

**Monday, May 28, 2026 @ 5 PM**  
**Working Session**  
**Dalton Select Board Meeting**

Meeting called to order at 5pm by Jo Beth. Select Board members Jo Beth Dudley, Eric Moore and Warren Green were present. Meeting available for public viewing via Zoom.

Public attendees: None Via Zoom: None

Adam King, road agent, was present to discuss the status of the town road repairs and mitigation work remaining from the July 2024 flood event. Adam asked the board to approve hiring a contractor to help with headwalls and culvert replacement. Adam also asked if he could hire a seasonal part-time employee. Bob Wentworth is being used but Adam could use another person to help with ditching, riprap and general road labor. The board discussed that the seasonal employees were not believed to have been included in the 2026 highway department budget. Adam stated that the work is too plentiful for the current team.

Jeanette provided Adam with a list of work to be completed as well as approved mitigation work for the town's roads. The list includes a map and GPS coordinates for the work areas. A mitigation plan for the last contract, including French Road, as well as others, has been submitted to FEMA for review and approval. That mitigation work should not be completed until approved by the FEMA team. This work is noted on the open work item list provided to Adam. The board reviewed and black and white copy; Jeanette offered to email a colored version to the board members. They agreed that would be helpful.

The contract extensions received from FEMA gave a deadline of 7/15/26 for Dalton Roads III and 7/30/26 for Blakslee and Dalton Roads II. We must show substantial progress by these dates in order for the second contract extension to the requested 11/30/26 final completion date.

Jo Beth mentioned that she has seen the grader on Forest Lake Road a couple times already this spring. She expressed concern that the focus should be on the FEMA work, not on routine road maintenance. Adam explained that he has received various complaint calls about potholes on Forest Lake and Faraway and he was trying to remedy those situations. Jo Beth stated that Adam can redirect residents to call the select board office with their complaints. Jeanette offered to take the calls and make a list that can be reviewed and put in order of priority. FEMA work must be the focus right now while the town can be reimbursed for the repairs and approved mitigation work.

A part-time seasonal employee job opening will be posted with work to consist of 5-20 hours per week, through the summer, at a rate of \$18 - \$20 per hour. A contractor will be hired to work on Union and Harriman Roads, with help on other roads if needed. Jo Beth motioned to approve the hiring of the contractor and one seasonal part-time employee. Eric provided a second with approval via roll call vote.

The board discussed the replacement of Kyle at the transfer station, whose last day is June 30, 2026. Mike Carrier is an option to fill-in, if necessary, as are other highway department employees. Owin and Adam have their permits; Jeff needs to be registered for the class.

Expenditures were briefly discussed regarding truck repairs. The new dump truck grant is in its final round for approvals with the state. Other truck replacement will be possible with the capX planning

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put into place during last fall's budgeting process and town meeting votes for capital reserve contributions.

Highway department employees should be cross-trained on all of the equipment. Right now, Jeff mostly runs the 10-wheel dump truck with Bob or Adam in the grader and/or excavator. Owin is working on obtaining his CDL so that he can driver the 10-wheel dump truck. Adam encourages the employees to familiarize themselves with the equipment in the yard whenever possible.

Jo Beth asked if everything we needed for the summer work has been ordered. Adam stated that it was. He found a new headwall supplier who carries many of our sizes in stock.

Tucker Road, just past the driveway, is not town maintained. The planning board reviewed this, including the circa 1987 warrant article that clearly indicates that the town does not maintain Tucker Road past the driveway. The planning board shared this information with the property owner who lives on the non-maintained road past the driveway. Any changes in the status of the road would require approval by the legislative body at town meeting.

Adam asked for a new phone. His current phone blacks out and doesn't show any display on the screen. Jeanette will check into replacements for both Ron and Adam. Ron has mentioned it in the past.

Jeanette provided the MS-535 to the board for review and approval. Jo Beth motioned with a second by Eric. Final approval via roll call vote.

Jeanette presented the 1<sup>st</sup> issue tax warrant for board review and approval. Jo Beth motioned for approval with a second by Eric and approval via roll call vote.

The nonpublic meeting minutes from April 29, 2026, were provided for approval. Jo Beth motioned with a second from Eric. Approval via roll call vote.

Under Canvas has invited Fire/EMS to tour their facility on Tuesday, June 2, 2026. The select board is invited to attend.

The job description for the transfer station manager was reviewed and modified to apply to the transfer station attendant position currently available and being posted. Jo Beth motioned for approval of the modified job description and posting of the job opening. Eric provided a second with approval via roll call vote. Jeanette will make the approved changes and post the position.

Jo Beth motioned to go into nonpublic for legal at 6:23pm. Eric provided a second with approval via roll call vote.

Jo Beth motioned to re-enter public session at 6:30pm. Eric provided a second with approval via roll call vote.

Jo Beth motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:31pm. Eric provided a second with approval via roll call vote.

Minutes Respectfully submitted by Jeanette Charon.

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Minutes Approved On: 6/8/26 (date)

Jo Beth Dudley

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Warren Green

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Eric Moore

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Nonpublic Session Minutes

Town of Dalton

Date: May 28, 2026 # 1 Legal

Members Present: Jo Beth Dudley    x   

Eric Moore    x   

Warren Green    x   

Motion to enter Nonpublic Session made by Jo Beth seconded by Eric

Specific Statutory Reason cited as foundation for the nonpublic session:

    RSA 91-A:3, II (a) The dismissal, promotion, or compensation of any public employee or the disciplining of such employee, or the investigation of any charges against him or her, unless the employee affected (1) has a right to a public meeting, and (2) requests that the meeting be open, in which case the request shall be granted.

    RSA 91-A:3, II(b) The hiring of any person as a public employee.

  x   RSA 91-A:3, II(c) Matters which, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person, other than a member of this board, unless such person requests an open meeting. This exemption shall extend to include any application for assistance or tax abatement or waiver of a fee, fine or other levy, if based on inability to pay or poverty of the applicant.

    RSA 91-A:3, II(d) Consideration of the acquisition, sale or lease of real or personal property which, if discussed in public, would likely benefit a party or parties whose interests are averse to those of the general community.

    RSA 91-A:3, II(e) Consideration or negotiation of pending claims or litigation which has been threatened in writing or filed by or against this board or any subdivision thereof, or by or against any member thereof because of his or her membership therein, until the claim or litigation has been fully adjudicated or otherwise settled

    RSA 91-A:3, II(i) Consideration of matters relating to the preparation for and the carrying out of emergency functions, including training to carry out such functions, developed by local or state safety officials that are directly intended to thwart a deliberate act that is intended to result in widespread or severe damage to property or widespread injury or loss of life.

    RSA 91-A:3, II(l) Consideration of legal advice provided by legal counsel, either in writing or orally, to one or more members of the public body, even where legal counsel is not present.

Roll Call vote to enter nonpublic session:	Jo Beth Dudley	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	No
	Eric Moore	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	No
	Warren Green	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	No

Remove public meeting tape (if applicable).

Entered nonpublic session at 6:23 a.m.  p.m.

Nonpublic Session Minutes

Town of Dalton

Other persons present during nonpublic session: Jeanette Charon, Town Administrator present and note taking.

Description of matters discussed, and final decisions made: The town's assessor spoke with Ruth Duval and was provided additional information from her regarding her farming activities on her 4 acre lot recently removed from current use. After reviewing all of the information received, he ruled that the 4 acres would not come out of current use, as it qualifies for farm use even though it is less than 10 acres, as required for current use land. The assessor suggested the LUCT previously issued for the property be abated in its entirety. Jo Beth motioned to approve the suggested abatement. Eric provided a second with approval via roll call vote.

Note: Under RSA 91-A:3, III. Minutes of proceedings in nonpublic sessions shall be kept and the record of all actions shall be promptly made available for public inspection, except as provided in this section. Minutes and decisions reached in nonpublic session shall be publicly disclosed within 72 hours of the meeting, unless, by recorded vote of 2/3 of the members present, it is determined that divulgence of the information likely would affect adversely the reputation of any person other than a member of this board, or render the proposed action of the board ineffective, or pertain to terrorism. In the event of such circumstances, information may be withheld until, in the opinion of a majority of members, the aforesaid circumstances no longer apply.

Motion to leave nonpublic session and return to public session by Jo Beth, seconded by Eric.

Motion: PASSED / DID NOT PASS (circle one)

Nonpublic meeting tape removed; public meeting tape replaced (if applicable).

Public session reconvened at 6:30 a.m./p.m.

Motion made to seal these minutes. If so, motion made by         , seconded by         , because it is determined that divulgence of this information likely would

         Affect adversely the reputation of any person other than a member of this board

         Render a proposed action ineffective

         Pertains to preparation or carrying out of actions regarding terrorism

Roll Call Vote to seal minutes:	Jo Beth Dudley	Yes	No
	Eric Moore	Yes	No
	Warren Green	Yes	No

Motion: PASSED / DID NOT PASS (circle one)

These minutes recorded by: Jeanette Charon