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BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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Board of Selectmen

MEETING MINUTES –July 21, 2026

Pursuant to a notice duly filed with the Town Clerk, a meeting of the Board of Selectmen was held in person at 191 Church Street (Cheshire Community House) on Tuesday July 21, 2026, at 6:30 p.m.

Board of Selectmen Present: Michelle Francesconi, Chair
Shawn McGrath, Vice Chair
Ron DeAngelis, Member
Ray Killeen, Member
Scott McWhirt, Member

Others Present: Jennifer Morse, Town Administrator; Corey McGrath, DPW Director; Erin Paris, Administrative Assistant; Steven Burgoon, Northern Berkshire Television; Sabrina Damms, iBerkshires; Lynn Melchiori; Bob Tetlow; Peter Traub

Consent Agenda

- Minutes - June 23, July 7
- Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrants

A motion was made by M. Francesconi and seconded by R. Killeen to accept the consent agenda with one edit to June 23, 2026 minutes.
Roll Call Vote: S. McWhirt- Yes; R. DeAngelis – Yes; S. McGrath – Yes; M. Francesconi – Yes Ray Killeen-Yes
Motion Carries: 5-0

Board of Selectman Discussion /Decision Items

- **Youth Center Lease**- M. Francesconi stated that the Youth Center has communicated that they should have appraisal information back the second week in August. The Town Administrator has a meeting in the morning with an appraisal company. M. Francesconi stated that this item would not be on the next agenda unless further updates are able to be provided.

- **Fred Mason Road -Paving Project -** The DPW Director shared that Fred Mason Road is almost complete the final coat will be put down as the road projects come to completion, the sides will be filled in with millings and aprons will be fixed. The other roads being resurfaced include Church Street, Main Street, Flaherty Road and Reservoir Road.

- **Transfer Station Temporary Position. -** The Town Administrator shared that one of the attendants is on medical leave with an undetermined return date. She asked a Temporary Position to be posted.

A motion was made by S. McGrath and seconded by R. Killeen to allow posting and hiring of a Part-Time Temporary Transfer Station Attendant.
Roll Call Vote: S. McWhirt- Yes; R. DeAngelis – Yes; S. McGrath – Yes; M. Francesconi – Yes Ray Killeen-Yes
Motion Carries: 5-0

- **FY26 Line-Item Transfers -** The Town Administrator shared that the last FY26 warrant was within the consent agenda and will be posted in the coming days. Line Items Transfers will be added to the next agenda.

Town Administrator Updates

- **Police Chief Search Update & Next Steps**. The Town Administrator shared the community survey is available until July 27, 2026, and is available online, paper copies are also available at Town Offices. M. Francesconi asked that iBerkshires share the information. The survey responses will be compiled and provided to the Board of Selectmen and the consulting firm. The final candidates assessments will take place on Monday August 3, 2026.

- **Community House Old Section Feasibility Study.** Tabled to the next meeting.

- **Cheshire Rod and Gun Club -** The Town Administrator shared that a request was received for a one-day liquor license for August 1, 2026 from the Cheshire Rod and Gun Club.

A motion was made by R. Killeen and seconded by R. DeAngelis to allow one day liquor license.
Roll Call Vote: S. McWhirt- Yes; R. DeAngelis – Yes; S. McGrath – Abstain; M. Francesconi – Yes Ray Killeen-Yes
Motion Carries: 5-0

Public Comment – Bob Tetlow inquired about the revenue from the meals tax, the Town Administrator shared that revenue is being received however the DOR will not provide specific taxpayer information. She shared that a list of all food establishments has been provided to the DOR and they have indicated that as of October 1 the business is responsible for the tax due. M. Francesconi said that the conversation was not on the agenda and any further discussion would have to be placed on a future agenda.

Events and Upcoming Agenda Items

- Fire Department Cruz Nite- August 8, 2026, 4:00-9:00 with Car Show, Food Vendors, Music, Raffles, and Activities.

Adjournment
A motion was made by M. Francesconi and seconded by S. McGrath to adjourn the meeting at 6:40 p.m.

Roll Call Vote: S. McWhirt- Yes; R. DeAngelis – Yes; S. McGrath – Yes; M. Francesconi – Yes Ray Killeen-Yes
Motion Carries: 5-0

Respecfully Submitted;
Erin Paris
Administrative Assistant
July 23, 2026

Document List

1. Agenda – July 21, 2026
2. Minutes - June 23, 2026
3. Minutes - July 7, 2026
4. Transfer Station Attendant Job Description

Approved: August 4, 2026