

# Town of Hermon Public Safety Meeting Room March 13, 2025

**Town Council Meeting** 

6:30 PM

## **MINUTES**

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## \*\*\*ALL ITEMS ARE SUBJECT TO APPROPRIATE COUNCIL ACTION\*\*\*

## I. CALL TO ORDER BY CHAIRPERSON:

# II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Chair Snyer led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance

# III. ROLL CALL:

Members Present: Joshua Berry, Richard Cyr, Christopher Gray, Terry Hamm-Morris, John

Snyer III and Derek Wood

Members Absent: Ronald Murphy - excused

Others Present: Town Manager Stephen Fields, Town Clerk Kristen Cushman,

27 residents/guests

# IV. PUBLIC ITEMS OR COMMENTS\*: (ITEMS NOT ALREADY ON THE AGENDA)

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- V. REVIEW CONSENT CALENDAR: REGULAR BUSINESS, APPOINTMENTS, SIGNATURES, AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES:
  - Resignation of Greg Newell from the Planning Board

MINUTES -APPROVE 2-13-2025

SIGNATURES -APPROVE Quitclaim M/L 025-131-000T # 2965

Quitclaim M/L 004-011-000 # 19

RESOLVES -SIGN 1-31-2025 & 2-14-2025

WARRANTS -SIGN

Councilor Berry moved to approve the Consent Calendar as presented.

Councilor Wood seconded the motion. Motion passes 6-0.

- VI. NEWS, PRESENTATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS:
- VII. PUBLIC HEARINGS:
- **VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS:**
- IX. SCHEDULED AGENDA ITEMS:
  - A. OLD or INCOMPLETE BUSINESS:
  - **B. NEW BUSINESS:**

**R24-25-24 Consider** scheduling:

- June 10, 2025 Secret ballot Election for Municipal and School
- June 12, 2025 Annual Town meeting to vote on budget warrant articles
- November 4, 2025 State Election

Councilor Hamm-Morris moved to approve R24-25-24. Councilor Wood seconded the motion. The motion was accepted. Motion passes 6-0.

**R24-25-25** Consider accepting revisions of the Planning Board by laws changes

<u>Councilor Wood moved to approve R24-25-25. Councilor Cyr seconded the motion.</u> The motion was accepted. Motion passes 6-0.



# **FR24-25-17 Consider** awarding the FY26 – FY31 Sweeping Contract

<u>Councilor Wood moved to approve R24-25-17. Councilor Cyr seconded the</u> motion. The motion was accepted. Motion passes 6-0.

#### C. WORKSHOPS:

- Northern Light Advanced Life Support (ALS) Backup Billing Contract Cody Sullivan
- FY2026 Draft Municipal budget Stephen Fields
- FY2026 Draft School budget David Walker
- D. OTHER ITEMS: (FROM TABLE PACKAGE)

# X. APPOINTMENTS:

# **XI. MANAGER STATUS REPORT:**

Winter is still hanging around, despite the nice recent weather. Be cautious on when the next snowfall occurs as the spring snows are heavier than normal and with driving.

Spring is slowly coming. The Transfer Station will open for the season on Saturday, April 26<sup>th</sup>.

Nomination papers for Town Council and School Committee are now available at the Town Office.

The recreation staff appreciate your understanding as the team pivoted on changing the Daughter Dance date. The event was a success. Visit the Recreation Facebook and website for upcoming events.

Our Fire Department continues to provide excellent service to the community.

Public Works staff is working with contractors in pothole maintenance and spring preparation. If you have any questions about trash or pothole notifications, please reach out to Nick Haggerty.

Thank you to the Deputy Clerks for the past few weeks as the team was tasked with additional projects while maintaining current duties and collecting payments.

Thank you to the residents and businesses of a great little town in the heart of Maine to live, work and play. May you all continue to take care of each other and stay safe.



# XII. FINAL PUBLIC ITEMS OR COMMENT\*: (ITEMS NOT ALREADY ON THE AGENDA)

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- Tony Reynolds, Route 2

# XIII. COUNCIL ITEMS:

<u>Josh Berry: Asked Manager Fields to go over the timeline leading up to Annual Town Meeting.</u>

Terry Hamm-Morris: Thanked all who attended tonight's meeting.

Chris Gray: Thanked Mr. David Walker for all the hard work he has put into the budget in such a short time from January 6, 2025 to March 31, 2025. It's obviously a reflection or 49 years of hard work and I appreciate it.

John Snyer III: Thanked everyone who worked on all the budgets. Mr, Walker did quite the job getting thrown into it on January 6, 2025. Mr. Fields for working on our and revamping things, appreciate it.

XIV. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

XV. ADJOURNMENT:

<u>Councilor Gray moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:41 PM. Councilor Hamm-Morris seconded.</u> With no objection the meeting was adjourned at 8:41 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kristen Cushman, Town Clerk

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**Explanatory note #1:** All items in the CONSENT CALENDAR are considered routine and are proposed for adoption by the Town Council with one motion without DISCUSSION or deliberation. If DISCUSSION on any item is desired, any member of the Council or public may request the removal of an item for it to be placed in the regular agenda prior to the motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

Explanatory Note #2: In the interest of effect decision-making: At 10:00 p.m., the Chairman shall poll the Council and Town Manager to identify remaining items which shall be carried forward to the next Regular Meeting.

Explanatory Note #3: A Councilor who feels the need for the Council excusing his/her absence will make the request to the Town Manager or the Town Clerk prior to the meeting.