

Town of Whitefield
Select Board Meeting Minutes
April 21, 2026

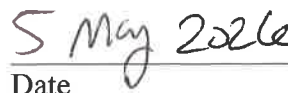
Present: Seth Bolduc (Chair), Brent Hallowell (Vice-Chair), José Ambriz, Erin Anderson, Brian O'Mahoney, and Yolanda Violette.

1. Mr. Bolduc called the meeting to order.
2. Motion and second to approve the April 7 meeting minutes carried 5-0.
3. Approved and signed the Accounts Payable/Payroll Warrants.
4. Olsen Property/Trails – Barry Tibbetts and the Lions Club are planning to plant trees on the Olsen Property for Earth Day. Mr. Tibbetts is requesting funds for a sign to be erected at the entrance to the Olsen Property. David Wright shared his two-phase plan for an accessible trail on the Wiscasset, Waterville and Farmington (WW&F) Railway Museum's property, for which the Town has secured an easement. Phase one is to make it accessible for seniors and people with stability challenges by flattening and smoothing out the walking surface and installing at least one culvert. Phase two is bringing into compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Mr. Wright also raised the issue of the Trails Committee being an informal group of volunteers rather than an officially sanctioned town committee. Finally, Mr. Wright suggested grants were available for the ADA accessible trail with matching Town contributions. No decisions will be made on potential grants or matching contributions at this time. Mr. Wright will reach out to the WW&F Railway Museum about sharing the costs of the culvert(s) as they would be protecting the railbed from erosion.
 - a. Motion and second to approve up to \$400.00 from the Olsen Property budget to be used for the purchase of a sign with the condition that the design be reviewed by the Board before printing carried 5-0.
 - b. Motion and second to approve up to \$1,500.00 from the trails fund for the first phase of the accessible trail project carried 5-0.
5. RSU #12 Warrant and Notice of Election – The Sheepscot Valley Regional School Unit (SVRSU) #12 Budget Referendum will be held on June 9th. Motion and second to sign the SVRSU #12 Warrant and Notice of Election carried 5-0.
6. 2024 RE Taxes QC Deed – Payment has cleared on the foreclosed property, and a quitclaim deed has been prepared. Motion and second to sign the quitclaim deed for account #1188 carried 5-0.
7. Purchasing Policy – Motion and second to adopt the amended Purchasing Policy carried 5-0.
8. Fox Farm Lane – The Town received an invoice for road work done on Fox Farm Lane. The Town contributes to the maintenance of Fox Farm Lane as a landowner despite the road being private. Motion and second to approve \$600.00 for work done on Fox Farm Lane carried 5-0.

9. Road Commissioner Rates – Upon further review, some of the rates were inadvertently omitted at the previous meeting. Those rates were added to the previously discussed rates and updated in line with the others.
10. Roadside Brush Clearing – A Request for Bid (RFB) was drafted for advertisement. The deadline for bids was set for May 19, 2026. Motion and second to approve the Roadside Brush Clearing RFB carried 5-0.
11. 2026 Road Paving – Verbiage was added to the RFB giving the town flexibility on the scope of work if the price of asphalt rises. The deadline for bids was set for May 19. Motion and second to approve the 2026 Road Paving RFB carried 5-0.
12. Mr. Hallowell received a substantial number of documents from Frank Ober after he left the Roads Committee. Joshua Thomas will be asked about how GIS could be used in the specific context of roads data.
13. The Town has had no further contact with the beaver expert.
14. The Maine Municipal Association is looking for nominations for their Legislative Policy Committee. Any municipal official could be nominated. Nominations due by June 4, 2026
15. Invoices have been submitted for the Risk Management Grant. The planters have been placed but are still waiting on materials before being filled and planted. The grant reimbursement funds will be sent in the next couple of weeks.
16. Additional solar panels will be required to fully cover the needs of the town.
17. There has been no update on the audit review.
18. Mr. O'Mahoney attended a meeting of the Lincoln County Regional Planning Commission.
19. Motion and second to adjourn carried 5-0.



Seth A. Bolduc, Chair

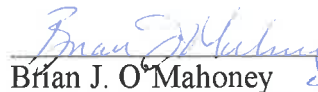


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Date



Brent W. Hallowell, Vice-Chair



Brian J. O'Mahoney



Erin E. Anderson



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