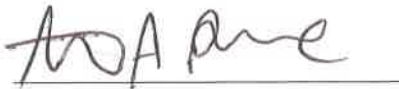


Town of Whitefield
Select Board Meeting Minutes
April 7, 2026

Present: Seth Bolduc (Chair), Brent Hallowell (Vice-Chair), José Ambriz, Erin Anderson, Brian O'Mahoney, and Yolanda Violette.

1. Mr. Bolduc called the meeting to order.
2. Motion and second to approve the March 24 meeting minutes carried 5-0.
3. Approved and signed the Accounts Payable/Payroll Warrants.
4. 2026 Lincoln County Hazard Mitigation Plan – Emily Huber, Emergency Management Agency Director for Lincoln County, introduced the new plan, which is updated every 5 years. Lincoln County prepares a Hazard Mitigation Plan that towns can adopt to access additional grant funds. The Emergency Management Agency has a local directors meeting on the 3rd Thursday of the month at various locations. Motion and second to adopt the Lincoln County Hazard Mitigation Plan carried 5-0. Board signed the Resolution.
5. Road Commissioner – The Road Commissioner, Dylan Peaslee, will be reappointed for a 6-month term to coincide with the Board's timeline for performance reviews. In September, when a performance review is done, the Road Commissioner will be appointed for a standard 3-year term. The Road Commissioner's stipend and rates were increased in line with a discussion with Mr. Peaslee at a previous meeting. The stipend was proposed to increase from \$1,000 to \$1,200 and the hourly labor rate for work as a town employee was increased from \$33 to \$36. The hourly rate for work as an independent contractor increased from \$40 to \$45. Hourly equipment rates also increased while the fuel clause was set for \$6.00 per gallon at Maritime, aka-Peaslee's Quick Stop. Motion and second to reappoint Dylan Peaslee as Road Commissioner until September 2026 carried 5-0. Motion and second to accept the updated rates carried 5-0.
6. Joshua Thomas – Mr. Thomas offered his services to the Town to create and maintain a GIS database at no charge. When asked about the cost of entry for the GIS software, Mr. Thomas guessed in the \$8,000 to \$12,000 range. Mr. Thomas will attempt to provide some resources for the Board to help them understand what could be accomplished with GIS.
7. CDAR – The total amount reinvested was \$256,916.75 plus an additional \$100,000.
8. Election Clerks – Election Clerks must be appointed by the Select Board every two years of the even years. Clerks must be balanced by party and, according to the Town Clerk, unenrolled voters may be used when one from the major parties is not available. The Town Clerk submitted a list of nominations. Motion and second to appoint the nominated voters as Election Clerks carried 5-0.

9. Board of Appeals – Two terms had expired and the members agreed to be reappointed to the Board of Appeals. Motion and second to reappoint Kristin Mason and Matthew Gomes to the Board of Appeals, both for 3-year terms carried 5-0.
10. Local Health Officer – Motion and second to reappoint Julie Cowles as Health Officer for a 3-year term carried 5-0.
11. Purchasing Policy – Verbiage regarding the change from an elected to an appointed Road Commissioner needs to be updated. After discussion, no further changes were proposed to the policy.
12. Mr. Ambriz spoke to a resident about a potential Junkyard Ordinance violation.
13. Boston Post Cane – Donald Gould, the previous holder, passed away. The Boston Post Cane is bestowed upon the oldest resident in the Town of Whitefield. Elizabeth Harmon, of the Whitefield Historical Society, will reach out to a prospective recipient.
14. Mr. O'Mahoney spoke to a reporter about animal control.
15. Sand around the sand shed needs to be cleaned up by the plowing contractor. Yolanda will reach out to Ryan.
16. Trees need to be removed on Hunts Meadow Road. The Road Commissioner would be able to remove the downed trees once a contractor cuts them. Brent will follow up with Dylan for estimates.
17. Alna has hired an out of state beaver expert who is willing to consult with the Town of Whitefield regarding their own issues with beavers on Hollywood Boulevard.
18. New members are needed on the Roads Committee. Brent will provide a writeup for Yolanda to post on the website.
19. The 2024 tax year has been cleared after the final account was paid in full. The QC Deed will be provided at the next meeting to sign.
20. Motion and second to adjourn carried 5-0.



Seth A. Bolduc, Chair

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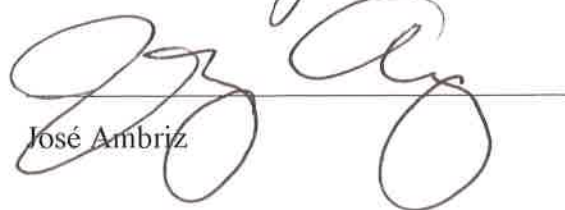
Brent W. Hollowell, Vice-Chair



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