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Select Board

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Town Administrator

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Select Board Meeting

January 26, 2026
5:00 pm

Joe Lunt, Chris Hodgkins, and Larry Smith were in attendance.

Meeting called to order at 5:10 pm by Joe Lunt

Minutes from Last Meeting: Motion to accept the 1/12/26 minutes by Joe Lunt and seconded by Chris Hodgkins. Approved 3-0.

Next Meeting: The next regular meeting will be on 2/9/2026 at 5:00 pm

Treasurer's Report: Daniel Swain reported that he is making adjustments to the financial statements and will distribute budget worksheets to the Board.

Head of the Harbor: There was discussion on recent news from Sen. Angus King that the Town is approved for \$419,000 in Congressional funding for the culvert replacement and drainage improvements. This grant appears to require a 20% local match. More detailed information is needed.

Planning Board: Kirk Emerson reported on the most recent Planning Board meeting and their recommendation that the Town hold off on updating the Comprehensive Plan until other matters (including amendments to the land use ordinance) are completed.

Municipal Building: The generator project was discussed and the Board approved the purchase and installation of a 1,000 gallon propane tank when the weather allows. Funding was reviewed and it was concluded that there will be adequate funds for the generator and tank in the Steven king Foundation grant. There may also be enough money to also carry out the LED lighting upgrade. If needed, there are also funds designated for the municipal building.

Town Info Sheet: The sheet is ready to go out to approximately 85 names on the tax commitment list and additional copies can be made for distribution by other means.

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Teacher's House: There has been word that school officials may be interested in using the teacher's house for workers who are making repairs to the school. There was discussion on what the terms would be for that and the town administrator was asked to confirm with school officials whether there is interest.

Town Audit: The Administrator was asked to follow up with Daniel Swain regarding any materials needed by the auditor.

Roadside Trimming: There have been issues with tree branches infringing on the travelled way on some town roads. Eastern Beach Road and Sunset Road were specifically mentioned. There was discussion on the legal width of the roads and the best way to take care of the situation. The Town Administrator was asked to prepare a request for proposals.