

Preliminary Minutes

Town of Plymouth, Vermont

Select Board – Regular Meeting

Monday, September 14, 2026 @ 6:00 PM

Municipal Building Meeting Room

<u>Board Members Present:</u>	Jay Kullman	Keith Cappellini	Jeffrey Sailer
<u>Staff Members Present:</u>	Angela Kissell	Beth-Graves (zoom)	Deb Pelkey (zoom)
<u>Others Present:</u>	Okemo Valley TV Willow Bascom Henry Shipman Bonnie	Rick Martin Carol Goodwin Mark Zanetti Dave Olster	Terry Bascom Pepper Tepperman Barbara Lurie

1. Call to Order:
 - a. Jay Kullman called the meeting to order at 6:01 PM.
2. Consideration of Any Changes, Additions or Removals to the Agenda:
 - a. Jay Kullman asked if any Changes, Additions or Removals to the Agenda.
 - b. Rick Martin said he had an update on the counters on Lynds Hill and Johnson Farm.
 - c. Pepper Tepperman wanted to add something about her road.
 - d. Jay Kullman added that he wanted to give an update on the Pepper Tepperman vs Bethany Birches case as well as the Bridgewater Bridge.
 - e. Willow Bascom wanted to talk about flock cameras.
3. Approve Meeting Minutes:
 - a. **Jay Kullman made a motion to approve August 3, 2026, Meeting Minutes. Jeff Sailer seconded the motion. The motion carried.**
 - b. **Jay Kullman made a motion to approve August 10, 2026, Meeting Minutes. Keith Cappellini seconded the motion. The motion carried.**
4. Citizen Comments:
5. Select Board to Review and Approve Changes to Historical Society Lease Agreement:
 - a. **Jay Kullman made a motion to approve the minor changes to the revised Plymouth Historical Society Lease Agreement. Jeff Sailer seconded the motion. The motion carried.**
6. Delinquent Tax Report Update:
 - a. Jay Kullman read Delinquent Beth Graves, Delinquent Tax Collector Report.

7. Townwide Reappraisal Update from Debbie Pelkey:

- a. Debbie Pelkey gave an update on the Townwide Reappraisal that will be taken place starting October 1, 2026. The Assessors' Office will be having a Q&A Session on Tuesday, September 22, 2026 at 6:00 PM at the Municipal Building.
- b. Ryan Silvestri will be discussing the re-appraisal process. Talking about the appointments, badges and things for residents to look for.
- c. Henry Shipman as well as others had questions as to when the reappraisal process was going to begin and conclude.
- d. Debbie said that it will begin at the beginning of October and be concluded by April 1, 2027.

8. Discussion Around Town Expense for Solid Waste Removal & Recycling:

- a. There was a brief discussion around the cost of trash and recycling pickup in the Town of Plymouth. Bonnie from North Star Rubbish talked about the tonnage pricing as well as the schedule for trash and recycling pickup. There was discussion around other options such as a dumpster at the Municipal Garage or a Fast Trash which would be a dropoff location a day or evening a week. Some options would remove the \$92,000+ budget line item that is in the Town Expenses and would put it back on the residents who utilize the services.

9. Select Board to Review and Approve 2026 Better Roads Grant Application:

- a. Jay Kullman had additional questions and the Select Board decided to table this conversation until Jay had answers.

10. Select Board to Review and Sign FY27 Grants-In-Aid Application:

- a. Jay Kullman had additional questions and the Select Board decided to table this conversation until Jay had answers.

11. Select Board to Review and Possibly Approve DLL Applications:

- a. **Keith Cappellini made a motion to approve the Silver Hospitality, LLC – Request to Cater Permit. Jay Kullman seconded the motion. The motion carried.**

12. Select Board to Discuss Windsor County Sheriff's Contract:

- a. There was a lengthy discussion around the Sheriff's Department concerning speed enforcement, tickets, and emergency response. There was also discussion around the annual cost and then what the Town receives for income from tickets issued. Residents were talking about the lack of coverage and/or the lack of Police presence in an event of an emergency. The Select Board reminded residents that there was previously more police presence at the cost of \$130,000 or so and residents thought it was too much money. Now people are saying not enough. A few of the residents talked about the speed in certain areas of Route 100 and wanted it to be lowered. Town Clerk, Angela Kissell spoke of her recent conversations with VTrans personnel, Joe Kelley. It's highly unlikely that they will lower the speed limit. She had been working with him/them about the speed limit going into Tyson and they were not willing to reduce the speed.

13. Select Board to Review and Possibly Approve GIS Conversion Services:

- a. Not available currently.

14. Select Board to Review and Possibly Approve Line Painting Quote from Shawn Gerry:

- a. Select Board agreed to find another Vendor that was able to do everything that we wanted and not settle on a portion of it.

15. Other Business:

- a. Rick Martin talked about the counters on the back roads and heard it was done to count traffic for paving the road.
- b. Angela Kissell added that she spoke with Vtrans and it is not for paving but for counting cars on the secondary roads. They left counters up for a week to count the traffic as these are roads that help feed into the state roads, and we also receive funds from the state on the different classifications of road.
- c. Rick also added that Tyler Waters from the Highway does a great job on Lynds Hill Road.
- d. Pepper Tepperman wanted to discuss Town Line Road. She expressed her frustration with the Highway Department and for the lack of care the culverts and her road have received over the years.
- e. Jay said that he would speak to the Highway Foreman about that.
- f. Jay Kullman updated on the Pepper Tepperman vs Town / Bethany Birches case. Bethany Birches is asking for Summary Judgement, which means for the Judge to just make a decision.
- g. Willow Bascom asked about Flock Cameras. It is her understanding that there is one in the Town of Ludlow at the lower side of West Hill below the Police Department.
- h. Residents expressed not wanting to have them in this Town.
- i. Jay Kullman talked about a possible ordinance for the Town and putting it on the ballot for Town Meeting to vote on in March.
- j. Angela said she would do a little research and begin drafting something.
- k. Jay Kullman noted that the bridge should be opening by or on September 21, 2026.

16. Next Board Meeting Date:

- a. Monday, October 5, 2026

17. Agenda Items for Next Meeting:

- a. Flock cameras

18. Mail & Warrants:

19. Executive Session:

20. Adjourn:

- a. **Jeff Sailer made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:06 PM. Jay Kullman seconded the motion. The motion carried.**

Respectfully submitted,

Angela Kissell
Town Clerk & Treasurer
Recording Secretary

Town of Plymouth Select Board

Jay Kullman, Chair

Keith Cappellini

Jeffrey Sailer