

Minutes
West Rutland Selectboard Meeting
Tuesday, October 13th, 2026
5:30 pm

Present: John Harvey, Robert Bach, Chet Brown, John Center and Dave Webster.

Others Present: Mary Ann Goulette, Andrew Silber, Sean Barrows and Mike Miller (zoom)

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 5:30pm by John Harvey with the pledge of allegiance.

Agenda Approval: Motion made by Chet seconded by Dave to amend the agenda as presented. All in Favor. Motion approved.

Minutes Approval: Motion made by Chet seconded by John to approve the minutes of the meeting of September 14th, 2026 as presented. Motion approved.

Public Concerns: None.

Action Items:

- a. **Rutland Town Fire District Merger Documents** – Rutland Town signed the asset purchase agreement. The warranty was changed to one year, because we have been working with their system for the last three years and there have been no issues. The other documents are Quick Claim Deed and Bill of Sale to be signed once the map is corrected. Motion by John seconded by Bob to sign the asset purchase agreement with the Rutland Town Fire District. Motion approved unanimously. Motion by John seconded by Bob to sign the Bill of Sale and Quick Claim Deed when the documents are signed by Rutland Town. Motion approved unanimously.
- b. **Housing Study** – White and Burke has suggested we conduct a housing study to indicate the type of housing most needed in town. Cornerstone will agree to pay 50% of the \$15,000 cost. Motion made by Bob seconded by Dave to conduct the housing at presented for 50% of the \$15,000 total cost. Motion approved unanimously.

Discussion Items:

- a) **Town Manager Report** – Sean talked about a hydraulic issue with the John Deere tractor. This is the third major issue we've had with the machine. The machine is a 2018, we purchased it in 2024 for \$95,000 and it had 2000 hours on it. Discussion on whether to fix it or sell it. We will revisit the issue once Sean has a price.

Board Member Concerns:

Bob – speeding on Pleasant Street; suggested looking at table crosswalks. Also there is light missing on the radar sign by the school.

Dave – Stop sign missing at the end of Marble Street.

John Center – can we look at the manholes at the bottom of duck hill, they need a riser.

Approve Orders: Orders were approved as presented.

Adjournment: John made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:10pm and Dave seconded.
Motion approved.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Ann Goulette