

**Town of Wayne, Maine
Select Board Meeting Minutes
January 20th, 2026
Ladd Recreation Center**

Call Meeting to Order/ Select Board Present:

Henry Steck determined quorum and called the meeting to order at 5:33 PM with the following members present: Tom Moran and Marianne Butak. Lloyd Irland joined at 5:45. Hazel Stevenson was absent.

Shannon McDonnell, Town Manager, was also present.

Executive Session – Consultation w/Legal Counsel: 1 M.R.S.A. § 405(6)(E) – Wayne’s 100 Acre Wood.

- a. Henry Steck asked the Select Board if there were any objection to allow Ken Spaulding to attend the Executive Session. No objections
- b. The Board moved to enter into Executive Session at 5:35 PM **(Steck/Moran) (3-0)**.
- c. The Board moved to exit Executive Session at 6:35 PM **(Steck/Moran) (4-0)**.
- d. Action: The Select Board discussed next steps regarding Wayne’s 100-Acre Wood. The Board made a motion to direct the Town Manager to request a conference with the Town Attorney and opposing counsel to discuss respective positions, to be attended by Lloyd Irland, Henry Steck, and the Town Manager. **(Steck/Moran) (4-0)**.

Consider Additional Business: Tom Moran requested to add a discussion regarding a Cannabis Ordinance.

Conflicts: None.

Minutes:

The Board approved the Select Board Meeting Minutes for January 6th, 2026 **(Butak/Steck) (3-0-1, Butak abstained)**.

Warrants/Donations:

- a. The Board approved Payroll Warrant #26 in the amount of \$13,236.95 **(Butak/Steck) (4-0)**.
- b. The Board approved Accounts Payable Warrant #27 in the amount of \$40,832.05 **(Butak/Moran) (4-0)**.
- c. The Board accepted donations in the amount of \$700.00 to supplement the existing appropriation for Ladd Recreation Center programs. **(Butak/Moran) (4-0)**.
- d. The Board accepted donations in the total amount of \$165.00 to supplement the existing appropriation for the Aging at Home program. **(Butak/Moran) (4-0)**.

Old Business:

- a. The Board appointed the following four members at-large to the Comprehensive Plan Committee: Lynette Stinneford, Chris Heard, Cynthia Pettengill, and Ford Stevenson. **(Steck/Moran) (4-0)**.
- b. The Board simultaneously approved the appointment of Richard McAlee as the Planning Board representative, and Paula Nersesian as the Conservation Commission representative, to serve on the Comprehensive Plan Committee. **(Steck/Moran) (4-0)**. The Board directed the Town Manager to

schedule an organizational meeting to elect a chair. The Select Board will appoint a representative at an upcoming meeting.

- c. The Select Board discussed road maintenance of White Road. Consensus remained with the motion voted on in the previous meeting on January 6th, 2026.

New Business:

- a. The Board approved an expenditure of up to \$8,500.00 from the Fire Department Equipment Reserve Account for four four-gas meters. **(Butak/Irland) (4-0)**.
- b. The Board TABLED discussion of the proposed Ladd Recreation Center Ordinance to next meeting.
- c. The Town Manager presented the proposed FY 26-27 Budget Workshop Schedule. No conflicts.
- d. The Town Manager proposed the following budget revisions:
 - Ladd Recreation Center Ordinance warrant article and operating expense
 - Move LRC Building under Land & Buildings (utilities, maintenance)
 - Aging at Home Ordinance warrant article and operating expense under its own category
 - Authorize SB to expend from the Contingency account for unanticipated overages from any budget category deemed necessary
 - Authorize to move up to \$X between budget categories with no impact on the overall budget
 - Authorize SB to establish a grant funding accounts
 - Article for setting the tax dates (Thursday Oct 1st, Friday Jan 29th, Thursday April 1st)
 - Article to properly address closing of roads (if applicable)
 - Reconcile the Trust Funds
 - Add legal expense and mileage under CEO

Public Comment. None.

Town Manager Report.

- a. Building Committee applications deadline has been extended to Friday, February 6th.
- b. Infrastructure Committee will be meeting February 9th at 9:30 AM at the Town Office.

Select Board Comment.

- a. Tom Moran presented an update to the Select Board regarding a Cannabis Ordinance, developed by him and Marianne Butak. Tom informed the board that there are nearly 500 municipalities across the state and 126 have allowed adult use retail cannabis, which means approximately 374 have opted out. Some towns have developed separate ordinances for several reasons, including “avoidance of challenges, delivery of services, regulate home cultivation, define public consumption areas, and future flexibility.” Tom noted a recommendation: Keep as an open item to be addressed; not considered a priority presently.
- b. Lloyd Irland discussed a draft septic ordinance for the towns of Leeds and Wayne, including schedules for pumping, maintenance, and enforcement within shoreland zones.


Motion to adjourn at 7:46 PM. (Butak/Irland) (4-0).

The next regular Select Board Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 3rd, at 6:30 p.m. by Hybrid format.

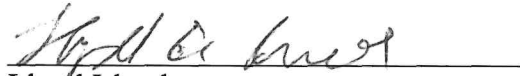
Recorded by:

Shannon McDonnell, Town Manager

Select Board Members


Marianne Butak


Henry Steck


Lloyd Irland

Hazel Stevenson

Tom Moran

