

**Town of Greenville
Select Board Meeting**

Wednesday, January 21st, 2026, 6:30 pm, Greenville Town Hall Meeting Room

Minutes for Meeting of the Select Board

Board members/Staff present at meeting:

X Selectman Geno Murray (Chair) X Selectman Bonnie DuBien Police Chief Jim Carr
 Selectman Newton Pierce (Vice-Chair) X Selectman Burt Whitman Fire Chief Sawyer Murray
X Selectman Richard Peat Town Manager Mike Roy X Town Clerk Tammy Firman

Others: John Contreni, Esther Ireland, Emily Patrick

Zoom: None

6:30 pm Meeting opened by Chair Geno Murray

1. Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

2. Introductions

No introductions necessary this week.

3. Opening of Meeting & Declaration of Conflicts of Interest: The Chair asked all members of the Select Board to review the meeting agenda and to declare any potential conflicts of interest which members may have with any of the items listed. None were identified.

4. Minutes from January 7th, 2026 and January 14th, 2026

A motion was made by Richard and seconded by Burt to accept both sets of minutes as a block. There being no discussion, motion passed 4-0.

5. Additions or Deletions to the Agenda

None

6. 2026 Assessor's Return for County Tax – Discussion, Vote and Signatures

Geno read aloud a letter from the County Manager, Mike Williams, indicating the amount of the county tax that is due from the Town of Greenville. \$833,879 is Greenville's portion. It is due September 1st, 2026. The letter was dated 31 December 2025. Greenville pays 13.26% of the county budget which is the highest payer, Dover pays 12.27% which is the next highest.

The increase from last year is \$36,195. The county tax assessment of Greenville is based on the two years' previous valuations.

A motion was made by Richard, seconded by Burt to pay the county tax as requested. There being no discussion, motion passed 4-0.

7. Town Streets and Roads Evaluation Report

Mike sent the report for the road and street evaluation recommendations done by Haley Ward a few years ago to the Selectmen for their review. Spruce Street will get some help for 300 feet by FEMA. The work on the infrastructure will begin in the spring for the housing project. We need to decide if we want to fully

reconstruct; skim and reclaim; or do nothing. There are other streets that are need of attention as well. Some of the high priority streets are no longer on that list as they have been done.

Richard thinks we need to do Spruce Street since it will be torn up anyhow. Varney Road is another concern as it has become a safety hazard. We need ditching of some of the roads that have already been done such as Lincoln. Mike shared that some of those are already on the FEMA list. We want water to run where it's supposed to run, thus the need for ditching. Bonnie and Burt agree. Burt agrees with Spruce Street. Bonnie says that Foss Street also needs to be done. The catch basin is collapsed. That is an infrastructure issue, not a whole street reconstruction according to Mike. The catch basins are part of the state's responsibility.

Richard says if we did a shim and overlay on Varney, would that include new culverts where they are lifted up? There is 1400 feet of Varney scheduled for ditching. Mike recommends grinding and skimming. Public works would then add calcium over the summer as needed. Geno stated "so we're looking for information for the RFP? I think that Matt Hall (Public Works Foreman) and Mike should evaluate and make their own priority list and add that to the RFP."

If reconstructing, we have to involve engineering. For Spruce, do we want to reconstruct or grind and shim? Matt told Mike he could go both ways on Spruce. He suggests grinding Varney and let it lay to see what comes up.

Geno thinks it's important that we use the list that Haley Ward prepared as it was paid by the taxpayers. We need to establish a continuation of the Haley Ward plan.

Mike says we need to remember that we have to pay 25% of the amount FEMA pays. We also cannot forget the Eveleth Street reconstruction for which we have no money available. Geno says that we will probably have to have an engineering study done if we have to obtain a bond. FEMA pays 100% of culverts since they are mitigation.

Richard says that we may have to take a bond out to repair some of the streets. We have to maintain the ditches to keep the roads in good order. We will have to rent a machine to do what we need to do to keep the ditches in good order.

Richard thinks we need to get an engineer for Spruce Street. He thinks we should grind up Varney. Burt agrees that we need to do Spruce right.

A motion was made by Richard, seconded by Burt to hire an engineer for Spruce Street. Motion carried 4-0.

Geno asked Mike if he has sufficient information to put out an RFP now? Yes. Mike hopes to get it out next week.

9. Manager's Report

The Town put out a notice for Budget and TIF committees. One application has been returned for Budget and three applications for TIF. One of the applicants for the TIF Committee has extensive experience. We would like to have 5-7 people for the TIF Committee.

CEO Tim Post, Mike and John Contreni met with Mike Wilson from the Northern Forest Center. The Spruce Street project is a go. The Selectmen have a picture of the proposed site plan. Mike Wilson says they expect to begin around May 1st. They expect to be able to secure a contractor and begin construction

right away. Their hope is to have two or more units completed by the fall. First responders will need access to the residences which has affected sidewalks. The snowmobile trail is unaffected.

The RFP for FEMA will be ready to go out next week.

We have started the budget planning timeline. The budget process begins the first full week of March. This gives us about 10 weeks to have everything ready for Tammy to prepare the warrant for the Annual Town Meeting. The meeting schedule could be adjusted if necessary.

Public Works will be removing the Christmas wreaths next week.

There will be lots of activities going on in Town the first week of February.

Library looks great.

The clerks have prepared for a major TRIO software update tomorrow.

10. Public Comment.

Richard mentioned warming shelters. Could we add this to the Town's website and social media? Mike will ask Beth to add to Facebook.

John Contreni suggested that during the budget process that we set an overall limit as a starting-off point. For example, we could ask departments to keep their operating budgets flat or offer a percentage to either increase or decrease. If a department is unable to work within the recommended guideline, the department manager should be prepared to explain why.

11. What's on your mind?

Burt would like to see more of a police presence out on the streets due to vehicles speeding especially on Lily Bay Road and Pritham Avenue. Geno asked Mike to discuss with Chief Carr.

12. Other Business

None

13. Adjourn

There being no further business, a motion was made by Bonnie, seconded by Burt to adjourn at 7:09 pm. Motion carried 4-0. Meeting was adjourned at 7:10 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by:

Tammy B. Firman
Town Clerk, Secretary to Select Board