

Town of Whitefield
Select Board Meeting Minutes
August 12, 2025

Present: Seth Bolduc (Chair), James Torbert, Brian O'Mahoney, and Yolanda Violette

Absent: Brent Hallowell (Vice-Chair), Erin Anderson

1. Mr. Bolduc called the meeting to order.
2. Motion and second to approve and sign the minutes of July 29. Motion carries 3-0.
3. Approve and Sign Accounts Payable/Payroll Warrants
4. Rob Duplisea of RJD Assessing attended to discuss with the Board.
 - a. Mr. Duplisea investigated CMP's declared values and calculated a new, increased valuation based on updated methods. Mr. Duplisea warned of expected changes in the value of laydown material as the new line is built.
 - b. The Lincoln County Commissioners denied the Hillstrom's abatement rejection appeal, siding with the Town of Whitefield.
5. At 6:17, Mr. Bolduc opened the public hearing for Supreme Core Recycling's Junkyard Permit Application. Levon Mickeriz represented Supreme Core Recycling to answer questions regarding their application. Mr. Mickeriz reports that a representative of the Maine Department of Environmental Protection will inspect the property the following week. Scrap and vehicle parts will be purchased from other junkyards and the public, though whole vehicles will not be purchased and sold at this time due to an agreement with the prior owner. Following the public hearing, the Board decided to wait for the DEP's site evaluation before proceeding with the junkyard application.
6. Motion and second to amend the July 29 meeting minutes to reflect a name correction: Levon Mickeriz attended that meeting, on behalf of Supreme Core Recycling, not Jeremy Viel. Motion carries 3-0.
7. Bids for roadside brush clearing - The Roads Committee recommended Nathan Northrup's bid. Motion and second to accept the bid from Nathan Northrup Forest Products and Earthwork of Jefferson for \$27,700. Motion carries 3-0.
8. 2023 Tax Foreclosures
 - a. The Michael Fairservice account has been paid in full. A quitclaim deed will be prepared pending clearance of the check.
 - b. No progress on the Harold Lilly account.
9. Payment arrangement account: Juanita Peaslee has come in and made a payment towards her taxes, last payment was in February. Currently owes 2024 and 2025 taxes.

10. Quitclaim Deeds. Both Robert Brann's account and Storm & Paul Peaslee's account are paid in full.
Motion and second to issue quitclaim deeds for the Robert Brann and Storm & Paul Peaslee accounts.
Motion carries 3-0. Deeds are signed by the Board.
11. Motion and second to enter executive session pursuant to Title 1 M.R.S. §405(6)(C). Motion carries 3-0.
Executive session begins at 6:39. Executive session adjourned at 6:54.
Motion and second to list the Harold Lilly property for \$67,400. Motion carries 3-0.
12. Tax Collector report - 2025 liens will be delivered to the Lincoln County Registry of Deeds on Friday, August 15th to be filed Monday August 18. There are 53 delinquent tax accounts as of this meeting, including 21 that owe for the year 2024 and one remaining account that owes for 2023.
13. Mr. Hallowell reports that paving will resume the week of August 18. The CD account for the roads budget was renewed for an additional month.
14. Correspondence
 - a. Letter from MMA, voting is open for positions on the Maine Municipal Association Executive Committee, ballot was included, due by August 29, the Board declined the opportunity.
 - b. Letters of thanks were received from Spectrum Generations and New Hope Midcoast.
 - c. CMP inquired about the town taking over a streetlight on the property of St. Denis Church. The town is not interested, considering a town streetlight already exists at the intersection of Cooper Road and Grand Army Road.
15. In response to increased use of the public water access at the Central Fire Station, signs were put up to discourage inappropriate use of the public water access, asking residents to limit to 15 gallons per day until further notice. This is due to the drought conditions we are currently experiencing.
16. The Fire department's communications vehicle was removed from the town's insurance.
17. A letter was received from Mary Morgan of the Whitefield Planning Board.
18. Mr. Bolduc reports on his conversation with MMA insurance regarding the volunteer use of Whitefield EMS equipment outside of town. It is determined that such use of the equipment would expose the town to liability and create a potential misappropriation, therefore it is not recommended.
19. Mr. Bolduc will sign the Motor Vehicle warrant next week in Mr. Torbert's absence.
20. Motion and second to enter executive session pursuant to Title 1 M.R.S. §405(6)(A). Motion carries 3-0.
Executive session begins at 7:19. Executive session adjourned at 7:50.
21. Motion and second to adjourn. Motion carries 3-0.

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26 Aug 2025

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