

**TOWN OF EASTON  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
REGULAR MEETING  
MONDAY, JULY 14, 2025  
6:30 PM  
EASTON TOWN OFFICE  
MINUTES**

PRESENT: Bruce Flewelling, Norm Trask, Doug Blackstone, Tammy Beaulier-Fuller and Cheryl Clark.

1. Chairman Flewelling called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM
2. There was no public comment.
3. It was moved by Tammy Beaulier-Fuller and seconded by Norman Trask to approve the minutes of June 9, 2025, regular Board of Selectmen's meeting. Motion carried 4-0.
4. It was moved by Norman Trask and seconded by Tammy Beaulier-Fuller to approve and sign the Treasurer's warrants #26-31. Motion carried 4-0.
5. It was moved by Doug Blackstone and seconded by Tammy Beaulier-Fuller to approve the financial figures through July 10, 2025. Motion carried 4-0.
6. Reviewed and discussed Easton School Department's financial statement as of 6/30/2025.
7. Reviewed and discussed the Town of Easton Cemetery Policy prepared by the Cemetery Committee. It was moved by Tammy Beaulier-Fuller and seconded by Norman Trask to approve The Town of Easton Cemetery Policy as presented. Motion carried 4-0.
8. Discussed responses received in regard to letters of noncompliance sent to three subdivision property owners that have not built single family dwellings on their lots within the required two years. The lot sold to Joanne Nadeau in 2016 did not have the language regarding the required restrictions and covenants included in the deed and, after checking with the town's legal counsel Richard Currier, there is no recourse for the Town to require the property owner to sell the lot back. The McGlinn's and Wendy Dunn asked for more time. Also, Ryan Rackliffe sent a letter to the Select Board asking them to consider allowing him to purchase the adjacent lot with the intention of building a garage with an apartment above it. The Select Board's response was no. Cheryl will contact Mr. Rackliffe and let him know.
9. Reviewed, discussed and signed 2025-2026 County Tax Bill in the amount of \$760,854.00 (payment 2 of 2024 Special 6 Month County Tax bill of \$90,266.00 plus 2025-2026 County Tax of \$670,588.00).
10. Discussed quotes for leveling oldest section of Estes Park Cemetery (same section as stone repair done this year). It was moved by Norman Trask and seconded by Tammy Beaulier-Fuller to award the job to Charette Property Services for \$6,700.00. Motion carried 4-0.
11. Discussed sale of 1994 fire truck. The truck was advertised as for bid in the Star Herald with an opening date of June 27, 2025 and a minimum bid of \$20,000 but no bids were received. Select Board asked Town Manager to put the truck back out to bid and expand advertising to include

town's website, Facebook Marketplace, Maine Municipal Association website and Maine Town and City Manager's listserve.

12. Discussed Fuller lot at Center as potential fire station site. As there is a stream running through the lot, the Town Manager will request a wetland delineation be carried out by Morse Environmental to establish if there is enough room.
13. The Town Manager updated the Select Board on the residential revaluation process. Letters and property tax cards have been mailed to taxpayers and appointments will be made for the week of August 4<sup>th</sup> for questions and concerns. Select Board were provided State of Maine Revenue Services Preliminary 2026 State Valuation Report, and it was noted that projected residential value would have dropped to 83% had the revaluation not been performed. It was moved by Doug Blackstone and seconded by Norman Trask to commit taxes at the next Select Board meeting to be held Monday, August 18, 2025. Motion carried 4-0.
14. Updated Select Board on School Childcare project. Per Megan Barnes of ACAP, as of 7/2/2025 one Infant/Toddler room is full at 8 children and the other infant toddler room has a few openings, the PreK & three- and four-year-old room has 14 enrolled and the after-school program has 8 children enrolled. The playground should be ready in the coming weeks; classroom equipment has been ordered, and they are continuing to hire staff with 4 full-time staff to date. A ribbon cutting ceremony is scheduled for September 4<sup>th</sup> from 3 PM to 5 PM.
15. Reviewed Small Community Grant Easement to be signed by Richard Green, President of the United Baptist Church. So noted.
16. Manager's items:
  - Town Manager informed Select Board of proposed Wolastoq-St John Restoration Initiative which aims to restore access to hundreds of miles of habitat for Eastern brook trout, Atlantic salmon, and other aquatic species and improve road crossing safety in communities.
  - Town Manager informed Select Board of Bob Clark, Road Commissioner/Highway Foreman's upcoming surgery on August 13, 2025. The Select Board indicated they would like to see a physician's permission before Bob returns to full heavy duty.
  - The Town Manager relayed from Trisha House that the THUD bill has not yet been marked up by the appropriations committee but should take place in the next few weeks.
17. It was moved by Tammy Beaulier-Fuller and seconded by Norman Trask to adjourn at 8:08 PM. Motion carried. 4-0.