

JEFFERSON SELECT BOARD MEETING MINUTES

June 2, 2025

Present: Pamela Grotton, Robert Clark, Jr., and Claudia Orff-Reed

Meeting Called to Order: 5:07 pm

Meeting Minutes Approved: May 19, 2025 (3-0)

Handouts:

APPOINTMENTS:

- The Select Board signed the appointment papers for Leah Nook Frost, the newest member of the Library Committee.

ROAD COMMISSIONER:

- Glidden Bridge on Sommerville Road
 - The State DOT has posted the weight limit signs.
 - DOT has suggested finding out if Sommerville is going to upgrade their bridge – if they don't then Jefferson may not want to upgrade theirs either because if they do then all of the traffic will come over Jefferson's bridge.
- County Bridge on County Road/South Clary Road
 - The bridge is peeling away, and it has considerable sagging. Further discussion to take place.
- Hodgkins Hill Road
 - There is a large pothole that needs to be repaired.
 - Wayne drove by the pothole on his way home and called in to say there was no ditching along that section of road and the water was backing up and breaking down the pavement.
 - The Select Board gave permission to fix the problem.
- There weren't any additional road complaints.

FINALIZE POVERTY ABATEMENT:

- The Pam signed the letter of denial that was approved at the last Select Board meeting.

ROADSIDE MOWING:

- Lynne is to contact Gary Castner, who had the roadside mowing contract last year, to find out if he will continue to do the roadside mowing for the same price as last year.
- A motion was made to renew the contract with Gary Castner for another year if the contract price will remain the same – seconded (3-0)

SOLAR ORDINANCE:

- Lynne spoke with the Assessor and provided that both the rooftop and lawn solar panels are taxed and also that the residents can apply to the state for a rebate.

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER:

- Lynne spoke with Tom Durkee, who said that it was Donald that should write the letter notifying Matthew and Marlene Colvin of the fines that will begin accruing if the shed is not taken down and the work does not cease.
- Donald will write the letter, and Lynne will have the Kennebec County Sheriff's Office serve the letter.

MAINE POWEROPTIONS:

- A motion was made that the Town is all set with their electric and does not want to opt in on the Maine PowerOptions program - seconded. (3-0)

OFFICE RENOVATIONS:

- Discussion was had about the office renovations; there was some confusion on the location of the meeting room and Lynne's office location. Lynne walked the Select Board through the space and explained the logistics. The Select Board agreed, and the work will begin this week.

Approved the Town Expense Warrant in the amount of \$25,633.92.

The Select Board entered the Executive Session at 6:00 pm for personnel matters 1 M.R.S §405(6)(A).

The Select Board exited the Executive Session at 6:50 pm and no vote was taken.

The Select Board meeting adjourned at 6:50 pm.

Pamela J. Grotton
Claudia Orff-Reed
Robert Clark