Replacement

- During Budget Committee meetings, an equipment replacement schedule was discussed. The Selectmen researched surrounding towns and found that most maintain formal replacement schedules for large equipment.
- The Selectmen agreed that a committee of three to five members should be established to determine the appropriate timing for equipment replacement. Mark Terry will draft a mission statement outlining the committee's purpose and expectations for review at the next Selectmen's meeting.

C. Grants

- We are currently working on grant applications to help with the Town Hall lift installation and bathroom renovations. Applications are being prepared for the Community Project Funding Grant through Representative Maggie Goodlander and Congressionally Directed Spending through Senator Jeanne Shaheen.
- The Town is also planning to apply for a grant through the Northern Border Regional Commission and potentially submit another application to New Hampshire Land and Community Heritage Investment Program (LCHIP).

- Most grant applications and letters of intent are due between March 1 and April 1.
- The Town has secured letters of support from Paul Berch, Southwest Regional Planning (SWRP), and Cheshire County, and is seeking additional letters of support from community organizations that use the Town Hall for their dinners and events.

D. Generator

- The Board discussed whether the Fire Station generator has the capacity to service both the Fire Station and the Town Hall.
- Talbot was advised to use WV Engineering Associates, a local engineering company, to complete the assessment by contractors who previously installed the generator.
- Emergency Management Deputy Scott Talbot obtained a quote to conduct a capacity assessment of the generator. The cost of the study is \$1,800.
- Motion was made by John Snowdon, seconded by Mark Terry to proceed with the proposed study by WV Engineering Associates to determine the generator’s capacity to supply both buildings, using funds budgeted for Town Hall Maintenance. Motion passed, 3–0..

6. Upcoming: March 10, 2026 Town Election 11am - 7pm (Town Hall)
Town Meeting 7pm (School)

8. Nonpublic Meeting

At 1:41 p.m., a motion was made by John Snowdon, seconded by Mark Terry, to enter nonpublic session per RSA 91-A:3, II(c). Motion passed 3–0.

At 2:52p.m., a motion was made by John Snowdon, seconded by Mark Terry, to exit the nonpublic session. Motion passed 3–0.

A motion was made by John Snowdon, seconded by Mark Terry, to seal the minutes. Roll call vote to seal minutes: John Snowdon – Yes; Mark Terry – Yes; Bill McGahie – Yes. Motion passed.

9. 2:53p.m., Motion was made by John Snowdon, seconded by Mark Terry to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed 3-0

Respectfully submitted,
Jodi Scanlan
Town Administrator

NEXT MEETING TUESDAY TUESDAY, MARCH 3, 2026 6:00PM
MINUTES ARE INITIALLY POSTED AS UNAPPROVED
SELECTMEN SIGNATURES DENOTE APPROVAL

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

John Snowdon, Chairman

Mark Terry

William McGahie