

Sutton Select Board Meeting  
October 30, 2025

Joe Solinsky, Chair called the meeting to order at 6:02PM

Attendance: Select Board Chair: Joe Solinsky; Select Board Members: Tim Simpson; Denis Royer, II; Town Clerk/Treasurer: Patti McClure; Highway Forman: Shane Heath; NVDA Representative Paul Brouha; DRB/PC Board Members: Scott Cunningham; Rob Simms Public: Rob Michaud and Trenny Robb; Minutes Clerk: Mary Gray;

Modifications: Add Rob Michaud to Agenda

***Denis made a motion to accept the Select Board Minutes for September 30, 2025. Tim seconded the motion. Motion passed***

***Denis made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report for October 30, 2025. Tim seconded the motion. Joe had a date correction to Oct 30 2025 report. Motion passed with correction.***

Delinquent Tax Report was handed out. 2 properties will be for a tax sale the second week in December 2025. Will confirm the date and update the board.

DRB/PC Board: Rob Simms and Scott Cunningham: Rob Simms explained that Alison Low and Liam Abbate from NVDA will come to a meeting if the board wishes to invite them to answer any questions or concerns. Rob feels there was a misunderstanding at the last meeting about Act 181 and new designations for industrial zone on Route 5 that did not seem to merge with the new land-use map. Basically, Rob stated that the rule of law is the town zoning/town plan takes precedence over all else and if the zoning stays the same, that will supersede any regional changes. A partial exemption would be Act 250. The Sutton Village area might be one place to look for possible changes, since the water system supplies the village, we could possibly go for state funding. NVDA basically would have an advisory position should the town request it, but their role is between the towns and the state and in charge of administration and they also work with the land use board. Paul Brouha said the town may reconsider short-term rentals in the by-laws and update the town plan.

Robert Michaud was asking if we could leave Michaud Drive open for the winter. Shane feels we should keep it closed for safety reasons, but we will keep it open as long as possible. We are still waiting on the state to approve a possible grant to fix it.

Patti brought up the "Certificate of Zoning Compliance" stating that her office or the Lister's office does not receive them once a person moves into their residence. There are statues pertaining to this: Vermont State Statutes Title 24: Chapter 117: Subchapter 009: ADOPTION, ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT, § 4449.

***Denis made a motion to have the “Certificate of Zoning Compliance” approved for any heated structure for residence built in Sutton from today forward and forwarded to the Town Clerk’s office. Tim seconded the motion. Motion passed***

The Town of Sutton submitted a letter to Governor Scott and the Vermont Agency of Transportation requesting funding from the State of Vermont for the July 10, 2025 flood, after the denial of federal funding by the president. (Letter is in the Town Clerk’s office for viewing) The board requested Patti to send an e-mail to Pat Moulton for ideas on funds.

***Tim made a motion to purchase 2,500 yards of gravel from Sutton Sand and Gravel at \$12.50 per yard utilizing the \$20,000. Local impact grant. Denis seconded the motion. Motion passed.***

***Salt & Clearlane prices from Cargill are 2025: Deicer Salt \$107.25/yd; Clearlane \$121.00/yd***

Bids: Spencer Service was the only bid.

West side plowing and sanding \$225.00 each time. (no additional if only needs sanding)

East Side plowing and sanding \$300.00 each time. (no addition if only needs sanding)

***Denis made a motion to award Spencer’s Service the plowing bid. Tim seconded the motion. Motion passed***

Highway: Shane said that starting next Monday, they will be replacing a culvert on Underpass Road that has rotted away. They are also getting the trucks ready for winter.

Tabled Business:

- Alternate DRB/PC Member
- Cutting Trees on Fire Department Lane (Tim is working on this)

Review Invoices and Signed Warrants

Correspondence: Patti handed out the letters; no discussion.

November 2025 meeting will be held on December 4, 2025 and December meeting will be held on December 30, 2025 due to holidays.

Denis made a motion to adjourn at 7:47PM. Tim seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Submitted by:

Mary Gray,  
Minutes Clerk