

Town of Wayne, Maine
Select Board Meeting Minutes
January 6th, 2026
Ladd Recreation Center

Call Meeting to Order/ Select Board Present:

Henry Steck determined quorum and called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM with the following members present: Lloyd Irland, Tom Moran and Hazel Stevenson. Marianne Butak was absent.

Shannon McDonnell, Town Manager, was also present.

Consider Additional Business: Select Board Chair Henry Steck suggested moving the Community Action Grant update to the beginning and including a Ladd Recreation Center Ordinance update. Town Manager Shannon McDonnell requested Item 7f include an additional \$150 for a total amount of \$250.

Conflicts: None.

(Out of Order) Community Action Grant Update. Paula Nersesian presented an update on the actions and progress made with the Hydrology Vulnerability Assessment Steering Committee and the VHB consultants. The steering committee will meet on Wednesday, January 7th, to highlight critical assets among the inventory provided by the consultants and submit back to them by mid-month for their modeling assessment.

(Additional Business) Ladd Recreation Center Ordinance Update. Eric Stinneford explained he has a working draft of a Ladd Recreation Center (LRC) ordinance that will be presented to the LRC Board for review at their meeting on Monday evening. Pending any revisions after the Board's meeting, the draft will be sent to the Select Board and town attorney for a legal review.

Minutes:

The Board approved the Select Board Meeting Minutes for December 16th, 2025 **(Stevenson/Moran) (4-0)**.

Warrants/Donations:

- a. The Board approved Payroll Warrant #23 in the amount of \$23,763.17 **(Stevenson/Moran) (4-0)**.
- b. The Board approved Payroll Warrant #24 in the amount of \$15,602.90 **(Stevenson/Moran) (4-0)**.
- c. The Board approved \$7,738.75 of the Roads Reserve Account be applied for shoulder work of the fall paving project on Green True Rd, Besse Rd, and Strickland Ferry Rd. **(Irland/Moran) (4-0)**.
- d. The Board approved Accounts Payable Warrant #25 in the amount of \$314,373.23 **(Steck/Moran) (4-0)**.
- e. The Board accepted donations in the amount of \$1,971.44 to supplement the existing appropriation for Ladd Recreation Center programs. **(Stevenson/Moran) (4-0)**.
- f. The Board accepted donations in memory of Peter Emery and Dick Crane in the total amount of \$250.00 to supplement the existing appropriation for the Aging at Home program. **(Steck/Stevenson) (4-0)**.

Old Business:

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Motion to adjourn at 8:05 PM. (Steck/Stevenson) (4-0).

- a. The Board approved a motion to allow a member of the Conservation Commission to be present in the executive session. (Steck/Moran) (4-0).
- b. The Board moved to enter into Executive Session – Real Estate: 1 M.R.S.A. SS 405(6)(C) – Wayne’s 100-Acre Wood. (Steck/Moran) (4-0).
- c. The Board exited Executive Session (Steck/Moran) (4-0).

Executive Session:

- a. Henry Steck proposed the Select Board decide what, if any, ordinances should be presented at the annual town meeting.
- b. Lloyd Ireland requested a copy of the Readfield Cannabis Ordinance and reasoning for the CEO recommendation of it. Lloyd also requested an update on the Sustain Wayne Building.

Select Board Comment.

- a. Comprehensive Plan and Building Committee applications are due Friday, January 9th. There is also a vacant seat for a Planning Board Alternate that will be advertised for.
- b. Met with the Infrastructure Committee on Monday, January 5th. The Committee outlined 7 roads for surface paving, 8 roads for reclaim, reconstruction of Dexter Pond Rd, repair on Lovejoy Pond Dam, and repair/replacement of Tempy Bridge. The Committee is working to develop a 5-year maintenance plan for road maintenance and infrastructure priorities.
- c. Budget Schedule will be sent out to the Select Board for review.
- d. Town Manager will be out of the office next week on Thursday from 10:30-2:30 to attend a town manager meeting in Chelsea.
- e. The Town Manager has not found a Town Meeting warrant article that officially accepts White Road as a town way, although previous town reports have reflected procedures to close it to winter maintenance which applies to town ways only. The Board moved, “We undertake to perform winter maintenance up to the current residents on White Road.” (Steck/Moran) (4-0).

Town Manager Report.

Public Comment. None.

New Business: None.

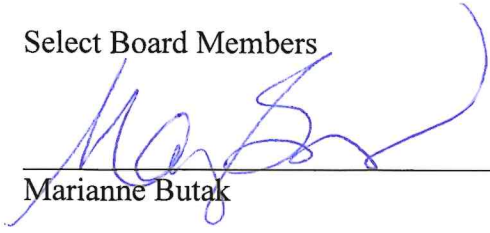
- a. The Board approved the Boards and Committees Appointments Policy subject to adding, “including residency requirements” in line #8 between “appointing members” and “that differ from this policy,” and request the town manager make a final copy and put it on the website. Public comment was taken from Eric Stimmerford, addressing an amendment that will need to be made once the LRC Ordinance is completed and approved. (Steck/Ireland) (4-0).
- b. The Board approved the Town of Wayne Financial Policy amendments with the date of adoption for January 6th, 2026. (Steck/Moran) (4-0).
- c. 100-Acre Wood Update. No discussion.

The next regular Select Board Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 20th, at 6:30 p.m. by Hybrid format.

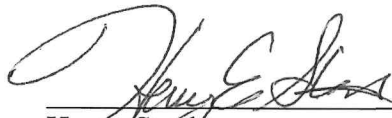
Recorded by:

Shannon McDonnell, Town Manager

Select Board Members



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