



Select Board Regular Meeting

Minutes

Wednesday, September 17, 2025 at 6:00 pm

Bethel Town Office 19 Main Street

1. Call to Order

Minutes:

Select Board Members Present: Sarah Southam, Andrew Whitney, Pat McCartney, and Faye Christoforo.

Staff Members Present: Sharon Jackson, Town Manager, Tracy Walker, Town Clerk, Bethany Danforth, Deputy Clerk, and Nate Crooker Recreation Director.

Public: Jim Bennett, Rose Lincoln

A quorum was present, so Chair Sarah Southam called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

2. Flag Salute

Minutes:

Chair Sarah Southam led the flag salute.

3. Adjustments to the Agenda

Minutes:

None

4. Public Hearing

- a. **The Select Board will hear questions and comments to consider an Entertainment Permit and a new Liquor License for The Gosling, LLC, located at 174 Mayville Road.**

Minutes:

Sharon Jackson told Board that The Gosling, LLC, seating is changing from what they wrote of 75 to 70 per D.O.T. .

No public or written comments.

5. Public Comment. Please state your name and the town you are from for the record.

Minutes:

None

6. Action on Minutes

- a. **Discussion and action to approve the September 3, 2025 minutes.**

Minutes:

Andrew Whitney motioned to approve the September 3, 2025, selectboard minutes.

Pat McCartney seconded.

Vote results:

Ayes: 4 / Nays: 0 / Abstains: 0

7. Town Manager Report**Minutes:**

Sharon Jackson, Town Manager, gave a brief report.

8. Department Head Report**Minutes:**

Sharon shared the Wastewater & Ambulance reports.

Nate Crooker gave a brief report and asked about ordering the Ice Rink. Sarah Southam asked about swimming lessons. Pat McCartney asked about Ice skating warming hut.

9. Board/Committee Report**Minutes:**

None

10. Business Items**a. Discussion and action to approve a new liquor license application for The Gosling, LLC., located at 174 Mayville Road.****Minutes:**

Andrew Whitney motioned to approve a new liquor license application for The Gosling, LLC., located at 174 Mayville Road. Faye Christoforo seconded.

Sarah asked about state license.

Vote results:

Ayes: 4 / Nays: 0 / Abstains: 0

b. Discussion and action to approve an Entertainment Permit application for The Gosling, LLC., located at 174 Mayville Road.**Minutes:**

Pat McCartney motioned to approve an Entertainment Permit application for The Gosling, LLC., located at 174 Mayville Road.

Faye Christoforo seconded.

Vote results:

Ayes: 4 / Nays: 0 / Abstains: 0

c. Discussion and action to approve a Lodging House and Victualer's application for The Gosling, LLC., located at 174 Mayville Road.**Minutes:**

Faye Christoforo motioned to approve a Lodging House and Victualer's

application for The Gosling, LLC., located at 174 Mayville Road.
Pat McCartney seconded.

Vote results:

Ayes: 4 / Nays: 0 / Abstains: 0

- d. **Discussion and action to approve a Road Toll on Lincoln Street for the youth cheerleaders, Saturday, September 20th from 10 am to 2 pm.**

Minutes:

Andrew Whitney motioned to approve a Road Toll on Lincoln Street for the youth cheerleaders, Saturday, September 20th from 10 am to 2 pm. With the request the children have on safety vests and stay out of the road.
Faye Christoforo seconded.

Vote results:

Ayes: 4 / Nays: 0 / Abstains: 0

- e. **Discussion and action on a request from Scott Cole, 32 Mechanic Street, to refund taxes paid in FY23 (\$578.95) and FY24 (\$610.17) on excess value.**

Minutes:

Andrew Whitney motioned to take action on a request from Scott Cole, 32 Mechanic Street, to refund taxes paid in FY23 (\$578.95) and FY24 (\$610.17) on excess value.

Pat McCartney seconded.

Sharon went over the request and shared what the Lawyer and Assessing Agent sent for information.

Scott Cole shared information on the taxes and the issues involved.

Selectboard members asked questions and discussed issue.

Pat McCartney motioned to table this until more information could be obtained.

Faye Christoforo seconded.

Vote results:

Ayes: 4 / Nays: 0 / Abstains: 0

11. Warrants

- a. **Discussion and action to approve Accounts Payable Warrant \$2026-15 in the amount of \$56,153.41.**

Minutes:

Sarah Southam motioned to approve Accounts Payable Warrant \$2026-15 in the amount of \$56,153.41.

Pat McCartney seconded.

Vote results:

Ayes: 4 / Nays: 0 / Abstains: 0

- b. **Discussion and action to approve Accounts Payable Warrant #2026-16 in the amount of \$ 305,831.68.**

Minutes:

Sarah Southam motioned to approve Accounts Payable Warrant #2026-16 in

the amount of \$ 305,831.68.

Faye Christoforo seconded.

Vote results:

Ayes: 4 / Nays: 0 / Abstains: 0

c. Discussion and action to approve Accounts Payable Warrant \$2026-17 in the amount of \$88,369.20.

Minutes:

Sarah Southam motioned to add 11. c. to Discussion and action to approve Accounts Payable Warrant \$2026-17 in the amount of \$88,369.20.

Faye Christoforo seconded.

Sarah Southam motioned to approve Accounts Payable Warrant \$2026-17 in the amount of \$88,369.20.

Pat McCartney seconded.

Vote results:

Ayes: 4 / Nays: 0 / Abstains: 0

12. Select Board Items

Minutes:

Faye Christoforo would like access to GIS system with data access.

Sarah discussed the comprehensive plan. Sharon went over report from Erica, we can put an ad in paper for applications for committee and steps involved to form the committee. We have two free trainings available to help with the processes.

Andrew suggested discussing our plan with Oxford County with other towns and even help from ski resorts. Sarah asked about grants.

13. Executive Session

Minutes:

None

14. Adjourn

Minutes:

Pat McCartney motioned to adjourn at 7:40 pm.

Faye Christoforo seconded.

Vote results:

Ayes: 4 / Nays: 0 / Abstains: 0

15. Future Agendas