

Town of Whitefield
Select Board Meeting Minutes
February 24, 2026

Present: Seth Bolduc (Chair), Brent Hallowell (Vice-Chair), Erin Anderson, James Torbert (arriving late), Brian O'Mahoney, and Yolanda Violette.

1. Mr. Bolduc called the meeting to order.
2. Motion and second to approve and sign the minutes of February 10 carried 4-0.
3. Approve and sign the Accounts Payable/Payroll Warrants.
4. Community Resilience Partnership Community Action Grant – The Town has been awarded the grant for \$34,822.08. The grant is to pay for projects including solar expansion, heat pumps in the Central Fire Station, developing a plan for a warming/cooling station, and fire department training for electric vehicles and battery banks. Motion and second to accept the grant award carried 5-0.
5. Planning Board applications review – The Planning Board has created three applications in accordance with town ordinances. The applications include a Land Use Regulation Waiver, a Subdivision Amendment Application and a Change of Use Application. Motion and second to adopt the applications carried 5-0.
6. Kings Mills Union Hall – Jennifer Grady, as President of the Kings Mills Union Hall Association, spoke about a grant opportunity that the Association would like to pursue. To pursue the grant opportunity, the Association would need a letter of recommendation from the Select Board no later than March 20. Mr. O'Mahoney will draft a letter for consideration at the next meeting of the Select Board.
7. 2024 RE Taxes Foreclosures – One account was foreclosed upon on February 13. Motion and second to sign an intent to sell carried 5-0.
8. Recycling Bottle Collection – The Coopers Mills Volunteer Fire Department is no longer picking up bottles at the recycling center. The Whitefield Library will be approached to gauge any interest they may have in taking over the bi-weekly collection. Kings Mills Fire Department Association will continue collecting on the alternate week.
9. Lincoln County Budget – The town's portion of the Lincoln County budget is \$416,785. Motion and second to sign the Lincoln County budget return.
10. Coopers Mills Cemetery Trust Revision – The Town is preparing a petition to alter the terms of the Trust to allow the money to be used on ancient burial grounds within the Town of Whitefield. The Trust currently has more money coming in than is being expended due to the restriction of only being used on the Coopers Mills Cemetery, and thus does not want to alter the allocation of money but only the restrictions on where the money can be used.

11. Certificate of Occupancy – The Building and Development Ordinance amendments, if adopted at the Town Meeting, will codify, in the Town's ordinance, the state mandated requirement for towns with a population over 2,000 to issue Certificates of Occupancy. To facilitate this change, an application was created and discussed with Arthur Strout, the Code Enforcement Officer. Discussion on fees will be tabled for a later meeting. Motion and second to adopt the Certificate of Occupancy Application pending the passage of the Building and Development Ordinance amendments carried 5-0.
12. Carole Cifrino no longer wishes to represent the Town on the Lincoln County Regional Planning Commission. Mr. O'Mahoney expressed interest in the position.
13. The State of Maine is exploring the idea of creating a stewardship program for lithium-ion batteries.
14. Work is continuing on the boiler at the Central Fire Station. Half of the station was being heated with repairs expected to be completed on Wednesday.
15. Joshua Thomas announced that he was seeking election to the open Planning Board seat as a write-in candidate.
16. Road Commissioner Dylan Peaslee will be asked to attend the April 7 meeting to discuss annual rates.
17. Motion and second to adjourn carried 5-0.



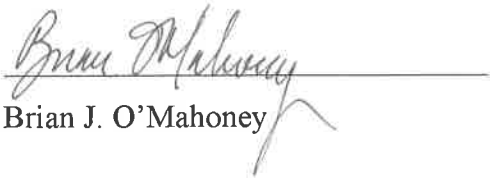
Seth A. Bolduc

10 March 2026

Date

Brent W. Hallowell

James R. Torbert



Brian J. O'Mahoney



Erin E. Anderson