

Sutton Select Board Meeting
December 4, 2025
(November, 2025 meeting)

Joe Solinsky, Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM

Attending: Select Board Chair: Joe Solinsky; Select Board Members: Tim Simpson; Denis Royer, II; Town Clerk/Treasurer: Patti McClure; Highway Foreman; Shane Heath; Zoning Administrator: Joe Witt; Public: Adam Bruggeman; Minutes Clerk; Mary Gray

Modifications: none

Tim made a motion to approve the Select Board Minutes for October 25, 2025 with the correction on salt being tons not yards. Joe seconded the motion. Motion passed with the correction.

Joe made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report for December 4, 2025. Tim seconded the motion. Discussion: School payment made of \$1,470,527.70. The comment was this is much higher than last year. No more discussion. Motion passed

Delinquent Tax Report handed out. Updated the board on December 15, 2025 tax sale.

Joe Witt. Violations to address, Solid Waste Ordinance violation.

- Joe explained the violations of the various properties he has been dealing with.
 - Larry Francis-trailer in the town's right-of-way. Joe had given various deadline dates with no results. Tim said as of today the trailer has been moved out of the right-of-way and onto the property.
 - Heather Bella, tiny buildings with people living in them need to be moved. As of today, nothing has been done to comply.
 - James Perry, tires on property which is an environmental issue. Joe contacted the state about the tires. The state said that only 100 tires are allowed on a property at one time. There are a lot more than that and the state is not doing anything about it.
 - Lorraine and Gale Berry, violation of the junk ordinance
 - Crystal Rolfe, violation of junk ordinance and violation of a burned property being taken down within 1 year as per the town's ordinance. Joe did indicate that the trailers were taken from the front yard to the back yard but not into the swamp.
- The town will send letters to the violators about the town's intentions to have them clean up their property in a timely manner. The board suggested a date of May 1, 2026 to have everything cleaned up by the property owner.

Patti will check with the town attorney to see the legal steps the town can take if the properties in violation will not conform. What type of fines can we levy against the property? Going onto the property to deal with the junk and tires. How to attach the property if the town invests money to clean up the properties and recoup the funds should the property be sold.

Patti talked about the form of attached to the building permits Certificate of Zoning Compliance to have Joe do a follow up as to if the new residents built are now living there and file that with Patti to record then send it to the Listers. Joe also said that the builders now need to fill out the form to the state for an Energy Certificate that the builder follows the state energy laws. Joe said he should be having that also since it is a state mandate. Joe said he will get both forms to Patti to file.

Budget meeting at the Fire Dept. at 6:00PM; December 18, 2025 then January 15, 2026.

Highway: Shane said just plowing snow. The 2019 International truck is having some hydraulic issues and some code issues. Shane would like Joe to talk to Jim Perry about the tires in the town right-of-way before the next snowstorm predicted next week. Shane wanted to know if we were going to fix Sutton Hollow Road, which he recommended doing.

Tabled business:

- Alternate DRB/PC Member
- Cutting of trees on the Fire Department land

Patti received an e-mail from Pat Moulton inquiring if the meeting was going to be held due to weather conditions. Patti said she did not see the email until it was too late to let her know. Patti said she forwarded some emails from Pat for them to read.

Reviewed invoices and warrants signed.

Tim made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:41PM . Denis seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Submitted by
Mary Gray
Minutes Clerk