

TOWN OF ORFORD

Board of Selectmen

Meeting Minutes

December 22, 2025

MEMBERS PRESENT: Kevin Follensbee, Charles Smith, Jr., Larry Taylor

OTHERS PRESENT: Esther Dobbins-Marsh

Call Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 am

Non-Public Session

A motion was made by Follensbee, seconded by Taylor to enter into non-public session under RSA 91-A:3, II(a) for personnel matters at 10:01 am. A roll call vote of member's present was taken with a decision in the affirmative

The Board resumed the regular meeting at 10:39 am. A motion was made by Smith, seconded by Follensbee to seal the minutes of the nonpublic session. Motion Approved 3/0

Other:

- 2026 Budget
 - Cemeteries - changes were made to reflect the hiring an employee for the 2026 season, along with related expenses, vs hiring a contractor
 - Highway Department – changes were made for hiring a 3rd employee and related expenses
 - Solid Waste Disposal – the Household Hazardous waste expense was added
- 2026 Warrant Articles – added a new article to transfer \$140,089 from the unassigned fund balance into the Road Improvement CRF. These funds are from the NH DOT reimbursement of engineering fees for the Archertown Road over Jacobs Brook bridge project.
- Public Hearing for a Construction Line of Credit – Dobbins-Marsh will contact the bank to obtain information to share regarding the loan, estimated interest rates and the process for borrowing and repayment. This will be discussed at the Public Hearing scheduled for January 20th at 7:00 pm in the Niles Room of the Town Office building.
- East Cemetery – there was concerned expressed at the condition of the fall clean up at the East Cemetery, and the Board feels the contractor should return in the spring to help clean it up. There is also a tree that should be removed in 2025 as the cost was budgeted for.

Public Comments: none

Adjourn

Motion made by Taylor, seconded by Smith to adjourn the meeting. Motion Passed 3/0

The meeting adjourned at 11:30 am

Respectfully Submitted,

Esther Dobbins-Marsh