

Minutes

Town of Plymouth, Vermont

Select Board – Regular Meeting

Monday, July 6, 2026 @ 6:00 PM

Municipal Building Meeting Room

Board Members Present:

Jay Kullman

Rick Kaminski

Staff Members Present:

Angela Kissell

Others Present:

Okemo Valley TV

Dave Olster

Joy Donnelly

Zoom Participants:

Cherry Nicoll

Debbie Pelkey

Michael Miller

1. Call to Order:

- a. Jay called the meeting to order at 6:05 PM.

2. Consideration of Any Changes, Additions or Removals to the Agenda:

- a. Rick Kaminski asked if we could change the order of the agenda and put the salt shed to #6.
- b. Jay Kullman was fine with that.

3. Approve Meeting Minutes:

- a. **Jay Kullman made a motion to approve June 1, 2026, Regular Meeting Minutes. Rick Kaminski seconded the motion. The motion carried.**
- b. **Jay Kullman made a motion to approve July 1, 2026, Emergency Meeting Minutes. Rick Kaminski seconded the motion. The motion carried.**

4. Citizen Comments:

- a. None

5. Select Board to Review & Approve Contract w/Cartographic Associates, Inc:

- a. The Select Board decided to hold off on the contract. Debbie wanted to speak with Franco.

6. Discussion of FY26 Year End Review:

- a. Brief discussion about FY26 budget numbers. The general fund closed at 1.5 million. There was a \$200,000 transferred which Cherry confirmed that was the fire truck money.

7. Two (2) Fund Accounts Showing Surplus – Approval of Where to Move Money:

- a. Rick Kaminski wanted to talk about the salt shed since they were talking about excess funds. He said Larry has the final plans and specifications for the salt shed. He left two copies on the table. He added that we need to find a grant to be able to pay for it. He wanted to talk about this before the discussion on the surplus in case we need matching funds maybe we can use some of those.
- b. Jay said if we get a grant we might need matching funds and we might need to go to the voters depending on the amount.
- c. Jay also reiterated that he spoke with TRORC and there are seven (7) other Towns that need salt sheds so we are not alone.
- d. Jay added that without a salt shed it becomes an environmental risk having it on the ground uncovered.
- e. Rick added that another advantage of this is there is an equipment shed included. The highway can't have their equipment left out. The fire department bays are now full so the highway lost some room there.
- f. Discussion on the Stickney Bridge account as well as the renovation project. Both accounts have excess funds in them.
- g. **Jay made a motion to move the excess funds from Stickney Bridge into the Bridge Reserve Fund. Rick Kaminski seconded the motion. The motion carried.**

8. Select Board to Review and Possibly Approve FY27 Employee Wages:

- a. **Jay Kullman made a motion to approve 3% wage increase for the majority of employees. There was a previous wage increase approved that would become effective 7/1/26 for two employees who would be taken on additional responsibilities upon Cherry Nicolls resignation. This was indicated on the wage increase document. Rick Kaminski agreed with the motion. Motion carried.**

9. Select Board to Approve Request to Cater Permit:

- a. **Rick Kaminski made a motion to approve JC Bread Company LLC request to cater permit. Jay Kullman seconded the motion. The motion carried.**

10. Update on Town Owned Real Estate:

- a. Angela Kissell gave an update that two of the three pieces of land that the town owns has sold. The Town still has one parcel of land that is on Salt Ash. The asking price was originally \$50,000 but has since dropped to \$25,000 with hopes of selling it.

11. State of Vermont Department of Taxes – Required Appraisal:

- a. Debbie Pelkey gave an update on the Town wide reappraisal that will be starting next month. She will be working with Ryan Silvestri on this. She will begin making appointments with residents to get site visits scheduled. People whom they cannot connect with the process will be to take exterior photos and gather as much information as possible from Zillow and the online databases. She added that the goal is to have all the fieldwork done by snowfall then the inputting will begin.

12. Select Board to Review and Possibly Approve *Stipulation Regarding Appeal to BCA*:

- a. There was discussion on the value of property owned by Comcast & Vermont Telephone Company, Inc. Deb Pelkey said that the state determines these values therefore it is hard for the Town Assessor to agree or disagree. These stipulations will allow Comcast and VTel to skip a hearing with the BCA and move straight to a hearing with the PVR. It will save time and resources.
- b. **Jay Kullman made a motion to approve the Stipulation Regarding Appeal to BCA for Comcast as well as Vermont Telephone Company, Inc. Rick Kaminski seconded the motion. The motion carried.**

13. Select Board to Review and Possibly Approve Historical Society Lease:

- a. The Select Board reviewed the Lease Agreement between Town and Historical Society which is more in-depth than needed; however, it is consistent with the others that the Town has signed.
- b. Joy Donnelly asked that one change be made to Section #28.
- c. **Jay Kullman made a motion to approve the Lease Agreement between the Town and Historical Society subject to the change requested by Joy Donnelly. Rick Kaminski seconded the motion. The motion carried.**

14. Review Silloway Networks, Inc. Proposal & Discussion on Current IT Vendor:

- a. A brief discussion was had on the Silloway proposal that was presented. The Select Board agreed that it was more than the Town needed. Declined to move forward.

15. Select Board to Discuss Salt Shed:

- a. Already discussed – moved up in the agenda.

16. Other Business:

- a. Rick Kaminski announced that he would be stepping down from the Select Board as well as all other Boards. His resignation is effective immediately. He thanked the Town and the people in it and appreciated all of his time on the Board.

17. Next Select Board Meeting Date:

18. Agenda Items for Next Meeting:

19. Executive Session:

- a. Went into executive session at 6:50 PM to discuss confidential records exempt from public disclosure.
- b. Came out of executive session at 7:19 PM.

20. Adjourn:

- a. Meeting adjourned at 7:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Angela Kissell
Town Clerk & Treasurer
Recording Secretary

Town of Plymouth Select Board

Jay Kullman, Chair

Rick Kaminski, Vice Chair

Keith Cappellini