

**TOWN OF SMITHFIELD**  
**Summary of the September 2, 2025**  
**Selectmen's Meeting Minutes**

**PRESENT:**  
Rebecca Bright  
  
Justin Furbush

**ALSO, PRESENT:** Nichole Clark Meredyth Tuttle  
Travis Warren Bonnie Jones  
Jeremy Norton Louie Batista  
Hans Rasmussen Gary Witham

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

**The summaries of the August 5, 2025 meeting minutes were accepted as typed.**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**1. Salt & Sand Shed Door Repair PDQ**

The AA is still waiting on a repair date.

**2. Fire Department**

**a. Rescue Truck Repairs Update**

The new rescue truck went in for repairs and was completed except for the auto shut off feature. The truck will go in again at some point to get this feature shut off.

**b. Jr Fire Fighter Insurance Info**

The AA gave the board and the FD Officers information from MMA Insurance about Jr Firefighters. The FD will draft a plan and bring it back to the board.

**c. Dry Hydrant at Boat Landing**

This item is still being looked at.

**d. Member Life Insurance**

The AA did some research and the only way for a town employee to receive the life insurance through MMA is to work more than 20hrs weekly constantly. The FD will look for other companies that provide life insurance.

**e. Window for Upstairs Storage**

The FD ordered a window from Hammond for the new storage room upstairs. The department will install the window.

**f. Update on Price Increase for Engine Trucks**

The officers gave the board an updated price on engine/tanker trucks. The item will be discussed at the budget meetings.

**3. 2022 Foreclosures**

**• Belomizi M 9 Lot 15**

This foreclosure is still on hold waiting on the land abutter to respond.

- **McLeod M8 L31-Pd in Full-Sign Quit Claim Deed**

Atom McLeod paid is taxes with the Tax Collector but has not paid the fees associated with the Administration costs. The board agreed to have a letter sent to Mr. McLeod requesting the cost be paid before he is given a quit-claim deed from the town.

Justin Furbush motioned to sign the quit-claim deed for Map 8 Lot 31, 37 Miller Ln. Rebecca Bright seconded the motion. Motion passed.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

- 1. Public Commentary**

- 2. Stephen Shoemaker-Lake View Dr Right of Way-Eagles Nest Campground**

Stephen Shoemaker, a property owner, asked to speak with the board about the Eagle Nest Campground and the right-of-way issue. The AA gave the board documents pertaining to the restrictions for the campground and the right-of-way. Mr. Shoemaker did not attend the meeting.

- 3. East Pond Rd Yellow Line**

The board discussed having the yellow line put on the East Pond Rd. The discussion was about the last one not lasting past the winter. The board wanted to see if a higher mil could be used and/or something different to make it last longer.

- 4. S&S Sand Box Repair**

Justin noticed that the sand box located at the S&S Shed needs repair. Frant Bushey offered to do the repair and Justin will get someone to move some sand away from the walls.

- 5. S&S Shed Inside Lights**

Travis Warren, Road Commissioner asked if the lights in the S&S Shed could be replaced due to poor lighting. The AA will contact the electric company.

- 6. Ordered Salt for 9/15**

The AA updated the board with the delivery date of the first 400 tons of salt to be delivered on 9/15/25.

- 7. Abatement M6 L17-A Admin Error**

Justin Furbush motioned to abate M6 L17-A for an administrative error for the amount of \$2,460.63. Rebecca Bright seconded the motion. Motion passed.

- 8. Capital Reserve Uses**

The board reviewed information about reserve accounts and went over some expenses that can be taken out of the town's Capital Reserve account.

- 9. Skowhegan Savings CD Info**

The Treasurer, Joni Gould, gave the board information on the current balance of the CD at Skowhegan Savings and needed to know if they wanted to keep it in or take it out. The board agreed to keep the CD in for another 6 months to earn interest.

- 10. Basement Old Water Tank System**

The AA spoke with the board about a leak in an old water tank system in the basement. The AA had Evergreen Solutions come take a look. The solution would be to take the three tanks and the injection system out to avoid any more leaking. The estimated price would be \$1,500.00. Justin Furbush motion to have Evergreen Solutions take the water system out for no more that \$1,500.00

## **11. Building Use Application**

### **a. Groves Flat Association Meeting 9/10/25**

Justin Furbush motioned to approve the building use application for the Groves Flat Association. Rebecca Bright seconded the motion. Motion passed.

### **b. SCEMA FEMA Evolving Role Meeting 9/23/25**

Justin Furbush motioned to approve the building use application for the Groves Flat Association. Rebecca Bright seconded the motion. Motion passed.

## **12. MMA Insurance Dividend Payments**

The board was given information pertaining to the yearly insurance dividends the town receives.

## **13. RBC Invoices**

The board went over the current RBC invoices with the Road Commissioner. Details were given on what roads had ditching done, culverts replaced and what roads had grading done. The board discussed projects that would be done this fall.

## **14. Stevens Rd & Bickford Rd Questions**

The AA received complaints on Stevens's road about the ditching and trees growing in them. The AA received complaints from Bickford road residents asking when the grading would be done.

## **15. 2<sup>nd</sup> Selectmen Resignation**

The board received a resignation letter from Julie Steven-Giroux. Justin Furbush motioned to accept the resignation letter from Julie Stevens-Giroux. A discussion about proceeding with filling the seat with a special municipal officers election at the scheduled November 4, 2025 election was agreed. The process was discussed that nomination papers will have to be taken out by any person wanting to be on the ballot. Rebecca Bright seconded the motion. Motion passed.

The board asked if there was any money left in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Selectmen account. The AA reported that there is \$2,250.00 left and the board agreed that can be used to pay the replacement.

## **16. Adjourn and Sign Warrants #16-25 & #17-25**

Justin Furbush motioned to adjourn, and sign Warrants #16-25 & 17-25. Rebecca Bright seconded the motion. Motion passed.

## **Board Notes**

The brief summary of these minutes was amended to accept the changes to new business item 15 to reflect more of the conversation that is on tape.

Rebecca Bright motioned to accept the amendment to the September 2, 2025 meeting minutes.

Justin Furbush seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

