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Town of Northumberland
Board of Selectmen
Meeting Minutes - Draft
Date: Monday, January 5, 2026
Place: Town Meeting Room – 10 Station Square
Time: 6:00 P.M.

Board Members present: Jim Weagle, Al Rossetto, Robin Irving
Others present: Pete Marshall, Norm Cotter, Judy Fox, Deb Miles, Reggie & Terri & Charron, Dean Wiles, Glenn Cassady, Debbie Montgomery, Kathy Wiles, Michelle Randall, Rebecca St. Cyr – Minute Taker

1. **Chairman Opens the Meeting –** J. Weagle opened the meeting at 6:00 pm

2. **Pledge of Allegiance -** All

3. **Acceptance of Minutes:** December 15, 2025

   Motion to approve the December 15, 2025 minutes by: A. Rossetto
   2nd by: R. Irving, 2 in Favor – 1 Abstained

4. **Department Head Business: Highway/Water/Sewer**

   Highway – Glenn Cassady, Road Agent

   - The winter has been horrific so far. We ran out of salt for 4 days last week. Everyone in the area is using a lot of it. We got a load in last Friday. The weather cooled down enough so we had to put out a lot of sand with it, which we don't like to do because it gets into sewer system, manholes, etc. Glenn ordered 4 more loads today. We've used ½ to 2/3's of the salt already.
   - We have another storm coming tonight for possibly one to three inches. We want to pick up the snow before it rains. Everything has been froze up.
   - General maintenance is what we've been working on in between other work, repairs, etc.
     We're going to see an increase in materials and in fuel usage. So, we'll have to keep an eye on that and make adjustments to the budget later on.
   - Glenn asked the Board how much longer do they want to keep the lights on the bridge and the tree. The Board agreed he can shut them off anytime.
   - Energy Comm asked for some electric bills, they are doing an energy audit. Glenn was approached by Michael Cole from Eversource regarding lights that are off around town. He said the old streetlights are outdated and they don't have parts for them. Everything is going to LED. Romy and Michelle called Eversource for a quote and were told we would need to find a supplier. Eversource would like the Town to stock the parts. Glenn asked if in the near future were we going to be applying for grants to change out LEDs. Some of the surrounding towns did and with Northern Pass got a lot of lights changed out, they covered the cost of them. They did Lancaster and changed out a lot of the streetlights to LEDs. Glenn further discussed. In the future we're going to have to put money aside, whether it's going to be for a matching grant or we're going to have to put $10,000 out there and get some bids for the heads. Eversource said they would change them for nothing. Discussion continued regarding the heads. There is a meeting/webinar on January 8th, Al will get more info and Dave Auger would have additional info also.

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- Glenn used Brian a few times this month and also had Keith come in a couple of times.
- Discussed the hill project and how the road is holding up.

Robin - One of the action items from Melissa Elander from the Energy Committee, was applying for the grant to reduce diesel emissions. She sent the info to Glenn. She needs the data from Glenn before she can do anything with it. She will meet with him to discuss.

Water/Sewer – Reggie Charron, Superintendent

- Busy with all the testing, yearend reports, he discussed EPA and DES, the State is dropping things down to the municipalities. We are trying to maintain all the mandates.
- We pumped 11.5 million gallons less this year than last year. This has been since the hill project started. We are keeping the pressures down and the volumes down. Keeping a close eye on the Village. In Lost Nation, over 5 years we found a lot homeowner issues, we have been steady at 1.1 million gallons/ year. 18 years ago, we were over 4.4 million gallons/year - we've cut it by ¾'s. Seeing the improvements, is due to everyone working together. The girls in the office are helping a lot as well as Terri. He's working on reports that are due in April.
- Keith started reading meters today.
- Reggie advised he has a lot going on right now.
- Romy is doing the DMR reporting, Michelle is helping as well. We have multiple people involved now. Talked about getting emails and other information updated.

Debbie Montgomery asked what he meant by information missing. Reggie explained that we've been changing a lot of things, (servers, IT company, employee's) it has nothing to do with others taking it. Some of the information is mis-labeled. Michelle further explained. Discussion continued about the server issues. J. Weagle said when you change IT companies sometimes they are not seamless.

5. Requested Agenda Matters:

a. Lucas Nast – Trailer Dealer Request – not here.

b. Daegan Styles, 257 Lancaster Rd. asking for permission to shoot coyotes in Lost Nation area.
Motion to approve by: A. Rossetto, 2nd by: R. Irving, All in Favor 3-0

6. Town Business:

a. J. Weagle read the warrant for the property taxes – $3,511,666.06 - with interest accruing after February 6th. Payment of the taxes will be due on February 6. (Tax rate/$27.33)
Motion to sign by: A. Rossetto, 2nd by: R. Irving, All in Favor 3-0

Reggie reminded that we have started reading the water meters and bills are anticipated to go out in 2-3 weeks.

b. Review Schedule of 2026 Meetings - The schedule is available at the Town Office, it will be posted on the website as well.

c. Approval for Transfer from Capital Reserve - $20,280 – This is for paving that's already done.
Motion to sign by: A. Rossetto, 2nd by: R. Irving, All in Favor 3-0

d. Review AVH Service Agreement – This is a contract for drug testing.
Motion to have the Chairman sign by: A. Rossetto, 2nd by: R. Irving, All in Favor 3-0

7. Applications/Permits and Warrants:

a. Zoning Permit Map/Lot: 102-020-00-00 – America Legion – installing a new roof over the entry way.
Motion to approve by: A. Rossetto, 2nd by: R. Irving, All in Favor 3-0

8. **Public Comment:

- Pete Marshall asked how much of Brown Road does the Town maintain? Glenn said to Craggy Rd.

- J. Fox asked about issuing tickets for parking at the High School. J. Weagle said he can't issue tickets; but has asked people to move with no issues. M. Randall commented that the tickets we have are actually State citations, she further explained. Jim can still have cars towed.

- Glenn mentioned moving vehicles that are in the way for plowing. J. Weagle is working on it, there are a couple that will need to be towed. He discussed another vehicle (out back) that we need to keep an eye on.

- K Wiles asked J. Weagle if he has gotten anywhere with the ad for help in the office (Financial). J. Weagle said he has it and will get it down to the office this week.

9. Announcements:

10. Next Board Meeting Date: Tuesday, January 20, 2026

11. Non-Public Session: (Pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, II (a)(b)(c):

There was no Non-Public Session held.

12. Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn by: A. Rossetto, 2nd by: R. Irving, All in Favor 3-0

Meeting adjourned at 6:36 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Rebecca St Cyr
Minute Taker/Transcriber

*Agenda is subject to change

**Deadline for Agenda items is 12:00 noon on the Friday before scheduled business meeting (by vote of Board of Selectmen at 7/11/2005 meeting). This deadline may be amended by the Board of Selectmen at will (by vote of Board of Selectmen at 06/17/2024 meeting).

Minutes approved by Northumberland Select Board Members on_____

X _____
Jim Weagle
Northumberland Select Board Chairman

X_____
Robin Irving
Northumberland Select Board Vice Chairman

X_____
Alan Rossetto
Northumberland Select Board Member