

SELECTMEN'S MEETING– March 16, 2026

Present: Chris Ellms, Richard Bielefield, Rusty Talbot

Guests: Kathy Jablonski, Chief Mike Ho-Song-Loy

MR. TALBOT made a motion to approve the meeting minutes of March 9, 2026, with a grammatical correction, seconded by MR. ELLMS. The motion passed unanimously.

Correspondence was read and acted upon.

The board will not meet on Monday, March 23, 2026.

The Town Clerk Tax Collector will be closed on Monday, March 30, 2026.

MR. TALBOT made a motion to appoint MR. ELLMS as the board chair, seconded by MR. BIELEFIELD. The motion passed.

The board made the following reappointments:

Planning Board: Patricia Robertson, Stephen Monsein, and Arthur Chase

Conservation Commission: Claire Von Karls, Margo Connors and Charles Wolcott, Alternates

The board signed the MS535 Financial Report as prepared by COHOS Advisors. The MS60 Audit Report was also completed by COHOS and filed with the DRA.

The White Mountain Garden Club was approved to use the Meetinghouse on August 15, 2026.

The board signed a Current Use Application for Arthur Chase Map 211, Lot 13.

The board signed a Current Use Change Tax for Napert, Map 218, Lot 24.

The board received several emails from resident Joel Lanz about his disappointment in the Planning and Zoning Boards Blue Sky Tower approvals.

The board received an email from a resident regarding the Town Meeting Minutes which are prepared by the Town Clerk who is an elected official.

CHIEF HO-SING-LOY met with the board to update them on Police Department business. Currently down a part time officer due to an injury received on personal time. The Chief is looking to find a couple of part time officers to fill in. Very hard to find officers to work and hopefully the two who has spoken with who a FT in another community can work some hours. The Chief and Sarah may have to adjust schedules. The board asked how often there are call outs and the Chief said a couple times a month. The board discussed the coverage aspect of staffing. Currently the on call is covered by the Chief and Sarah and often the call can be handled over the phone. The chief is currently working on the Emergency Operations Plan. The Chief

advised the board that the generator at the Crapo may be near end of life as hard to get parts and its 26 years old. Will get some quotes and look at any grants that may be available including those that Mr. De Mayo mentioned at Town Meeting. Chief Ho-Sing-Loy also asked the board to nominate Rose Ellms to fill the position of Deputy EM Director so that we have someone to fill in if needed. Rose has been working on the bridge project and would be available. The position is volunteer. MR. TALBOT made a motion to appoint Rose Ellms as the Deputy EMD, seconded by MR. BIELEFIELD. The vote was 2-0 with Mr. Ellms abstaining.

With no more public business before the Board, MR. ELLMS made a motion to adjourn, seconded by MR. TALBOT the meeting was adjourned at 6:05PM. The next regular scheduled meeting is Monday March 30, 2026, at 5:00 pm at the Crapo Building.

Respectfully submitted:

Jennifer Gaudette
Town Administrator