

APPROVED MINUTES

Worcester Selectboard Regular Meeting Minutes

November 17, 2025 at 6:30 pm

Worcester Town Office Complex

Selectboard members present: Roger Strobbridge, Carter Stowell and John Kaeding

Town staff present: Jennifer LeStat, Katie Miller and Ernie LaPlant

Guest: Chris Pollard

Housekeeping

- Roger moved to accept the draft minutes of the regular Selectboard meeting of 11/3/2025; seconded by John and unanimously approved
- Additions/Deletions to the agenda - none

Public Input - none

Department Reviews

Town Clerk Report

- the recent bond vote election is over and ended in the bond being voted down
- Jennifer will now be directing her attention to the upcoming Town Report and Town Meeting Day

Town Treasurer Report

- It's tax collection time; outstanding amounts due are roughly \$90,000, that is almost twice as much as usual
- all 2024 flood projects have been completed, now Katie will be submitting final documentation to the state

Fire Department Report

- the department has received upgraded handheld thermal devices for heat sensing and imaging during fire emergencies
- the FD is looking forward to receiving the new-to-us used rescue vehicle

New Business

Review Highway Department applications for new position

- Doc reported that two applications were received, only one applicant had a Commercial Driver's License (CDL) which was a requirement for the position

- that applicant is Gary Powers and is well known to Doc and Jeff who attest to his abilities and work ethic
- John moved to present an offer letter to Gary Powers for the new position with the Highway Department; seconded by Roger and unanimously approved

Old Business

Review 2026 Budget

- Katie presented the latest updated figures
- Roger moved to table the draft budget discussion until the next meeting, seconded by John and unanimously approved

Correspondence

- emails regarding a barking dog were noted and read by the SB, this issue has previously been investigated by the Town Constable

Announcements

- The next regularly scheduled Selectboard meeting will be held at the Office Complex on Monday, December 1, 2025 at 6:30 pm. John moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 pm, seconded by Roger and unanimously approved

Bills

- signed as presented

Attest

- John Kaeding