

**Town of Sunderland Selectboard Meeting**  
**Monday October 27, 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> Bryan - New highway Foreman David Kiernan Kim Knapp
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1. Call to Order at 7PM
2. Introduction of Board Members:  
Todd Lawrence, Bruce Mattison, Marty Nadler, Anthony Thompson, Rick Timmerman
3. Additions or deletions to the agenda
  - a. Add two received meeting room requests
  - b. Executive session: forest fire warden candidate
4. Approval of the minutes from October 13, 2025 Selectboard meeting

Motion to approve the minutes from October 13, 2025

Mover: Marty

Second: Rick

Result: Pass

5. Public comment - none
6. Law Enforcement Liaison Update - Rick Timmerman
  - a. The Bennington County Sheriff's Department will be implementing a 5% services budget increase for the upcoming budget cycle
7. Town Forest Fire Warden vacancy and recommendation
  - a. Two candidates are interested, processing for the position to be completed in the future
8. Highway Liaison Update - Bruce Mattison
  - a. New employees have started working
  - b. More information about the bank slides tomorrow
  - c. Look more into maintenance funds for equipment, present quote for equipment replacement and road salt in a future meeting

Motion to authorize Brian to sign for the salt pricing contracts for Eastern and Apalachee

Mover: Bruce

Second: Rick

Result: Pass

- d. Kelley Stand Rd. graveling is completed
- e. Arlington requests assistance with graveling road shoulders using the new device

Motion to authorize Bryan to offer our services to neighboring town in times of need for special projects or emergencies

Mover: Rick

Second: Bruce

Result: Pass

- 9. Revised Town of Sunderland Personnel Policy review and possible adoption of updated Town Personnel Policy - Marty Nadler

Motion to formally adopt the updated Town of Sunderland personnel policy effective on October 27th, 2025

Mover: Marty

Second: Bruce

Result: Pass

- 10. Zoning Administrator update - David Kiernan

- a. Private road curb cuts
- b. STRs
- c. New housing projects will be addressed
- d. Junk ordinance and STR ordinance should be changed to bylaws

- 11. Old Business

- a. Local Hazard Mitigation Plan funding update
- b. Taconic and Green school closure vote on 10/28

- 12. Review of Correspondence/Signing of warrants

- 13. Executive session:

- a. Zoning legal updates 1 V.S.A. § 313(a)(1)(E)
- b. Forest fire warden candidate

Motion to enter executive session at 7:44PM

Mover: Todd

Second: Anthony

Result: Pass

Motion to exit executive session at 9PM

Mover: Marty

Second: Anthony

Result: Pass

Motion that the Town recommends to the state that Keagan Halley be appointed as the Forest Fire warden for the Town of Sunderland

Mover: Todd

Second: Anthony

Result: Pass

Motion to approve the two Sunderland Shine meetings taking place November 4th and 6th in the town office

Mover: Todd

Second: Rick

Result: Pass

14. The next business meeting for the Sunderland Selectboard will be Monday November 10th, 2025 at 7PM.

15. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn at 9:03PM

Mover: Rick

Second: Bruce

Result: Pass