

TOWN OF SMITHFIELD
Summary of the October 7, 2025
Selectmen's Meeting Minutes

PRESENT:
Rebecca Bright
Justin Furbush

ALSO, PRESENT: Nichole Clark Hans Rasmussen
Meredyth Tuttle Tim Covert
Daniel Keay

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

The summaries of the September 16, 2025 meeting minutes were accepted as typed.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. 2022 Foreclosures

•Belomizi M 9 Lot 15

This item was tabled

•Caswell M 8 L14-L2

A certified letter was sent to Melissa Caswell about missed payments on her real estate tax payment agreement with the town.

2. Moonshiners Snowmobile Club Lease

The board reviewed and signed the one-year lease with the Snowmobile Club for storage sheds at the new location beside the parking lot. An article will be presented at the Annual Town Meeting to ask the residents if they approve of the structures location.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Public Commentary

•Sand Hill Rd Trash Being Dumped

A Sand Hill resident informed the board about trash bags being thrown in the ditch on Sand Hill Rd. The board requested the AA call the sheriff's department to have them follow up on the dumping. The resident will send the AA pictures of the area which shows the name of the individual dumping on a piece of mail.

•Invoice for Winter Road Sand

The board reviewed the invoice from Len Poulin Gravel for this years winter sand that was delivered. 112 truckloads with a total of 2,006 yards of sand was delivered at a price of \$10.00 totaling \$20,060.00.

•Old Lights from S&S Shed

Quality Electric changes out the lighting in the Salt & Sand Shed and informed the AA that the old light fixtures were left behind. Justin will pick up the fixtures and bring them to the transfer station.

•Pallet of Water for Drought Emergency

Mercer Emergency Management worked with the Somerset County EMA and received several pallets of bottled water. The Town received one pallet of bottled water and will store it down in the cellar in case any residents are in need.

2. Sexton

Justin had asked the AA to look into the Sexton position term and to see if it could be changed to a three-year term from a one-year term.

The AA received information from MMA Legal about the process to change the number of years an elected officer term is for.

The board will discuss putting an article in the Annual Town Warrant to address the change in some Municipal Officers terms.

3. Cemetery Conveyance Gould Lot #E15 Lary & Erker

Justin Furbush motioned to sign the Cemetery Conveyance for Gould Cemetery lot E15 for Scott Lary & Candace Erker. Rebecca Bright seconded the motion. Motion passed.

4. Email from MSAD #54 Moody About Cost Sharing Committee

The board received a letter from MSAD #54 Superintendent Jon Moody informing the board of a committee that is being formed with three individuals from each district town to meet and discuss a cost sharing option. Rebecca Bright and Nichole Clark will join Dan Frey for the committee to represent Smithfield.

5. Zoom Meetings & In Person Meetings AA

• SCEMA Meeting

The AA hosted a Somerset County Emergency Management informational meeting for updates to the FEMA changes with Emergency Management and relief aid for disasters.

• General Assistance Training Meetings

The AA has a zoom GA training on 10/16/25 and an all day in person GA training on 10/17/25 in Augusta.

6. MDOT Information Upcoming Paving 2026

Gave the board information from MDOT about upcoming paving. The AA submitted a form indicating that the town did not have any underground utilities that would be affected by the work.

7. Delta Ambulance Application Information

The AA gave the board information from Delta Ambulance on their current application to change the type of license the service has. The AA also attended a zoom meeting for the information and gave the board some updated information on budget numbers. The board asked the AA to have the Fire Department officers look into the Redington Ambulance service to see if that is available to consider.

8. MMA Annual Report Competition Results

The towns Annual Town Report for 2024-25 was awarded the “Superior” second place winner for the competition in the 500 to 999 population category.

9. Maine Public Utilities Commission Customer Notice

The AA gave the board information received from Maine Public Utilities Commission about CMP’s request to increase pricing.

10. Building Use Agreement-Fitness Class

The board reviewed a Building Use Agreement from Heather Preston-Weeks to use the meeting room on Wednesday’s for a Fitness Class. Justin Furbush motioned to approve the building use application. Rebecca Bright seconded the motion. Motion passed.

11. Adjourn and Sign Warrants #19-25 & #20-25

Justin Furbush motioned to adjourn, and sign Warrants #19-25 & 20-25. Rebecca Bright seconded the motion. Motion passed.