

SELECTMEN'S MEETING– February 2, 2026

Present: Chris Ellms, Richard Bielefield, Rusty Talbot
Jennifer Gaudette

Guests: Judy & Larry Sawyer, Kathy Jablonski, Brian Beaulieu, Betsy Holcombe

MR. BIELEFIELD made a motion to approve the public and nonpublic meeting minutes of January 24, 2026, seconded by MR. TALBOT. The motion passed unanimously.

Correspondence was read and acted upon.

The board received the latest U199 updates. They are continuing restoration work.

Jennifer presented the board with a warrant article regarding Disabled Veterans. Currently the town allows a credit of \$1400.00. In the past a Veteran could qualify for both the disability credit and the regular \$500 Veteran Credit. Due to a change in the law that is no longer allowed. It has been recommended that towns add the two together and change the disability allowance to the new combined figure. MR. BIELEFIELD made a motion to increase the disability allowance from 1400 to 1900 and to place a warrant article on this year's warrant, seconded by MR. TALBOT. The motion passed unanimously.

The NHDRA MS9 Report of the Trustees of the Trust fund has been submitted. The Tax Collector's MS61 has also been filed with the NHDRA.

COHOS Associates will be in the office this week providing a compilation of the town books.

The board briefly discussed the recent Cell Tower hearing. All pleased with the new bridge that will be installed over Salmon Hole Brook during the process. Did not feel the real estate appraiser was able to properly answer the value of property question. In addition, the technology to satellite question they did not feel was effective as it would be relying on one company.

The board did a brief review of the budget before the upcoming hearing.

Jenifer followed up with Primex regarding clearing the ice at Coffin Pond and they felt there should be a "Use at your own risk" posting.

With no more public business before the Board, MR. ELLMS made a motion to adjourn, seconded by MR. TALBOT the meeting was adjourned at 5:25PM. To be followed by the Budget Hearing at 6:00pm. The next regular scheduled meeting is Monday February 9, 2026, at 5:00 pm at the Crapo Building.

Respectfully submitted:

Jennifer Gaudette
Town Administrator