

Board of Selectmen Meeting
Wednesday, September 2, 2026
4:30 PM Town Hall

Present: Henry Tirrell, Leo Colwell, Sandy Evans, Barbara Gomez, Deborah Nelson,
Avice Meehan and Kathryn Boughton

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m.

Public Comments: None

Approval of Minutes: August 5, 2026 and August 20, 2026

MOTION S. Evans to approve the minutes of the August 5, 2026 and August 20, 2026 meetings as presented. Second L. Colwell. Carried unanimously.

Town Clerk – Summer Report

- Deborah Nelson, Town Clerk, attended the meeting to report on the status of opening her office on Friday mornings to process Transfer Station and Tobey Pond stickers. June and July were busy but by August it had tapered down (see attached report).

Discussion regarding possible new committees

- Speed Ticketing Device Ad Hoc Committee - H. Tirrell discussed putting together a committee to look at the automated speed ticketing devices and review and recommend policies, procedures and hopefully an ordinance. H. Tirrell has samples of other town's ordinances that must follow State Statutes regarding the ticketing devices. We could continue to work with Site Stream, who have done a few studies for Norfolk, or the committee could recommend another company.
- Tree Committee – H. Tirrell sees an interest for a committee to oversee policy, procedures and maintenance of Town trees, especially in high traffic areas. This process would involve the tree warden, Matt Klimkosky.
- Capital Plan Committee – This committee would meet a few times a year to look at Town assets including buildings, equipment, etc. and assess for future needs. The committee would include people from various locations, i.e. school, fire house, public works, sewer district providing input.
- NHCOC Grant Funding/CT Main Street Workshop – Developed to assist towns create a managed main street. One meeting was held in Norfolk. H. Tirrell reached out to the NHCOC, and their economic development staff will be reaching out to Norfolk again in an effort to get more people engaged.

Selectman's Report

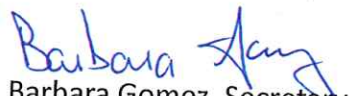
- Wall Project – There will be a meeting next week for updates. The plan is to cap the wall and have both lanes open by winter.

Selectman's Report (continued)

- Old Goshen Road and Smith Road Bridges are being combined into one bid which will go out next week and decided in October. The plan is to start Old Goshen Road bridge in April 2027 and move on to the Smith Road bridge in April 2028 using one contractor.
- Mountain Road Bridge – the project is paused but should resume and be completed by October.
- Mountain Road Bridge (beyond Westside Road) – We are getting proposals for preliminary engineering and will apply for a TRIP grant in the Spring. H. Tirrell will also be applying for a federal grant (Protect Grant) to cover the cost of the planning stages.
- Fire House – The truss raising was held on Saturday. A Town Meeting will be held tonight for the additional funding for the three-bay garage, funding for the firetruck and Wetland fee schedule change.
- Tobey Pond – will be closed after Labor Day.
- Botelle School – started last week with a few new staff members.
- Torrington Transfer Station – everything is going well.
- New Plow Trucks – both trucks are currently having the dump bodies and plows added.
- Old Colony Road – has been paved.
- Downtown Sidewalks – two sections have been replaced.
- Laurel Way Ext. – Public Works crew are replacing pipes and catch basins prior to paving.
- Maple Ave/Route 44 Sidewalk – H. Tirrell is waiting to connect with the State of CT DOD regarding the curbing and trees going up sidewalk.
- Transfer Station Cell Tower – updates being planned by leasing company.

MOTION S. Evans to adjourn at 5:00 p.m. Second L. Colwell. Carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,


Barbara Gomez, Secretary



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Things To Do

Friday 5 2024

1	6/5	23	
2	6/12	15	
3	6/19	6	III
4	6/26	12	
5	7/10	9	III IIII
6	7/17	4	
7	7/24	5	III
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