

TOWN OF ACWORTH, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Selectmen
Approved Minutes for Business Meeting of December 15, 2025 at 6:30 p.m.
Town Hall, 13 Town Hall Rd, Acworth, NH 03601

SELECT BOARD PRESENT: Kathi Bradt; Jim Jennison; Ryanne Schoonover

STAFF PRESENT: Charlotte Comeau, Town Administrator; Collin Crosby, Road Agent

OTHERS PRESENT: Glenn Elsesser; Steve Murray

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

MINUTES OF 12/1/25: On a motion by Jim, seconded by Ryanne; **the Board voted to approve. Passed.**

BILL MANIFEST: On a motion by Ryanne, seconded by Jim; **The Board voted to approve and sign with the two additions. Passed.**

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

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT:

- Work report/work plan (current work completed but not limited to):
 - Worked on trucks and equipment
 - Plowed, sanded and winged back roads
 - Washed and cleaned trucks and equipment
 - FEMA meetings
 - Core samples will be taken on Forest Rd next week before we can get a contract to grind the road. Once we know the cost, the funds in the budget for 2025 will be encumbered.
 - Thayer Brook is quoted at 246,740 not including the cost of guardrails or wetland permits.
 - Working with Cold River Bridges for a quote for Grout Hill Bridge so we know how much to encumber.

PLANNING BOARD UPDATE: None

CONSERVATION COMMISION UPDATE: Was rescheduled to 12/17/25.

PUBLIC: Ryanne mentioned that the State Board of Education approved Langdon and Walpole withdrawing from the FMRS and will be on the ballot in March. If the voters in the district approve this will significantly increase property taxes for Acworth.

ACTION ITEMS:

- Building permit: Bassinne M238 L1. There was discussion that this was within the conservation zone and would need to be referred to ZBA as a special exception. In addition, there was a remark that this may need a shoreland permit. On a motion by Kathi, seconded by Ryanne; the Board voted to deny due to not having a shoreland permit.
- Intent to cut: Hinman M234 L21. On a motion by Ryanne, seconded by Jim; **the Board voted to approve and sign. Passed.**
- PB Appointment-F Emig: On a motion by Ryanne, seconded by Kathi; **the Board voted to approve and sign with Jim opposing. Passed.**
- 2026 Sanders Searches contract agreement: On a motion by Jim, seconded by Ryanne; **the Board voted to approve and sign. Passed.**
- 2026 MRI Service agreement: On a motion by Jim, seconded by Ryanne; **the Board voted to approve and sign. Passed.**
- DRA assessment data certificate: On a motion by Ryanne, seconded by Jim; **the Board voted to approve and sign. Passed.**
- Letter of support for UVLSRPC USDA solid waste grant: On a motion by Jim, seconded by Ryanne; **the Board voted to approve and sign. Passed.**
- Encumber \$3,000 cemetery funds for 2026 tree work: On a motion by Ryanne, seconded by Jim; **the Board voted to approve. Passed.**
- Encumber \$98,791 CBR engineering contract: On a motion by Jim, seconded by Ryanne; **the Board voted to approve. Passed.**

DISCUSSION:

- Review Budget and WA: There was discussion regarding the budget and WA. We are still waiting for some more numbers which we should have by the next meeting so we can finalize and present to the Budget Committee.

On a motion by Ryanne and seconded by Jim; ***the Board voted to adjourn at 7:51 p.m. Passed.***

Respectfully submitted,
Charlotte Comeau
Town Administrator