

Final Minutes
SELECTBOARD, TOWN OF PAWLET
March 3, 2026
7:00 pm
Pawlet Town Hall
122 School Street, Pawlet, VT
& Virtually via Zoom

Members in Attendance:

Mike Beecher
Bob Jones
Jessica Van Oort
Tom Collard
Rich Hulett

Others in Attendance:

Kristin Powers
Annie Nash
Nancy Morlino
Roscoe Stark

EVENT

1. Call to order at 7:05 pm by Chairman, Mike Beecher, with the Pledge of Allegiance and a summary of the Selectboard's Rules of Procedure.
2. Introduction of those present, virtually and in person.
3. Addition or Deletion of Agenda Items.
 - a. Additions: None
 - b. Deletions: Exeutive Session
4. Approval of minutes from previous meeting.
 - Motion made to approve the regular meeting minutes of February 17, 2026 as printed.
 - Mover: Tom Collard
 - 2nd: Rich Hulett
 - Discussion: None.
 - Result: Approved.
5. Pre-Requested Appearances by Local Citizens and Visitors: None

6. Announcements: None.

7. Reports to the Board:

A. Zoning Administrator's (ZA) Report:

- ZA, Nancy Morlino, shared a summary of conversations that took place at the recent PPC meeting revolving around the efforts to reduce speed limits on state-maintained portions of the roadway.
 - Annie Nash, Chair of the PPC, shared the proposed sections of roadway for speed reduction including: VT Rte in front of the Mettowee Community School, extending through the Pawlet Village, as well as at the bend in the road where VT Rte 133 and Danby Pawlet Rd meet.
 - Annie & Nancy sought the support of the Board to work with Rep. Chris Pritchard to draft and submit a letter to the legislature requesting speed reductions.
- Following conversation, the Board and Annie (PPC) determined to have the PPC write a draft letter, with accompanying maps, and bring them back to the Board to review prior to submission.

B. Planning Commission's Report: No report at this meeting.

C. Road Foreman's Report:

- Highway team member, Jim Simmons, provided a report to the Board, summarizing projects completed during the previous two weeks as well as upcoming areas of focus.
- James Greeno, Foreman, has moved on from the Town of Pawlet. The Board discussed this change in personnel.
- Motion made to appoint Jim Simmons as interim Highway Foreman.
 - Mover: Rich Hulett
 - 2nd: Bob Jones
 - Discussion: None
 - Result: Approved
- The Board requested Kristin post team member and foreman positions in the usual channels.

D. Assessor Report:

- Motion made to sign the certificate of no suit pending for the 2025 Grand List.
 - Mover: Jessica Van Oort
 - 2nd: Rich Hulett
 - Discussion: None
 - Result: Approved

E. Town Clerk's Memo:

- Bob Jones signed the Uniform Municipal Excess Weight Permits.

F. Town Treasurer's Memo:

- Town Treasurer, Julie Mach, shared a memo with the Board, including: an overview of payroll, accounts payable, monies from the General Fund, Highway, Wastewater.
- The tax year has been closed, and numbers to be reported at the next regular Selectboard meeting.
- Motion made to approve Payroll Warrant #26049 for \$18,286.04 and Accounts payable Warrant #26047 for \$1,478,344.86.
 - Mover: Jessica Van Oort
 - 2nd: Tom Collard
 - Discussion: None.
 - Result: Approved.

G. Emergency Management Director's Report:

- Bob Morlino electronically shared a report from January 2026, which included attending two webinars and a VT LEPC meeting.

H. Health Officer's Report: No report at this meeting.

I. Waste Water Treatment Facility (WWTF): Nothing to report at this meeting.

J. Facilities Report: No report at this meeting.

8. Reports to the Public:

A. Library Board Report: No report at this meeting.

B. Mettawee School Board (MSB) Report: Nothing to report at this meeting.

9. Old or unfinished business: None.

10. New Business: None.

11. Public comment: None

12. Motion made to adjourn at 7:53 pm.

- Mover: bob Jones
- 2nd: Tom Collard
- Discussion: None
- Result: Approved