

**Town of Freedom  
Selectmen's Meeting  
Monday, November 24, 2025**

Present: Selectmen Les Babb, Alan Fall, Gary Williams, and Stacy Bolduc, Town Administrator, who recorded the minutes. This meeting was held at the Town Office. Babb called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Present: Rob Cunio, Jamie Mullen, and Alan Libby, Scott Brooks,  
Also present:

**Review of Mail, Sign Manifests, and Approval of Minutes**

**Department Head Update**

**Transfer Station-** Alan L. handed out a paving bid for paving at the transfer station. The board will review the bids for both paving and engineering work later in the meeting.

**Police-** Jamie updated the board that he has been prepping for superior court this past week and attending operations training. The department has also been investigating domestic complaints, which have consumed resources.

**Highway-** Scott reported that Burnham Road reopened Friday. The guardrails still need to be installed. Jersey barriers are in place for now.

**Fire-** Not present

**Town Office-** Stacy reported ongoing budget work. Linda received a proposal from Fidium. Stacy recommended excluding the highway garage in the proposal since it lacks internet access, Scott confirmed he wants to keep the currant cable setup for weather updates.

Stacy attended three webinars website updates and is waiting on feedback from Jeff Nicole.

Jamie noted that Vinnie Vaccaro, will not hold the triathlon next year.

**Minutes-**

**Gary made a motion to accept the minutes with the following correction:**

**The 550 truck is not the vehicle being handed down to the Zoning officer. The discussion was about handing down the pickup truck to the zoning officer.**

**Gary made a motion to approve the minutes and non-public minutes of November 10,17, & 21, motion seconded by Alan; Motion carried.**

## **Budgets-**

**Zoning Officer-** Brian reported minor changes:

- The fuel line decreased, phone line increased. There was a question about what line the phone was being charged to.
- The training line will increase to \$1750.00.
- The computer line increased.
- Linda confirmed that the phone was being charged to the operating line.
- Les told Bryan to let the board know if he needs more money in the training line.

**Police-** Jamie reviewed his budget:

- Part-time line is over due to K-9 training coverage.
- The vehicle repairs line is over because a vehicle had to be taken out of use during pursuit.
- Computer Support- \$500.00 mistakenly added to the computer support; will be moved to Vehicle Maintenance.
- Part-time/overtime lines increased by \$5,200 to cover shifts.
- The insurance line increased to \$ 79,000

**Planning Board-** Linda Mailhot reviewed the Planning Board budget as follows:

- Part-time salaries- Increase to \$1,200
- Postage- decrease to \$1,500. Linda based this number on previous years' postage usage.
- Training - \$300.00. No change
- Notices- \$1,300 based on historical usage.
- Operating- \$400.00. No Change
- Legal- \$4,800

Les asked if applicants are billed when the town attorney is used. Linda said no, but that she is tracking when the attorney is being used. Stacy confirmed they are billed only for third-party reviews.

### **New/ Old Business**

**Fidium-** The board reviewed the Fidium proposal. The rates quoted are good for five years, with a cancellation clause.

**Alan made a motion to sign the Fidium contract for all town properties except the Town Garage located at 58 Loon Lake Rd, motion seconded by Gary; motion carried 2-0-1. Les does not support the proposal.**

Les reported that Jennifer Brown requested permission to accept donations/sponsors' for team t-shirts. The board agreed that donations are allowed but no advertising banners will be displayed at the ball field. The website will be updated to reflect this.

Stacy reported Lindsay found liability waiver. Primex suggested sending the waiver to the town attorney for review. The board agreed.

Stacy will inform Matt Sawyer that Freedom will include cost sharing the fireworks as a warrant article in March.

**Engineering Contract-**

Alan Libby reviewed the history of working with Verdantas (formerly Horizon). Alan reviewed the contract and stated that the proposal has a cost estimate of \$8,850.00 for work that was reportedly already completed. He has no record of them completing any work this past fall. The town also received an invoice for \$12,000 dollars a year after the fact. In light of these differences, Alan L. reached out to CMA Engineers and received a proposal total of \$20,000 for semi-annual inspections and submittal of an annual post-closure report.

Alan noted a level two permit could reduce gas monitoring frequency and no testing needs to be done until this coming spring.

Based on past work history with CMA Engineers, the board elected to award the contract for Post-closure Monitoring, inspections, Reporting and Permitting to CMA.

The engineering line will be \$20,000.

**Alan made a motion for the Chair to enter in an agreement with CMA for transfer station monitoring, motion seconded by Gary; Motion carried.**

Stacy will send a letter to Verdantas informing them of the decision to award the transfer station monitoring to CMA.

**Schoolhouse Hill Project-**

Alan F. updated the board and he sent plans with markups and feedback about petitions at the Masonic Lodge to Beth Miller.

**Public Comment-**

Alan made a motion to enter non-public at 7:50 pm. under RSA 91-A:3, II (C) Reputation, seconded by Gary;

Roll call vote:

Babb-Yes

Fall- Yes

Willaims- Yes

Les made the motion to reconvene the public session, 7:52 p.m. motion seconded by Alan; Motion carried.

The Board reconvened the public session at 7:52 pm.

Shall the minutes be publicly disclosed: NO

If no of the following motion is required:

Motion Alan made by Seconded by Gary

\_\_\_\_\_ Pending litigation.

\_\_\_\_\_ x\_ Affect adversely the reputation of any person other than a member of the board or

\_\_\_\_\_ Render the proposed action ineffective.  
\_\_\_\_\_ Pertain to terrorism.

Alan made a motion to enter non-public at 8:00pm. under RSA 91-A:3, II (C) Reputation, seconded by Gary;  
Roll call vote:  
Babb-Yes  
Fall- Yes  
Willaims- Yes

Les made the motion to reconvene the public session, 8:15 p.m. motion seconded by Alan; Motion carried.  
The Board reconvened the public session at 8:15 pm.

Shall the minutes be publicly disclosed: NO

If no of the following motion is required:

Motion made by Alan Seconded by Gary

Pending litigation.

\_\_\_\_\_ Affect adversely the reputation of any person other than a member of the board or

\_\_\_\_\_ Render the proposed action ineffective.

\_\_\_\_\_ Pertain to terrorism.

Payroll Manifest – week ending –	11/19/2025	Approved
Accounts Payable Manifest – week ending	11/21/2025	Approved
Meeting Minutes	11/17/2025	Approved

**Correspondence**

Abatement Map 60-1-YWI08	Reviewed
Abatement Map 60-1-N45	Reviewed
Abatement Map 60-1-YLA06	Reviewed
Fidium Contract	Signed
Cassandra Closson e-mail	Reviewed
Susan Miller-Goodnow e-mail	Reviewed
Howland Wind Farm Estimate	Reviewed
Legal Inquires	Reviewed
Matt Sawyer email	Reviewed

Being no further input, Fall made a motion to adjourn. Williams seconded. All in favor, the motion passed.  
Adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Stacy Bolduc, Town Administrator

Approved by the Board of Selectmen on \_\_\_\_\_:

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Leslie R. Babb

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Alan G. Fall

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Gary R. Williams



