STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE – TOWN OF SURRY

SELECTMEN

MEETING MINUTES JULY 6, 2026

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. Present were Jay Croteau, Steve Goldsmith and Ron Profaizer.

Judy Lundahl spoke with the selectmen about joining the Conservation Committee as an appointee after speaking with John Davis. She gave a briefing on her concern for the Hemlock Wooly affecting hemlock trees in the area. She has been following the beetle and its spread through contact with the Harris Center. Jay Croteau motioned to appoint Judy Lundahl to the Conservation Committee. Steve Goldsmith seconded the motion. The selectmen agreed. Oath of Office left for Town Clerks.

Ron Profaizer sent Document Retention information to Town Clerks.

Plannning Board Chair Eva Morel spoke with the selectmen about help with the Tree Agents verbal comments during the deliberation sessions and recorded documentation of minutes. She has requested the official recording of the Tree Agents of the meetings to verify the grievances expressed. Ron Profaizer agreed the applicants comments had appeared to be provacative at times and amendments to the minutes should be done with caution and clarity. He will be absent for the next meeting and recommended the Planning Board seek legal counsel on the process.

Selectman Steve Goldsmith has accepted the position as Alternate for Ron Profaizer on the Planning Board during his absence.

General discussion with Ron Profaizer as ex officio living on Joslin for knowledge of local road. Additional comments on pursuit of extension with letter to the selectboard, correct timing of 65 days after July 24, 2026 meeting, submission of Tree Agent traffic study as incomplete and overall size of the project.

Jason Anyan spoke with Planning Board Chair about the five changes to amend on his gravel permit and the delay in a response from the Planning Board. He intends to start paving the townhall parking lot July 13, 14,and 15th 2026. Durwin Clark will coordinate with him about Pond Rd apron and Joslin Road mail turn off. He commented on the paving done by other companies and quality testing of asphalt. He mentioned he would like to put a building up in the gravel pit for his business.

The selectmen signed and paid bills.

The selectmen signed payroll.

The selectmen signed EFTPS payment.

The selectmen signed quarterlies.

Durwin Clark has already attended the gravel certification program offered . Steve Goldsmith will not attend as Building Inspector.

General discussion of school payment request by School Board.

Jay Croteau motioned to pay school district $200,000 monthly based on student enrollment and Keene tuition. Ron Profaizer seconded the motion. The selectmen agreed.

Steve Goldsmith motioned to accept the minutes as amended. Jay Croteau seconded the motion. The selectmen agreed.

The Conservation Committee will vote tomorrow night 7/7/2026 on the subject of Wayne Browns tree removal on the town forest. Mr. Brown has offered to donate $1000.00 plus the value of the other trees removed sold and donated to the Conservation Committee. Copy of Certificate of Insurance on file for Mike Edwards. Ron Profaizer commented the Conservation Committee is charged with authority for the town forest.

John Davis will attend NH Health Officers Association meeting on Nuisance ordinances RSA 147. The Town of Surry does not have any licensed junkyards.

School Board representative John Davis requested nominations and selectboard representative for school board.

Bruce Smith is coordinating budget meeting with committee members and will invite school board to participate. MS 27 Budget form.

Discussion of how school payment is figured by school board with Bruce Smith documenting the process from the school budget comparison from town meeting 2026, the number of current students tuition and special education costs. Information available on state portal.

Melinda Garland asked to borrow 20 folding chairs for a family event. Jay Croteau motioned the loaning of town property is not permitted for private functions. Ron Profaizer seconded the motion. The selectmen agreed.

Steve Goldsmith recommended Melinda Garland call him directly for building inspection.

Application for Conservation committee to use townhall July 7, 2026 at 7:30 P.M signed by selectmen.

Give Peace a Tri triathlon scheduled for July 18, 2026.

Primex Property liability has not been posted to portal yet.

NE Power utility information to Avitar.

David Keurilien has requested to be added to the agenda for next week.

John Davis confirmed there were three extension phones at the Fire Station.

Public works new assignments include tree removal on Joslin Road, culverts on Joslin Road, and culverts on Pond Rd. Repair of Cider Mill

Document Retention reviewed by town clerk. Copy to be signed by selectmen.

Steve Goldsmith responded to email about state building code.

The selectmen are coordinating efforts with the town clerk fora warrant for civil forfeiture letter for dogs. A list of dog owners has been updated and the selectmen have reviewed the supplied literature and RSA's. The selectmen will need to signed the warrant and have requested a copy of the letter.

The Planning board has not received any communication with Zane White.

Jay Croteau motioned to appoint Steve Goldsmith as ex officio to the Planning Board as selectboard alternate for Ron Profaizer. Ron Profaizer seconded the motion. The selectmen agreed.

Spectrum Demo July 7th at 4:30 – 5:30 for new telephone system.

Ron Profaizer responded to Gary Grey about the town auditor position opening. After discussion, the selectboard will contact Nancy Callender to see if she would still be interested in the position.

The selectmen confirmed rental of townhall to Democrats for July 16, 2026.

Notification of special less noise rumble strips on NH12 per NH Dot.

The selectboard will review E. Rogers email of Merrian Road layout for D Keurulainen for next week.

Steve Goldsmith will attend building code seminar at Keene Public Library.

Steve Goldsmith will get an updated quote for townhall air conditioning.

Carol Lothrop emailed the selectmen about accepting a private donation to the Conservation Committee for a qualified nose dog for finding endangered turtles. The selectmen affirmed they can raise private funds for hiring a tracking dog. Jay Croteau will respond to her email about accepting unanticipated funds.

Ron Profaizer motioned to enter a nonpublic meeting per RSA 91-a-3-11A for the purpose of employee discussion. Jay Croteau seconded the motion. The selectmen agreed. The non public meeting opened at 10:10 P.M.

Jay Croteau motioned to seal the minutes. Ron Profaizer seconded the motion. The selectmen agreed and the minutes were sealed.

Jay Croteau motioned to come out of the non public session. Ron Profaizer seconded the motion. The selectmen agreed. The non public session ended at 10:30 P.M.

The selectmen will contact Judy Lundal regarding her appointment.

Jay Croteau motioned to adjourn. Ron Profaizer seconded the motion. The selectmen agreed to adjourn.

The meeting adjourned at 10:37 P.M.

Submitted J Lane