

Town of Westmore VT

Municipal Building

54 Hinton Hill Road

October 20th 2025

6 pm.

Select Board Meeting Minutes

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Attendance in person: Peter Hyslop (vice Chair), Bill Perkins, Miriam Simonds, Isaiah Casey, Elaine Cashin, Dan Sicard, Bob Kennedy, Carol Davis, John Zimmer, Ellie Mazchak, Deborah Baskins, Peggy Zimmer, Mathew Wilson- chronicle

Attendance on zoom:

Donna Dzugas, Doug Mortin, Carol Casey

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Call to order:

Peter called a meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

Additions to the agenda:

None

**Ramp group Peggy Zimmer request of signed letter of support for VTrans
Transportation Alternatives Grant Application for a scoping study for Rte 5A**

Peggy pointed out Rte 5A is a dangerous road full of cars, trucks and big rigs; that is being shared with many bicycles, pedestrians, walk and running, including handicapped too. This scoping grant would be the first step in seeing how the road is currently used and frequency of the uses. The grant would pay 80% - should be around a \$50,000 dollar job. With town match (20%) about \$10,000. It may be billed in 2027 by the time we would see our first bill. It is a 1 to 2-year survey. Doug Morton said it is best to start here. He completely agrees this is the way to go. Other towns that have done this scoping study and have been very happy with results, they said it is worth trying.

Bill made a motion to approve the letter of support. Miriam seconded.

Motion passed

Road signs and pedestrian walking sign request -

Discussion on road signs and what Doug Morton from NVDA had said it is ultimately a select board decision, and MUTCD book VTrans orange book. Pedestrian signs discussed. No action taken.

Equipment

Tabled till budget meeting

Brian Aubuchon the garbage man.

Discussion, ask if he is needed?

2025 Re-appraisal Compliance Status

Getting at least sealed bids hoping for thee, all third parties and re appraisal to happen in 2030/2031.

Elaine Cashin resignation as Selectboard Clerk

Pete respectfully regrets accepting the resignation of the Selectboard Clerk. Isaiah seconded. Motion passed.

PACIF 2025 Grant

Safety grant to pay 50% up to 1500\$. New oil pump cart, and tire dolly garage. The office chair and monitor stand in the clerks office.

Peter made a motion to spend up to \$3000 between office and garage with the grant, have David look and sign, Isaiah seconded. Motion Passed.

Livestock policy

Tabled. Isaiah to get with David.

Town Plan ray pike

Town fire department confirmed fire department maintains 3 dry hydrants

Town Cottage Policies

Review policy and come back at the next meeting.

Trash Ordinance fines for illegal dumping

Isaiah made a motion to add a \$2500 first Offence trash dumping fine. Bill seconded. Motion passed

Tower Lane

Postponed/ Tabled till David there

Quote sander

Bill made a motion to purchase BOSS VBX 3YARD POLY SANDER INSTALLED FROM AUTO SAVER GROUP FOR \$9445.00. Isaiah seconded. Motion passed.

Sander replacement mack

Didn't need as ABOVE PASSED.

Local citizens and visitors:

none

(Was part of correspondence from last board meeting) Isaiah had said he would add to minutes as requested by a local towns person - drought information. The State of Vermont wants to monitor the drying up of wells and springs. I know we have had some rain in recent days but not enough to be out of the woods in our current drought situation. If your well or spring dries up please be cautious of where you are getting water that you are drinking and cooking with. Test it if possible or boil it, even road side springs can have harmful bacteria in it.

Also please report the drying up of springs and wells to:

www.healthVermont.gov/water/drought.

For current drought conditions and other resources

www.drought.Vermont.gov.

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Wheels for warmth tire donations and sales

Westmore Halloween party October 31st at Fellowship Hall 4pm to 6 pm

Consolidated Communications is now Fidium

Dept. Fish and Wildlife clarification that posted land be renewed annually- expiration at the end of the calendar year.

Co-op insurance notice of non renewal of policy.

Approval of Minutes September 22nd, 2025, September 25th both 5:30pm, and 6:00pm, October 6th, an October 14th budget meeting.

Miriam motioned to accept with correction in Oct 6th -Sept 22, Sept 25th 5:30 & 6pm, October 6th. (October 14th budget meeting minutes tabled until budget meeting) Isaiah seconded. Motion passed.

Review Bills, Sign select orders and payroll #21:

Peter made a motion to review, approve, and sign select orders and payroll #21. Miriam seconded, motion passed.

Adjorn:

Peter motioned to adjourn at 7:50pm. Bill seconded

Minutes Prepared by Isaiah Casey:

X David Stevens._____ (Board chair)

X Peter Hyslop._____ (vice chair)

X Bill Perkins._____.

X Miriam Simmonds._____.

X Isaiah Casey._____.

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