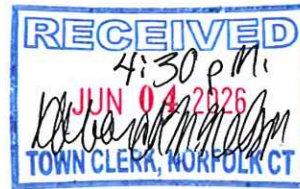


Workplace, Health & Safety Committee Meeting
Wednesday, June 3, 2026
1:00 PM Town Hall



Present: Henry Tirrell, Barbara Gomez, William Brodnitzki, Judith Ludwig, Tyler Yelsits and Paul Padua

Meeting called to order at 1:01 p.m. with Henry Tirrell as chairman.

Approval of Minutes: March 4, 2026

MOTION J. Ludwig to approve the minutes of the March 4, 2026 meeting as presented.
Second P. Padua. Carried unanimously.

Old Business

- H. Tirrell reported on the following:
 - o The bench at the Botelle School playground was repaired by West Lowe.
 - o Botelle School slide – The manufacturer will be replacing some pieces that are covered under warranty. The Public Works crew installed the landing zone area and regraded the ground. Hopefully this will be ready by the Summer.
 - o Wall Project – Part of the new wall was torn down due to expansion joints in the wrong location. Contrary to rumors it was not bad concrete. Tomorrow's progress meeting has been cancelled.
 - o Old Colony Road remains closed at the Route 44 end due to the wall project. It may get paved at the end of the Summer.
 - o The 4 speed feedback signs that the State provided were placed on Maple Avenue, Ashpohtag Road, Westside Road and Loon Meadow Drive. Discussion regarding pursuing permanent traffic cameras.
 - o Cell Service – Hopefully the service in South Norfolk will improve with the new tower going in. J. Ludwig reported several incidents where she was unable to call in accidents in South Norfolk. Discussion regarding the various locations in Norfolk with poor service. Matt Ludwig has been working on radio coverage with the State of CT.
 - o Maple Avenue egress/site lines on Route 44 – H. Tirrell spoke with the DOT in Canaan, and they will be looking into the removal of trees along Route 44. We are hoping to repair the sidewalk there as well.
 - o The retaining wall in front of the Town Hall building will be replaced this Summer.

New Business

- o Mountain Road – A sinkhole opened up past the Westside Road intersection. The Public Works crew covered the hole with three steel plates making it safe to travel over. Because this bridge is under six feet it does not meet the guidelines for the State Bridge Program. H. Tirrell will be looking for funding through various programs.
- o Old Goshen Road Bridge – State planning to repair between April – Nov 2027.

New Business (continued)

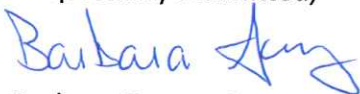
- Smith Road Bridge – State planning to repair between April – Nov 2028.
- Town Center Parking – B. Brodnitzki expressed concern about the large vehicles and traffic in the center of town and thought maybe a study can be done to improve the problem. Discussion held.
- P. Padua inquired about plans to repaint the crosswalks in the center of town. One in front of the Berkshire Store and the other near the Post Office.
- J. Ludwig expressed concern for those with mobility issues not being able to step up onto the curbs. There should be a few places where the curb is cut other than at the ends of the sidewalk.
- P. Padua reported that the chain link fence along the driveway into Meadowbrook is in disrepair and is unsafe.
- B. Brodnitzki reported that Meadowbrook put a series of parking places down the center of their lot and the one closest to Meadowbrook makes it difficult for the ambulance to back out when picking up a patient.

Any Worker's Compensation Injuries

- B. Gomez reported one minor injury to a public works employee while working at Tobey Pond. The employee was taken to the emergency room in Winsted by the Public Works Supervisor and missed one day of work.

MOTION B. Brodnitzki to adjourn at 1:25 p.m. Second P. Padua. Carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Barbara Gomez, Secretary