TOWN OF ACWORTH, NEW HAMPSHIRE

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Approved Minutes for Business Meeting of July 20, 2026

Town Hall, 13 Town Hall Rd, Acworth, NH 03601

SELECT BOARD PRESENT: Kathi Bradt; Ryanne Schoonover; Katy Haas

STAFF PRESENT: Charlotte Comeau, Town Administrator

OTHERS PRESENT: Diane Bildstein; Glenn Elsesser; Mark Goodwin; John Mattson; Steve & Lori Murray; Catherine Peschke

CALL TO ORDER: Kathi called the meeting to order at 6:30.

MINUTES: On a motion by Ryanne, seconded by Katy; Kathi asked that under ConCom report to insert "due to grant funding" ***the Board voted to approve. Passed.***

BILL MANIFEST: On a motion by Ryanne, seconded by Katy; ***the Board voted to approve and sign. Passed.***

PAYROLL MANIFEST: On a motion by Ryanne, seconded by Katy; ***the Board voted to approve and sign. Passed.***

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT:

- Paving CPR is complete and the Board has heard a lot of positive feedback. The contractor was also able to do in front of the library within the budget.

PLANNING BOARD: None

CONSERVATION COMMISSION: Kathi. Will be postponing some of the easement monitoring until the fall when it is easier to get out on the ground. The pollinator garden is blooming, and they are working on signage. Keyes Hollow assessment is moving forward. DES is looking for volunteers from Acworth to be on a "Local Advisory Committee" for the Cold River. There will be more info in the newsletter. The survey for town owned land at Crescent Lake is nearing completion and there is one property owner whose leach field is on town land so ConCom will be approaching the PB for a lot line adjustment.

PUBLIC: Steve asked about the ZBA meetings and how they will know when they meet. Kathi pointed out that these are hearings and not meetings and there wouldn't be an agenda that they would be meeting on a specific item. Charlotte will post on website. Steve also stated there were no ZBA minutes on the website.

Catherine Peschke introduced herself, stating she is running for State Rep in our district.

ACTION ITEMS:

Letter to a resident on Sam Putnam Rd: Charlotte informed the board there have been complaints regarding an individual that is hostile towards people walking or driving down SPR. The letter informs them that this is a Class V public road and as such the public has access to it. On a motion by Ryanne, seconded by Katy; ***the Board voted to approve and sign. Passed.***

PA-16***:*** On a motion by Ryanne, seconded by Katy; ***the Board voted to approve and sign. Passed.***

DISCUSSION:

Refund or credit for Primex surplus: Charlotte said that credit towards next year's invoices would be the best. Consensus from the board was for Charlotte to decide what the best way would be for bookkeeping purposes.

Beehives: Kathi said that in the recent correspondence, the Historical Society has expressed an interest in this project and is on their agenda for August 10th. Kathi will report back after the meeting.

Next meeting: The next meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, August 4th.

Katy asked whether Acworth has a resource library for things like walkers and canes and mobility devices that may be able to help for those that are aging in place. Kathi thought that the Fall Mountain Food Shelf may have these types of things.

On a motion by Ryanne and seconded by Kathi; ***the Board voted to adjourn at 7:02 p.m. Passed.***

Respectfully submitted, Charlotte Comeau, Town Administrator