

**Town of Charleston
Selectboard Meeting 6/26/2025**

MINUTES

THESE MINUTES ARE UNOFFICIAL UNTIL APPROVED AT THE NEXT MEETING.

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 pm by Patrick Austin, Chair. Also attending: Terry Rollins (TR); and Selectboard Clerk Colleen Kellogg (CK).

Under additions to the agenda, CK asked to add a couple of announcements.

A motion to approve the June 12th meeting minutes was made by TR and seconded by PA. The minutes were approved as written with no discussion.

There was no Public Comment or Road Report.

OLD BUSINESS

- For the board's information, the Treasurer learned that the current loan interest rate at Community National Bank for purchasing a grader would be 4.920%. No action taken.
- Discussion of future gravel harvesting at the Barton Gravel Pit was tabled until the next meeting when all board members and the Road Foreman can participate. The Chair said he would like to explore boring survey holes and find out how close to the property lines the town can excavate.
- Discussion of a proposed cable reroute on Dane Hill Rd was tabled until the next meeting so that the Road Foreman can be present.

NEW BUSINESS

- An Error & Omission Certificate was submitted by the Listers to correct an error in the 2025 value of a property owned by Joda Hodge, due to removal of a camp. The certificate was accepted and signed by both Selectboard members.
- The Annual Financial Control Checklist submitted by the Treasurer was accepted by the Selectboard.
- The board has learned that November 16, 2025 will be the 200th anniversary of the town's name-change from Navy to Charleston. PA said it would be nice to do something to mark the event. He asked that the matter be placed on the next agenda so that the board can discuss it and consider allocating funds. Maybe interested townspeople will come forward to plan and organize a celebration effort.

Two Selectboard Orders totaling \$8,636.40 and three Road Orders totaling \$22,837.41 were approved and signed by both members.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- In response to the ELPA and town petition to prohibit wakeboats on Echo Lake, the state has denied the petition but is proposing revisions to the state rule.
- CK said that a grant application to the Vermont Diesel Emissions Reduction program was submitted, and notification is expected on Friday.
- Seymour and Echo Lake Associations will hold a Stormwater Workshop in Morgan on August 15 to help landowners with best practices for stormwater management. Although

organized around lake and river areas, the information is important for any property owners dealing with drainage and run-off issues due to storms.

- CK distributed information about permissible reasons for entering executive sessions during meetings.
- PA said he noticed markings on Durgin Rd, indicating pavement work may begin soon.

Seeing no other business, TR made a motion to adjourn, which was seconded by PA, and the meeting adjourned at 6:10 pm. The next regular meeting will be held Thursday, July 10, 2025, at 6:00 pm.

Approved this 10th day of July 2025:

Selectboard, Town of Charleston