

Monday, March 2, 2026 @ 6:30 PM
Public Hearing on Unanticipated Funds
and
Dalton Select Board Meeting

Public hearing called to order at 6:30pm by Jo Beth. Select Board members Jo Beth Dudley, Eric Moore and Thomas Dubreuil were present. Meeting available for public viewing via Zoom.

Public attendees: Mandy Deveno, Pam Kathan, Kris Ennis, Wayne Sweeney, Michael Carrier, Michael Trudeau, and Scott Kleinshrodt. Via Zoom: Jon Swan and Carol Sheltry.

The hearing is to accept the funds from FEMA for \$27,314.76. These funds were for reimbursement of funds expended in the July 2024 flood road restoration and mitigation.

Jo Beth asked if there were any questions. After no one had any questions. Jo Beth motioned to accept the unanticipated funds. Eric provided a second with approval via roll call vote.

Jo Beth closed the public hearing and called to order the select board meeting at 6:33pm.

The board signed AP checks and payroll. Jo Beth asked about a \$7k grader repair bill. Jeanette confirmed it was for the grader. There was another invoice for batteries for the grader for almost \$500.

Jeanette presented the bank reconciliations for January 2026 along with the transaction report for the month. Jo Beth asked if the budget gets entered after the town meeting. Jeanette confirmed that is when it happens.

An Affirmation for Senator Shaheen's Congressional Spending Grant for 2027 was provided to Jo Beth for signature. This is for the grant application to fund a new Fire Department Tanker. Jo Beth motioned for board approval. Eric provided a second. Approval via roll call vote 2-1. Tom voted 'nay'. Motion carried.

Melissa Elander from Clean Energy NH asked the board to sign a letter supporting SB538 for municipal net metering to continue to be allowed in New Hampshire. This allows the solar array the town has to collect energy generated and have them converted into credit which help pay for other town buildings' energy use. Mandy Deveno asked if this was only affecting municipalities or if it was also going to affect individual residents. Jeanette stated it only affect municipalities at this time. Jo Beth motioned for Jeanette to draft the letter and the board provide Jo Beth with authorization to sign on behalf of the board. Eric provided a second with approval via roll call vote.

Jeanette provided the tax-exempt certificate for Jo Beth to sign for Global Montello, our provider of our fuel card program, so that taxes can be deducted from fuel sales. Jo Beth signed the form.

Jeanette provided a request for permission from Coos Quilters for a raffle to benefit local libraries. Jo Beth motioned for approval. Eric provided a second with approval via roll call vote.

Our assessor couldn't locate the signed data acceptance sheet signed by the Board previously. He asked for the form to be executed again so that it could be submitted to DRA. The board executed the document; Jeanette will forward it to the assessor.

The meeting minutes from February 2, 2026, were provided to the board for review and approval. Jo Beth motioned to approve the minutes. Eric provided a second with approval via roll call vote 2-1. Tom abstained.

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The meeting minutes from February 9, 2026, working session were provided to the board for review and approval. Jo Beth motioned to approve the minutes with a second from Eric. Approval via roll call vote 2-1 with Tom abstaining.

Nonpublic meeting minutes #1 from February 9, 2026 were presented to the board for review and approval. Jo Beth motioned for approval with a second from Tom and approval via roll call vote.

The meeting minutes from February 12, 2026, were provided to the board for review and approval. Jo Beth motioned to approve the minutes with a second from Eric. Approval via roll call vote 2-1 with Tom abstaining.

The meeting minutes from February 19, 2026, working session were provided to the board for review and approval. Jo Beth motioned to approve the minutes with a second from Eric. Approval via roll call vote 2-1 with Tom abstaining.

The titles on the capital reserve accounts for the Fire Department Vehicle and Fire/EMS Equipment have been corrected by the trustees of the trust funds.

The VoIP telephones have been installed in the office as of today. There is concern over the phone line for the alarm system and whether or not it can be VoIP or not. Jeanette will inquire.

Kyle was not present to provide an update for the transfer station or recycling. Jo Beth asked Tom for the offer letter he was generating for Kyle's new job roll as transfer station manager. Tom stated he didn't have time to do it.

Tom had no update for the conservation commission meeting as he was not in attendance. Michael Carrier was present and stated that Nancy Comeau and Ernie Hannaford were going to co-chair the Commission.

The planning board had multiple subdivision/lot line adjustment requests. There were requests for Kenison on Hall Rd., Nelson on Faraway Rd., and Haskins on Tucker Lane. There was also discussion regarding the development of property at the end of Tucker Rd. for a residence/business. The board let Mr. Shaw know that the town only maintains Tucker Rd. to a certain point. The subdivisions and lot line adjustment have public hearings on Wednesday, March 4, 2026 at 7pm, as publicly noticed.

The Host Community Agreement committee met on Monday, February 23, 2026. At this point, the committee is working to find an attorney to work with the group to draft an agreement.

Jo Beth asked about the balance due to the town for the solar grant project. The town received the balance of the solar array project reimbursement in the amount of \$8,183.40. The town has now received the entire grant reimbursement amount due for the project.

Jeanette has not pursued the scale for the transfer station since there are potential changes being made to the station at this time.

The highway truck grant opportunity is in its last month and Adam needs to get the second quote. Jo Beth asked if the board should reach out to him; Jeanette stated they can if they'd like to.

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The town election is on Tuesday, March 10, 2026. Select Board coverage is needed. Tom will be in at 8 and stay until about 11:00. Jo Beth will come in from about 11:00 until early afternoon. Eric will be here to cover from 3-7pm and then head into town meeting. The board reviewed the town warrant and discussed who would introduce and motion each warrant at town meeting and who would second the motion. Tom declared that he was not participating as a member of the select board since he didn't sign the town report. Jo Beth and Eric will alternate presenting and motioning the warrants.

Eric motioned for the attorney to be present at the town meeting. Tom immediately provided a second. Jo Beth asked if it was necessary to spend the additional money since the warrants are straight forward and there are no contentious issues. Eric stated he should be there. Tom and Eric voted 'Yah' with Jo Beth voting 'nay'. Motion carries. Eric to contact Nate Midolo to see if he is available to be at the meeting.

Public comments:

Scott Kleinschrodt was present to let the board know that the town plow trucks hit the mailboxes at the end of Bush Road and Route 142 for a second time. The first time, a couple years ago, Tex Locke made repairs to the boxes without requesting any financial reimbursement from the town. Scott would like the boxes repaired and asked if our insurance would provide financial reimbursement for the repairs. Scott provided pictures of the boxes with cinder blocks holding up one side of the mailbox assembly. Jo Beth stated that the town could likely make the repairs or have them made, and Scott voiced that would be acceptable. Jo Beth asked Scott to put the request in writing and the board would follow up on the issue with the road agent and insurance provider to have it resolved. Scott agreed to provide the information in writing.

After no further public comment, Jo Beth motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:36pm. Eric provided a second with approval via roll call vote.

Minutes Respectfully submitted by Jeanette Charon.

Minutes Approved On: 3/16/26 (date)

Jo Beth Dudley

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Thomas Dubreuil

Eric Moore

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