

Town of Stow

Selectmen Meeting Minutes DATE 04/14/2026

Opening: The Board of Selectmen meeting was called to order at 6:07 pm in Stow, Maine by S. Dupuis

Present

Selectmen: S. Dupuis, S. Shute R. Flint

Town Clerk: Kathleen Panno **Deputy Clerk** C Carone (absent) **Treasurer:** N. Boros

Residents: Nicole Butler

Approval of Agenda: Agenda approved

Approval of Minutes: Minutes from 03/24/2026 meeting approved 3-0

Treasures Report

Cash Balance: \$640,369

Warrant # 22 \$5,084.57

Select Board asked to approve disbursement policies so that state fees and other expenses can be paid with one Select member signature. Approved 3-0.

Update on Foreclosed Property – Jason Dennis, Esq of Hastings Law will complete his work on this shortly.

Tan Note –We expect to receive a proposal letter by the end of the week.

Field Electric Service Agreement – SB voted to pass on the service agreement. 3-0

I requested RHR Smith to deliver a draft of the audit report for 2025 by May 22nd.

Confirmed we have current COIs for Drew Corp

Town Clerk Report

Kathleen Panno and Christine Carone attended a full day class regarding new Election procedures. It was quite detailed, but K.Panno anticipates the process to go smoothly.

Board approved payment to KP and CC for mandatory election training. Approved 3-0.

The office will be closed for the next two Thursdays.

Road Report

Carl Drew and Steve Dupuis measure route 113B to provide specifications for the grinding and grating of the road. Manzer’s Earthworks provided a quote of \$33,861.70; this includes fine grading of the road. Board approved 3-0.

Sarah Shute will contact Alan Eastman and ask him to finish skirting the driveways and other work related to So. Chatham Road.

The Drew Corporation bid for Kezar Lake Road has been accepted. Steve Dupuis will discuss the details of the project with contractor and prepare a contract for both parties to sign.

Stone House Bridge

There had been discussion about installing approach rails to the bridge. Steve Dupuis reviewed the specifications created by Calderwood Engineering and noted that no approach rails were included. He further noted that approach rails were not on the prior bridge. Select Board agreed, approach rails will not be installed. Approved 3-0.

Old Business

Caleb Bowles, Fryeburg's CEO, informed Steve Dupuis he will not be able to take on the role as Stow's CEO. The Board will advertise for this position. K. Panno researched the requirements and confirmed that a CEO is not required to be a licensed plumber. A certificate is required to become a CEO.

S.Dupuis has started to draft a survey for the town's comprehensive plan.

Nicole Butler was appointed to the Cemetery Commission; her term will expire in 2029. Appointment papers were signed.

The Select Board voted to have a Memorial Day Parade commencing at 10:00 am at the Stow Corner Store. (3-0)

The Selectboard will reach out to the Conservation Committee to confirm plans for the Valley Pride Clean-up Day.

The Selectboard will invite an MSAD 72 town representative to the next meeting to discuss the upcoming budget meetings. MSAD 72 will be holding budget meetings at 6:30 pm on May 12 (Molly Ockett), May 13 (New Suncook), and May 15 (Brownfield/Denmark School). The District Budget Vote will be held on May 28th at 7:00 pm at Molly Ockett School Gym.

Next meeting will be Tuesday 04/28/2026

Minutes submitted by Nancy Boros