



Selectboard Meeting Minutes DRAFT  
January 13, 2025

Present:

Jim Haff  
Chris Karr  
Robert Hecker

Tom Yannelli, Interim Town Manager

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of the Agenda
3. Approval of the Minutes
4. Capital Budget
5. FY26 Budget Approval
6. Selectboard Member Comments or Concerns
7. Open Public Comment
8. Town Managers Report
9. Executive Session
10. Adjourn

## 1. Call to Order

The Meeting was called to order at 6:34pm.

## 2. Approval of the Agenda

The Selectboard reviewed the Agenda. SB Haff made a motion to approve the Agenda with an amendment to add a discussion on the Capital Budget after Art. 3 (Approval of the Minutes). SB Hecker and SB Karr seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously passed.

## 3. Approval of the Minutes

- The Selectboard reviewed the Special Town Meeting Minutes for December 17, 2025 at 1:00pm. SB Haff made a motion to approve the Special Town Meeting Minutes for December 17, 2025 at 1:00pm. SB Karr and SB Hecker seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.
- The Selectboard reviewed the Special Town Meeting Minutes for December 17, 2025 at 1:00pm. SB Haff made a motion to approve the Special Town Meeting Minutes for December 17, 2025 at 9:30am for Town Manager Interviews. SB Karr and SB Hecker seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.
- The Selectboard reviewed the Special Town Meeting Minutes for December 18, 2025. SB Haff made a motion to approve the Special Town Meeting Minutes for December 18, 2025. SB Karr and SB Hecker seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.
- The Selectboard reviewed the Special Town Meeting Minutes for December 23, 2025. SB Haff made a motion to approve the Special Town Meeting Minutes for December 23, 2025. SB Karr and SB Hecker seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

## 4. Capital Budget

- Selectboard reviewed the Capital Budget. Most items remained the same but there were a few increases. There was a \$346,657 increase overall compared to last year. This increase is connected to the Public Works Department's efforts to pave and repair the Town's roads. The Selectboard will speak further with the Public Works Department to determine if the entire proposed increase is required for the upcoming Fiscal Year.
- The Selectboard also reviewed the \$20,000 increase on guardrails, specifically for East Mountain Road, an additional equipment replacement line for \$22,000, and the potential addition of a line for legal services.

## 5. FY26 Budget Approval

- The Selectboard discussed the funding for the workforce housing. The Town received \$350,000 from the Killington Resort which was placed into the General Fund. Great Gulf will also begin making five \$70,000 payments. The first would

be received the week of January 13th, 2025. The next would be received March 15, 2025. The Selectboard will review the funds and revenue towards the workforce housing with the Town's Auditor.

- The Selectboard also announced that easements for the water and road projects should be completed by next week.

## **6. Selectboard Member Comments or Concerns**

- On Friday, a petition was received to increase the number of Selectboard Members to five people from three. The Town Manager consulted with Legal Services to confirm the acceptable wording. The Selectboard will discuss Legal Services' comments during Executive Session.
- SB Karr mentioned that the traffic light at West Hill Road was set to a timer. He requested the traffic light be switched back to a trigger to avoid unnecessarily interrupting the flow of traffic. The Town will work to resolve this issue.

## **7. Open Public Comment**

- Curt Peterson asked if the petition to increase the number of Selectboard Members to five had enough signatures. The Selectboard stated the petition was presented to the Town Clerk on Friday, January 10th, 2025. The Town Clerk confirmed it was a viable petition with enough signatures.
- Polly Mikula asked when the last day will be to submit a petition. The Selectboard stated all petitions needed to be provided at least 47 days in advance of Town Elections. The Selectboard would have to finish all articles 6 Mondays in advance of Town Elections.

## **8. Town Managers Report**

The Selectboard did not discuss the Town Managers Report.

## **9. Executive Session**

- The Selectboard entered into Executive Session at 7:03pm for Legal. They exited at 7:16pm.
- The Selectboard discussed the petition that was presented to the Town Clerk requesting the number of Selectboard Members be raised from 3 to 5. The Town's Legal Counsel recommended that the Town phrase the ballot vote to read "Shall the Town of Killington elect two additional Selectboard Members for terms of 2 years each pursuant to 17 VSA 2650(B) whose terms shall take effect June 1, 2025 with a Special Meeting to be warned to fill these additional positions in the event that the article passes." The changes included the reference to a Special Meeting instead of a Special Annual Meeting, as the Town only holds one Annual Meeting and the reference to two additional Selectboard Members instead of vacant positions, as the positions do not exist at this time.
- SB Haff made a motion to accept the petition as changed by legal counsel. SB Karr and SB Hecker seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously passed.

- The Selectboard entered into the Executive Session at 7:25pm for Personnel. The Selectboard exited at 9:15 pm. No action was taken.

**10. Adjourn**

The Meeting was adjourned at 9:15pm.

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