

**TOWN OF WILTON**  
**July 15, 2025**  
**SELECTBOARD MINUTES**

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Members Present: David Leavitt, Tiffany Maiuri, Keith Swett, Nancy Allen, Phil Hilton, Maria Greeley (Town Manager).

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**Item # 1- Pledge of Allegiance**

**Item #2- Minutes from June 17, 2025, Select Board Meeting**

Tabled until the next meeting.

**Item #3- Public to speak on non-agenda items.**

No public comments were made.

**Item #4- Department Head Updates: John Masse- Public Works Foreman**

The highway department has completed the ditching and culvert work on Thomas St and Back St. They have completed part of Temple Rd. They have been short-handed with staff. They are working on Magrath Rd- the furthest section. The catch basins are half done. They are using the GIS system to take GPS locations and pictures which will enable them to catch an issue before it's an issue.

Colby Miller Rd- they are focusing more money to remove ledge and replace the road as they go along. They will get rid of the steep grade. There is credit that can be used from the water line project towards this. The crew may need to close the road to traffic at night as needed. The project should be completed around August. There are no driveways to worry about leveling the grade. There will be a better line of sight.

Motion by Tiffany/ Second by Nancy – To close Colby Miller Rd to through traffic at night if needed while removing ledge and replacing road.

Vote: 5-0 unanimous

John stated that they need to replace the 2012 dump truck (single axle, 26000+) which is part of the replacement plan that is already in place. John would like to compare prices for single axle and tandem axle.

Motion by Tiffany/ Second by Phil- To approve an RFP to allow John to gather bids to replace the 2012 truck, single and tandem axle bids.

Vote: 5-0 unanimous

A 2017 TerraStar truck will be put out to bid. The 2017 has been replaced with the 600 and the dealership didn't want to take trade for the 2017 truck.

New garage doors and openers have been completed at the garage. The trim and weatherstripping has been replaced.

The transfer station is running smoothly. The cemeteries are running well. A new seasonal hire started yesterday.

Tiffany mentioned that she's heard citizens comment that the transfer station staff is helpful. The highway department did a great job clearing culverts after a deluge of rain events.

John shared that as part of the 319 grant, they are replacing stone going uphill on Fenderson Hill as they are working on ditches. The power is underground, so Dig Safe will be called first, then John would like CMP to be on site to help minimize damage to wires as the Highway Department is working on the ditches.

#### **Item #5- Blueberry Festival Planning Update: Renee Woodard- Events Coordinator**

There will be no 10K or 5K this year due to road construction, but there will still be a 1-mile race. There is no car show due to the lack of volunteers. Everything else is pretty much the same. Tiffany asked if there were still the same number of vendors. Renee said there is approximately the same amount. The parade needs a few Selectboard members to judge. There is a need for festival judge volunteers for the bake off on Saturday. There will be blueberries from the Wilton Blueberry Farm available until they are sold out. The mascot will be at the festival. Tyngtown is having a pie sale; orders need to be in by July 26, 2025. Pamphlets for the festival will be out the week before the event hopefully.

#### **Item #6- Request for the purchase of snowplow for the Water Department**

The last CY budget had an appropriation for a new truck which has been purchased. After the purchase of the new truck in last year's budget, there was a balance that rolled into their unrestricted fund balance. There are 3 quotes from different dealerships for pricing of a snowplow for the water department. The quotes were provided at the meeting (see attached).

Motion by Tiffany/ Second by Keith – To purchase the truck from Allegiance Trucks for a price of \$7269.68.

Vote: 5-0 unanimous

#### **Item #7- Request for Extension of License Privileges for an On- Premises Establishment- Ambition Brewing, LLC**

Motion by Keith/ Second by Phil- To approve the extension of license privileges for an on-premises establishment- Ambition Brewing, LLC.

Vote: 5-0 unanimous

#### **Item #8- Request for Extension of License Privileges for an On-Premises Establishment- 280 Main Street, The Square**

David mentioned that the tent they want to put up is 30x50 in an area of 40 feet. The tent should be parallel to Main Street. It is not more area this year compared to last year, but last year it was roped off and there wasn't a tent set up. The Lion's Club will still be able to set up where they have been in the past.

There was some discussion about not blocking the fire lane and ensuring that there was access for emergency vehicles if needed.

Motion by Keith/ 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tiffany- To approve the request for extension of license privileges for an on-premises establishment- 280 Main Street, The Square as pictured in the application with the tent's 50 foot side parallel to Main Street.

Vote: 5-0 unanimous

**Item #9- Request for Extension of License Privileges for an On- Premises Establishment- Saltmarsh Farms, LLC**

Motion by Tiffany/ 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil- To approve the request for extension of license privileges for an on-premises establishment- - Saltmarsh Farms, LLC

Vote: 5-0 unanimous

**Item #10- Approval of ATV Access Grant- State of Maine**

The ATV Grant was approved through the state of Maine. The approval is for the project cost of \$22,000 and is reimbursed not to exceed \$19,800.

Motion by Keith/ 2<sup>nd</sup> by Nancy- To approve the acceptance of the grant.

Vote: 5-0 unanimous

The work needs to be completed before November 30, 2025. The project will include work on the Munson Rd. There will be groundwork and trails excavated through the bank giving access to the Whistle Stop Trail. There will be parking for trucks and trailers and an unloading area.

Motion by Phil/ 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tiffany- To approve an RFP for the ATV trail project grant work.

Vote: 5-0 unanimous

**Item #11- Franklin Solid Waste Interlocal Cooperation Agreement- 2025-2026**

This item was tabled until the next meeting.

**Item #12- Franklin County U.T. Mutual Aid Agreement for Fire Protection- 2025-2026**

Sonny prepared last year's numbers and this year's numbers, and he believes we are still within the same range as last year's numbers.

Motion by Keith/ 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tiffany- To accept the Franklin County U.T. Mutual Aid Agreement for Fire Protection- 2025-2026.

Vote: 5-0 unanimous

**Item # 13- Sewer Department Interest Rate**

Motion by Keith/ 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tiffany- To approve 7.5% as approved at Town Meeting, warrant article 67. The Sewer Department follows the town's interest rate.

Vote: 5-0 unanimous

**Item #14- Upcoming Meetings: Selectboard Meeting- August 5, 2025- 6:00 PM**

Yes, that's the correct date.

**Item #15- Other**

There were no other items discussed.

**Item #16- Manager's Report**

Maria welcomed the new Town Clerk, Tonnie Condon.

Jefferey Reed, from Sevee & Maher, is just about done with his permit proposal. He is just waiting for the landscape architect for his final pricing, and then Jefferey will submit it to the board.

Maria mentioned that the town is struggling to fill the water/sewer superintendent's open position. Not getting candidates, but the position is still being advertised. The water and sewer department staff are doing a great job, but they are overworked. There was some discussion about the fact that some towns don't have a joined water and wastewater department, but Wilton does and that could contribute to the lack of candidates.

The 365 Migration is all but complete, except for a couple of minor things. Thank you to Phil and Expenet.

Motion by Keith/ 2<sup>nd</sup> by Nancy to approve an RFP for the new windows and siding for the Town Office. The money has been budgeted for years.

Vote: 5-0 unanimous

**Item #17- Executive Session pursuant to Title 36 § 841(2)(E) M.R.S.A.- Poverty Abatement**

Motion by Keith/ 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tiffany- To enter Executive Session pursuant to Title 36 § 841 (2) (E) M.R.S.A.- Poverty Abatement

In at 6:48 PM, out at 7:05 PM

Motion by Tiffany/ 2<sup>nd</sup> by Nancy- To deny the poverty abatement and to send a clear letter that explains the ability to re-apply and come in front of the Select Board.

Vote: 4-1

**Item #18- Action following Executive Session, if applicable.**

No action needed.

**Item #19- Adjourn**

Motion by Tiffany/ 2<sup>nd</sup> by Keith- To adjourn the meeting.

Vote: 5-0 unanimous, 7:07 PM