

Town of Sunderland Selectboard Meeting
Monday October 13, 2025, at 7:00 PM
104 Mountain View Road Sunderland, VT

<u>Members in Attendance:</u> Todd Lawrence Bruce Mattison Marty Nadler Rick Timmerman	<u>Others in Attendance:</u> Sheriff Gulley - Bennington County Sheriff Dept. Captain Harrington - Bennington County Sheriff Dept. Corporal Legacy - Bennington County Sheriff Dept. Rob Zeif - Sunderland Planning Board Michael Perra
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1. Call to Order at 7PM
2. Introduction of Board Members:
Todd Lawrence, Bruce Mattison, Marty Nadler, Anthony Thompson (not present), Rick Timmerman
3. Additions or deletions to the agenda
 - a. Hold off on item number 9 until next meeting
 - b. Discuss the town garage structure review
4. Approval of the minutes from September 22, 2025 Selectboard Meeting and September 29, 2025 Special Selectboard Meeting

Motion to approve the minutes from September 22 and 29

Mover: Rick

Second: Bruce

Result: Pass

5. Public comment
 - a. The road foreman will be addressed in item number 8
6. Bennington County Sheriff Department update: Sheriff Gulley, Corporal Legacy
 - a. Background: Legacy - born and raised in VT, 13th year in Law Enforcement.
Gulley - worked with Legacy for 12 years
 - b. Overtime situation with the Sheriff's Department and the Town: over hours are recorded to the next week as much as possible, other police enforcements are called as backup
 - c. T-Mobile Grant was unsuccessful

- d. \$200,000 Grant application is in progress
- e. Budget estimation for next year may be discussed later in November
- f. Donations to the community:
 - i. Bennington County Coalition for the Homeless: gently used clothes at the drop-off station
 - ii. Wheels For Warmth: gently used tires (at least \$5 per tire), profit goes to those in need of heating oil, October 23-24
 - iii. UCS Headstart: Food and toys distributed to the community in need
- 7. Sunderland Planning Board Town Plan update: Rob Zeif
 - a. October 15, 22, 29: meetings discussing Sunderland safety and other concerns
 - b. November 19: Agenda item will hopefully be ready for discussion
- 8. Highway Liaison Update - Bruce Mattison
 - a. Conditional offers of employment for new Foreman and Road Crew member
- 9. Review and possible adoption of updated Town Personnel Policy: Marty Nadler
- 10. Taconic and Green Warning for non-binding school closure vote on 10/28
- 11. Old Business
 - a. School Closure community forum Tuesday 10/14 6:30 SES
- 12. Review of Correspondence/Signing of warrants
- 13. Executive session:
 - a. The employment or evaluation of a public office or employee per 1 V.S.A. §313(a)(3)

Motion to move into executive session at 8 ? PM

Mover: Todd

Second: Rick

Result: Pass

Motion to come out of executive session at 8:32 PM

Mover: Marty

Second: Rick

Result: Pass

Motion to determine the pay rate for roadcrew at \$27/hr and the roadcrew foreman at \$31/hr, beginning upon hiring for the new workers and upon the next pay period for the existing employee

Mover: Marty

Second: Bruce

Result: Pass

- 14. The next business meeting for the Sunderland Selectboard will be Monday October 27th, 2025 at 7PM.
- 15. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn at 8:35 PM

Mover: Marty
Second: Bruce
Result: Pass