STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE – TOWN OF SURRY

SELECTMEN

MEETING MINUTES JUNE 29, 2026

The meeting was called to order at 6:30P.M. Present were Jay Croteau, Steve Goldsmith and Ron Profaizer. Ron Profaizer motioned to move to a non public session for RSA 91-A -3-11A. for the purpose of employee discussion. Jay Croteau seconded the motion. Jay Croteau voted yes. Steve Goldsmith voted yes. Ron Profaizer voted yes. Unanimous vote to so move.

Ron Profaizer motioned to seal minutes of non public session. Steve Goldsmith seconded the motion. Ron Profaizer voted yes. Steve Goldsmith voted yes. Jay Croteau voted yes. Unanimous vote to so move.

Ron Profaizer motioned to terminate the non public meeting . Steve Goldsmith seconded the motion. Ron Profaizer voted yes. Steve Goldsmith voted yes. Jay Croteau voted yes. Unanimous vote to so move.

The regular meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.M. Present were Jay Croteau, Steve Goldsmith and Ron Profaizer.

Frank Lucuis spoke with the selectmen about the completion of the Farm Road gravel project. Presented invoice for completion of $56,150.00 for payment for next payment cycle.

Garret Walsh and Greg Patch spoke with the selectmen about the culvert the 12 – 15 inch culvert in question and suggested the removal of the mound in front of the culvert and redirection of ditch water to the other existing culverts would permit a best practice site for his septic system to be installed. The selectmen agreed to the request with the town to improve the ditch line including removal of debris in the ditch line for increased flow to the other two existing culverts. The selectmen will inspect the site .

Karyn Hagen requested to be included in the energy audit in the fall and requested an email confirmation for a date. Steve Goldsmith will include her in the schedule.

School Board member Tim Peloquin and Superintendent Kim Caron spoke with the selectmen about the upcoming increase to the school payment from the current $130,000 to the requested $225,000 until the tax rate is set in October 2026. They would like to improve the communication between the two boards and would like to meet regularly with the selectboard on the fourth meeting of the month. General discussion of state funding for education, flat rate special education costs from Keene, Charter School responsibilities, and the current education results. Kudos to Carol Lothrop for exceptional monitoring of student enrollment. The selectmen recommended the School Board attend the half year Budget Committee review.

Steve Goldsmith discussed the inspection of the bathroom renovation at the Charter School. Ther were some problems with the height of the sink area, bubbling in the floor area, and inspections but overall relatively well. The parking lot is scheduled to paved in August and would require a half down deposit. The selectboard will include the School Board on the Agenda at 8:00 P.M. on the fourth Monday meeting of the month.

The selectmen signed payroll.

The selectmen signed and paid bills. The Keene Monument bill was retained per Bruce Smith's request.

Ron Profaizer motioned to accept the minutes with a correction to a dollar amount missing a zero. Steve Goldsmith seconded the motion. The selectmen agreed with the correction.

The Budget Committee will work on setting a date around July 27, 2026.

The selectmen agreed to have Bruce Smith continue as the Flood Plan administer for Emergency Management for the Fema Flood Plane program and mapping.

State of New Hampshire in person workshop in Concord for Gravel Roads sponsored by UNH on July 15th in Claremont. Steve Goldsmith has agreed to attend and will invite Durwin Clark to join him. Ron Profaizer will respond to the invitation.

The selectmen will coordinate with the town clerk for the $25.00 forfeiture letter for the dog licensing.

Jay Croteau motioned to authorize the town clerk to send forfeiture letter. Steve Goldsmith seconded the motion. The selectmen agreed. Note to have selectboard review the draft.

E911 address for Cushing Cider Mill Road from Emergency Management is 39 Cider Mill Road.

Jay Croteau responded to Concentra email and reset password.

The camera on the London Road has been relocated to the Grey property . Ron Profaizer will contact Mr. Grey asking if the camera owner was given permission to place the camera there.

The Town of Surry receive PILT or $5967.00 from US Treasury.

Louise Gates emailed the selectmen about petitioning to have the trees removed from a neighbors yard that may affect her property. Ron Profaizer will send a reply stating the town has no authorization to work on it.

Dave Keurilian emailed the selectmen with information from his lawyer regarding the width of the Merriam Road. For next weeks agenda.

Judy Lundahl has volunteered to fill a vacancy on the Conservation Committee. For next week agenda.

Melissa Crotto Young has requested a townhall rental for the Surry Democrats for July 15, 2026. She will email the townhall rental agreement with more details.

The Townhall will be rented for the memorial service for Pete Bissell Thursday July 2, 2026 from 5-7.

Hot patch needed for Cider Mill Road. Added to Highway Department projects.

General discussion on 2026 town projects and anticipated 2027 town projects.

Completed hiring cleaning service for townhall and library.

Selectboad will research if box spreader has been ordered for the Highway Department.

Tree trimming schedule

Paving is being scheduled for the Old Walpole Road, townhall parking lot and apron on Lower Pond Rd for 2026.

Completion of motion detection light installation for townhall. Repair needed to handicap ramp and installation of lattice for town hall . Airconditioning for townhall first floor quoted but not installed. For next weeks agenda.

Developing paving for 2027 to include Wilber Road down to the turnaround. Completion of second gravel portion of Farm Road. First gravel portion completed on Farm Road.

Ron Profaizer responded to questions from Leslie Johnson.

Complete culvert review.

Increase the newsletter outreach.

Continue to work on town ordinances and policies for reference.

Update driveway permit policy changes. Increase turnaround time for all departments.

File purging in process.

Selectboard to improve input to Planning Board and review of Zoning ordinances . Improvement of communication between all boards.

In process development of prompt and consistent actions for zoning, ordinances and regulations.

Develop policy for town's investments.

Work on more input for tax rate setting for portal . Update login information.

Work on finding a new town auditor and work closely with them to improve the process..

Continue to work on Cemetery expansion.

Zane Whites excavation permit to Planning Board has not been submitted. Jay Croteau will draft a letter to Mr. White to contact the Planning Board.

Selectboard Planning Board Alternate for ex officio not appointed yet. Ron Profaizer will respond to Planning Board chair Eva Morel. Photos of Joslin Road forwarded to Jay Croteau.

Phone bill analysis in process. Ron Profaizer is working with Spectrum Business representative to explore options for town. He will try to set up a zoom call for a demonstration.

Ron Profaizer motioned to adjourn. Steve Goldsmith seconded the motion. The selectmen agreed to adjourn.

The meeting adjourned at 10:06 P.M.

Submitted J Lane