

TOWN OF SMITHFIELD
Summary of the July 15, 2025
Selectmen's Meeting Minutes

PRESENT:

Rebecca Bright
Julie Steven-Giroux
Justin Furbush

ALSO, PRESENT: Nichole Clark Hans Rasmussen
Tim Covert Bonnie Jones

THIS MEETING WAS TAPED AND THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS A BRIEF SUMMARY.

The summaries of the July 1, 2025 meeting minutes were accepted as typed.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Salt & Sand Shed Door, Fan Louvers, Leaks & Repair PDQ

Justin looked at the vent at the Salt & Sand Shed and said he will put a piece of plywood over it to ensure birds are not using it to enter the shed. No apparent leaks at this time. The AA is still trying to get an estimate from PDQ for the repair needed to the overhead door.

Justin informed the board that he took out the current posts that were in place beside the Salt & Sand Shed prohibiting traffic from entering.

2. Funeral Home Letter

The board reviewed the draft letter to be sent out to local funeral homes indicating the issues being had with grave sites caving in after a burial. Justin Furbush motioned sending the letter. Julie Stevens-Giroux seconded the motion. Motion passed.

3. MSAD/RSU #54 Draft Letter to Moody

The board reviewed the draft letter to Superintendent Moody asking him to communicate with the board about any future plans for a committee to take a look at the district assessment process. Justin Furbush motioned sending the letter. Julie Stevens-Giroux seconded the motion. Motion passed.

4. Ballfield Spray Infield Maintenance Quote

The AA spoke with Jerome Lynch about getting an estimate for spraying the non-turf areas of the ballfield.

5. Fire Department-No one from the department was present at the meeting

a. Rescue Truck Repairs Update

b. Jr Fire Fighter Response from MMA

c. Dry Hydrant at Boat Landing

6. 2022 Foreclosures

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The AA is still in contact with the abutting landowner.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Public Commentary

a. Municipal Officials

The AA sent an inquiry to MMA Legal asking about the policy that should be met when a Municipal Official is no longer a resident of Smithfield before their term is over. The AA is still waiting to hear from MMA.

b. Tiny Home/RV Ordinance

The AA asked if this topic should stay on the agenda or does the board want to take it off. After discussion it was agreed to take the topic off the agenda.

2. Info from TextMyGov

The board reviewed information from TextMyGov about a program that can be used with phones to notify residents of ongoing events, etc. The board agreed that this type of program is not warranted for Smithfield at this time.

3. LVD Tree Removal

Justin received a call from the Road Commissioner, Travis Warren asking Furbush Lawn Care to remove a tree from Lake View Drive near the Village Cemetery that is within the town's road right of way.

4. North Shore Drive Boat Landing Info

The AA informed the board about contacting the IF&W conservation department and having signage put at the North Pond Boat Landing prohibiting swimming in that area. Information on who is responsible for enforcement was also given to the board.

5. FY 2025-26 Mill Rate

The board reviewed the mill rate assessment paperwork from the Assessing Agent. Justin Furbush motioned to accept the mill rate assessment for FY 2025-26 of 14.60. Julie Stevens-Giroux seconded the motion. Motion passed. The board signed the certificates of Assessment to be given to the Tax Collector. The bills will be mailed out on August 4, 2025.

6. Adjourn and Sign Warrant #13-25

Rebecca Bright motioned to adjourn, and sign Warrant #13-25. Justin Furbush seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Information Folder

List of Unfinished Items: 2025

- Municipal Building Gutters-**check with Ron LaPointe**
- Road Commissioner
 - Mt Tom Rd-**Ditch work/7 Lakes Alliance**
 - Miller Lane Driveway Culvert-**Summer 2025**
 - Road List Info Needed-**Need Measurements**
- 2 Foreclosure Tax payment Agreement-**Monthly Until Paid in Full Update**
- 2026 Town Meeting Warrant-**Article to Pave Gravel Section Sand Hill Rd**
- Charter Communications Franchise Agreement-**Sending to Town Attorney**