

Town of Holland
Selectboard Meeting Minutes
Town Office
May 11, 2026

Present: Select board Members: Trevor Gray, Dave Jacobs

Town Clerk/Treasurer: Diane Judd

Road Foreman: Adam Provost

Others: Jim Davis, Kenric Gonyaw, Karla Braunesreither, Gabrielle Gervais (the Chronicle)

1. Meeting was called to order at 6:35 by Trevor

2. Minutes – from 04/28/2026 were approved. Dave/Trevor AIF

3. Adoption/Amendments to Agenda – Dave asked to pass over the Sheriff Contract due to personal conflict

4. New Business –

A. Road Foreman Report – The grader has been fully serviced. A small transmission leak was discovered. The new tires are in for the grader. Truck 17 has had the front studded tires changed out. The windshield needs to be replaced due to scratches from sanding during the winter months. Truck 21 is waiting on recapped tires. The road crew has done some ditching and grading. Whips are all picked up. Trevor received an equipment price list from Jason Patenaude. It shows prices per machine to do work. Trevor suggested reaching out to Jason to get some ditching lined up. It will be \$150 per hour for the excavator work. Adam shared that Elise Grout will be coming to help him decide the best use of the Grants in Aid funds as far as where the work should be done. We were awarded a \$40,000 Better Roads grant to replace the culvert on Bates Hill Road. There is a \$10,000 match, half of which will be in kind. Many thanks to Eric Pope at VTRANS who worked on the grant for Holland. The trees near the Stearns/Valley Road intersection have not been cut yet.

B. Sheriff Contract – passed over

C. Conflict of Interest Policy - was revamped according to the State of Vermont and Federal specifications. Trevor moved to adopt, 2nd by Dave. AIF

D. Procurement/Purchasing Policy – was revamped according to the State of Vermont and Federal specifications. Trevor moved to adopt, 2nd by Dave. AIF

E. Grant Management Policy for State & Federal Funding - was created according to the State of Vermont and Federal specifications. Trevor moved to adopt, 2nd by Dave. AIF

F. Expenditure Reports – were reviewed

G. Holland Unity Center

1. Facility Update – Ric shared that no keyless quote has been received yet. He and Diane have discussed alternatives such as a plain keyless entry that can have multiple codes that can be changed. Shaun Sykes will be scheduling the generator maintenance. The door on the gym has had some issues, the closer is currently not functioning.

5. Public Comment – Karla shared that the Holland Community Center is working on Holland Day which will be held on July 25. Free pizza, burgers and soft drinks. There will be a dunk tank (provided by the Farmyard Store) and she invited the Select Board to be dunkees. There will be bounce houses for the children as well as yard games. There will be horseshoes and corn hole. The HCC is currently hosting line dancing on Tuesday from 5:30-7:00; The weekly stretch is on Saturday mornings from 9:00-10:00. Another bingo is planned for August 14

6. Old Business:

A. NEK Little Ones Lease – Theresa counter offered to pay \$900 per month for 12 months. This is \$350 more per year than what she is paying now. Trevor moved to accept, 2nd by Dave. AIF

B. Financing for Bridge #30 – As the added expense of an audit would negate the slightly lower interest rate of a bond, Diane suggested that we go with a traditional loan. She is working on getting several banks to give loan rates. A special town meeting will need to be held as the voters will need to vote to approve the loan. Diane will work on the logistics of the meeting and vote, as well as getting the rate quotes.

7. Town Clerk/Treasurer Update – Diane shared that her new assistant Barb is doing well so far.

8. Select Board Updates – none

9. Review of bills and signing orders

Highway:

Payroll 05/05/2026 \$2,560.52

Payroll 05/12/2026 \$2,637.51

Invoices 05/11/2026 \$41,370.62

General:

Payroll 05/05/2026 \$1,026.81

Payroll 05/12/2026 \$899.15

Invoices 05/11/2026 \$9,046.31

10. Executive Session - none

11. Adjourned at 7:45 Trevor moved, 2nd by Dave

Meeting Schedule: Wednesday, May 27