



Town of Meredith

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**MEREDITH SELECT BOARD
(DRAFT) MEETING MINUTES
At Meredith Community Center
August 24, 2026
4:30 PM**

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairperson Aiken called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

PRESENT:

Steve Aiken, Chair
Jim Gregoire, Vice Chair
Lynn Leighton, Selectperson
Mike Pelzcar, Selectperson
Jeanie Forrester, Selectperson

STAFF PRESENT:

Rachael Bethmann, Administrative Assistant
Krystal Alpers, Director of Parks & Recreation
Mike Harper, Police Chief
Ken Jones, Fire Chief

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Chairperson Aiken led the pledge of allegiance.

AGENDA ITEM 1. MINUTES:

Select Board to consider approving meeting minutes.

Selectperson Leighton makes a motion that the Select Board approve the minutes of August 10, 2026 with some amendments:

Selectperson Forrester – asks to correct the spelling of Labrecque

Selectperson Leighton – asks for clerical errors to be corrected

Line 119 – motion seconded, Line 299 – Director Bordeaux was not in attendance, Line 333/337 – Two T's in Robert, Line 716 – huge "part of raising", Line 770 – correct the date for Old Home Day to September 19th – "use the same truck as last year"

Gregoire - Page 21 – update the “next meeting” date to August 24th, 2026

Gregoire seconded with corrections

Passed Unanimously

Select Board to consider approving non-public meeting minutes.

Voting next meeting

AGENDA ITEM 2. WORKSHOPS:

A. America’s 250th Committee Time Capsule (Chris Kelly)

Chris Kelly, Chair of the 250th Celebration Committee – He started off by thanking by name all the members on the Committee. On August 17th they met to discuss a time capsule that they would like to bury at the Old Home Day to be opened on July 4th, 2076. Location ideas – Community Park, Heskey Park, Garden at the Community Center, and the library lawn. The Committee voted on their potential favorite location being Community Park. They know the activity will be mostly happening on Main St. [on Old Home Day]. He then lists all the items they are brainstorming to add to the time capsule. They would like to add a granite capstone with an engraving, to be flush with the lawn to mark the location.

Selectperson Forrester, 250th Celebration Committee Member - clarifies for the board that their committee came to the meeting tonight asking for permission to have it placed in Community Park.

Consensus from the board that that would be a good location

No vote

Selectperson Leighton, 250th Celebration Committee Member - shares that the cylinder would be engraved with a small note and a Town of Meredith seal.

Chris Kelly reads the proposed engraving out loud.

B. Prescott Park Master Plan Presentation (Director Alpers, Engineers)

Director Alpers – She thanks the board for inviting them to present the proposed Master Plan for Prescott Park. She emphasizes the Committee’s involvement of the community while developing this plan. She is joined by Jeff Highland with Ironwood Design Group, Scott Bourcier with Gale Associates, and Anthony Mento with SMP Architecture. She lets the board know that the Committee is in the stages of finalizing the proposed plan, so that they can move into the next steps of identifying and securing funding. She invites Dan Curnyn, the Chair of the Committee, to speak.

Dan Curnyn, Chair of Prescott Park Committee – Their initial task was to gather as much public information as possible in tandem with Jeff Highland with Ironwood Design. They polled user groups of Prescott Park, the Meredith Community, and carried out walking tours of Prescott Park with the engineers. They believe that once this park is completed, it's going to be a park for all ages. He invites Jeff Highland from Ironwood Designs to speak.

Highland, Senior Landscape Architect with Ironwood Design Group – Thanks Scott Bourcier with Gale Associates, Anthony Mento with SMP Architecture, Thanks the Committee, Retired Parks and Recreation Director Vint Choiniere and current Parks and Recreation Director Krystal Alpers.

They Started off with public outreach, with the participation from community they have been able to figure out their main objectives. They carried out online surveys, in person surveys, and a walking tour of the park. The online survey had 462 responses, 85% were year-round residents. Vehicle parking was the number one concern, there was a high desire for pickleball courts to be set up away from the tennis courts, and the playground was also highly rated. The Playground has already been implemented. Another important detail for the community was a request that the fields, walkways and parking lots have nighttime lighting.

There was also an active user survey for the stakeholder groups, prepared by Gale Associates. As they were collecting the survey information, they also made sure to walk around the park and speak with individuals actively using the park. They used state and town GIS data to create a comprehensive base drawing of Prescott Park. They also documented certain constraints. Hawkins Brook is a very critical component and was recognized as the number one element through this documentation of existing features. They noted all the on-site utilities, box culvert, and the state permitted curb cuts, and the multiple buildings on site. Then they worked with the committee to go through goals and objectives. They went through a whole host of objectives and narrowed them down to achievable goals.

[Prescott Park Master Plan](#) - Power Point of current Master Plan that Jeff Highland walks through with the Selectboard.

Highland, Senior Landscape Architect with Ironwood Design Group – Invites Scott Bourcier with Gale Associates to speak.

Bourcier with Gale Associates – Goes over the parking and vehicle accessibility for the Master Plan. Because of the lack of parking lines in the current parking lot, they are unable to estimate how many vehicles can park there in its current state. They intent to build out the parking lot for the Master Plan with 222 spaces. They will update the dead end with a roundabout.

Mento, SMP Architecture - Tasked with looking at the buildings that are on site. He goes over the repairs and updates needed for Building #2 and Building #3. They would bring them both up to the Energy Code whilst revising the outside and the inside of both

buildings. They would add bathrooms, ADA accessible bathrooms, and an addition to Building #3 for winter storage and work on the Parks and Recreation vehicles. He would like to update the buildings' façades so that they mimic Meredith's unique aesthetic. He praised the buildings for being very solid, just in need of updates and upgrades.

Highland, Senior Landscape Architect with Ironwood Design Group – Opens up the final cost portion of the presentation. The project is over 15+ acres. Prescott Park is unique in that major parks are not typically so close to Towns' downtown areas. Ironwood partnered with PCM Company, a cost estimating company based out of Portland [Maine]. They have approximated this project at \$18.5 million dollars. \$4.5 million of that is contingency and additional design work and what they'll need to put in before they put this project out to bid. Construction itself should cost about \$14 Million. Buildings are estimated at \$1.5 million. The balance of \$12.5 million would be for all the park infrastructure upgrades and updates. The way they arrived at the protentional phases is a few factors, including efficient construction sequencing, understanding the construction process, and community preference. He goes into the potential phasing plan:

Potential Phase 1 – This includes almost the entirety of the lower park area. Parking lots, and the access road to the upper park. It includes ball fields and 1 set of pickleball courts. This completes about 60% of the overall project. It does not include the building renovations, the second set of pickleball courts, or the pavilion. But it does include earthwork and establishing grading.

Potential Phase 2 – This encompasses the building renovations, and the second grouping of the pickleball courts. About 30% of the project.

Potential Phase 3 – Includes the dog park, stormwater treatment of the dog park, and the pavilion. The final 10% of the project.

Phase 1 – \$11.123M

Phase 2 – \$5.561M/ (\$6.395M (2029 dollars))

Phase 3 – \$1.853M/ (\$2.450M (2031 dollars))

He continues that what this phasing doesn't account for is how many years could pass between potential phases. The second costs shown for Phase 2 and Phase 3 account for inflation. Although it is a large price tag, there are benefits of doing it all at once. Because of inflation, the second and third phases could cost 12-15% more over the course of time. He believes if they do it all at once they can manage the safety of guests more efficiently. From a bidder standpoint, they might be more incentivized if it is just one project. He believes if it is done as one single project, they could complete the entire Prescott Park in 1 year, with the possibility of it need an extra season for final landscaping. He believes the fields could be back in use in Spring of 2028 if the construction were to start March of 2027.

Funding opportunities – grants, sponsorships, and Town funding. He knows there were a lot of donors for the Community Center, he believes a similar approach could be made for Prescott Park. Including but not limited to sponsored fields and benches.

He offers up the Final Report both in print form as well as digital forms.

Chairperson Aiken opens the floor to the public.

Carol Gerken, 14 Oak Knoll Rd. – Asks two questions:

1. Is the playground a part of the \$18.5M price tag?

Chairperson Aiken – The playground is paid for.

2. Is the landscaping included in the \$18.5M price tag?

Highland, Senior Landscape Architect with Ironwood Design Group – Yes, the landscaping is included in the overall pricing in the Master Plan. In the Master Plan there are a lot of green circles, those are trees and shrubs. They even have an invasive species management plan for the property. There are a lot of invasive species in the Hawkins Brook corridor, which is very common.

Matt Pierson, 69 Neal Shore Rd. – Wants to know why the pickleball courts are laid out way they are; he estimates that on any given day they will have 16 pickleball players. In the current park they often move back and forth between the current tennis courts modified for pickleball. He notes the pickleball cages in the Master Plan are separated and there is no line of site between them. He believes this takes away people from being able to move between those courts. He wants the pickleball courts completed in one phase so that everyone can be playing at the new courts at the same time. He asks if he heard them say they wanted to move the pickleball courts away from the tennis courts, he believes that is an inconvenience for people who play both tennis and pickleball.

Chairperson Aiken – The basis of having the pickleball courts away from the tennis courts, is so there are designated areas for both sports. They are trying to move them further [from residential areas] as there are noise concerns about pickleball.

Highland, Senior Landscape Architect with Ironwood Design Group – This Master Plan is a revised and refined pass at the configuration. There is still opportunity to move things around. In this version of the plan there is a path connecting the two pickleball courts. There are wetlands buffers for Hawkins Brook which give them space constraints. They are trying to be cognoscente of environmental concerns. He explains there may be opportunity to shift them a little bit for the next round of the Master Plan.

Eilene Harris – lived in Meredith for 45 years, now in Center Harbor. She was in the original group for the upper fields and the Meredith Community Center. She shares that the current parking lot was the town dump, which is why it sinks. She says the state made it a big issue that nothing could be built on it, during her time working on Prescott Park. They also had constraints about building near Hawkins Brook due to a prior Town Manager that did things without permission from the state. She congratulates the team for all the good work they have put in with the planning of Prescott Park. She says it's a bargain.

Rick DeMark, 114 Chase Rd. – Shares that in the spring of 2024 he was assisting with the farmers market for Meredith. He was told at the time about the upcoming Master Plan, and that [the Town] did not want to make an obligation for the farmers market at the time. They ran [the farmers market] from 2024-2025. He would like to ask if there was a multi-use area available to citizens and groups. He was a part of the original dyke dike project at Hawkins Brook/Prescott Park in the mid-90s. He asks if that dyke dike still a functional asset with this design? [The word dyke (also spelled dike) comes from the Old English noun *dīc*, which originally meant a trench, ditch, or moat before the year 900.]

Highland, Senior Landscape Architect with Ironwood Design Group - There are a couple places that could work for the farmers' market. The Pavilion, or they close off a portion of the parking lot.

Chairperson Aiken The road in front of the park could also be used.

Highland, Senior Landscape Architect with Ironwood Design Group – Explains that Hawkins Brook flooding was taken into consideration. They are planning to build with the intent that things could be flooded. This master Plan has not completely vetted for all the materials they will use.

Rick DeMark, 114 Chase Rd. Offers the hydrology of why the dyke was built there.

Highland, Senior Landscape Architect with Ironwood Design Group Thanks him for that.

Ann Sprague, Circle Dr. – Asks them to expand on the use of synthetic turf, where and how much?

Bourcier with Gale Associates – Explains that grass fields need rest after extensive use. Typically, every 200 uses the fields need to rest to regrow. There are pros and cons for both synthetic and real fields. Grass is cost-effective to install, but it comes with maintenance. Synthetic is more expensive upfront but needs no upkeep. During their polling they learned that the Upper Fields would be used more by the Middle/High School and for Adult Recreational teams on a more consistent basis. This is where they plan for the synthetic grass. The Lower Fields will be all real grass, for children's recreational teams, used on a less consistent basis.

Chairperson Aiken – If you practice on grass and then play on turf, it's a very different experience. Practicing on turf and then playing on turf will be better for the student athletes.

Bourcier with Gale Associates – All high schools, and higher-level soccer teams are playing on turf.

Sue Mangers, Village Dr. – The buildings down by the children’s playing area. One used to be able to serve food. Will that still be an option?

Mento, SMP Architecture – The renovation of Building #2 could serve as a concession stand, but that is not its primary use. The long-term goal is to have the pavilion to be open and accessible for concessions.

Chairperson Aiken – The window on that [building] faces the skate park, and that doesn’t allow families to watch their children’s games.

Selectperson Forrester – She brings up the fact that they talked about invasive species, have they done any cost estimating what it will take to maintain the park on an annual basis. Maintenance costs? When can we anticipate that?

Highland, Senior Landscape Architect with Ironwood Design Group – No they have not ~~don’t done~~ the maintenance projection. Mainly because there are many details that still need to be worked out. In the next phase of design, they would be able to do that with better accuracy.

Selectperson Forrester – States that they talked about the Land and Water Conservation Fund. And tells everyone to know that if they used that, there would be Federal ties. She asks **Director Alpers** in the audience if they used that fund for Prescott Park already. **Director Alpers** shakes her head no. She continues that although they spoke about bringing the building **up to** Energy Code, she did not see any opportunities for energy grants.

Mento, SMP Architecture – There are grants for that, and there are organizations they can collaborate with to tackle getting the money to offset those costs. [The town] already has a solar array on top of Building #2 and they would look to add more solar to Building #3. They will investigate those costs, but they are still in the preliminary stage.

Selectperson Forrester – Congratulates the amazing job of the Committee, and thanks Retired Parks and Recreation Director Vint Choiniere and current Parks and Recreation Director Krystal Alpers. Ask²s for a copy of the presentation.

Selectperson Leighton – Thanks the Committee and the team of Engineers. Speaks on how grateful Chairperson Aiken and she is for getting to participate.

C. Police Fire Suppression System Repair (Chief Harper)

Chief Harper - Request \$6,500 from the Building and Maintenance Expendable Trust that currently has a balance of \$162,762. The money will be used for the station Fire suppression system, which is 20 years old, but it is in critical state. A Dry Pipe Valve (DPV) is a critical component of the system because it controls the release of water into the sprinkler system

when a fire occurs. A faulty DPV could delay or prevent the sprinkler system from functioning when needed and could be a life-safety concern.

Chairperson Aiken – Is there anything else that needs to be fixed?

Chief Harper The PD recently updated a switch that needed to be replaced, and eventually the cast iron pipes that house the fire suppressant system will need to be replaced, but as of right now they have no other imminent concerns from the company they are working with.

Selectperson Forrester This is a life safety concern? I am ready to make a motion.

Chief Harper Yes, it is a life safety concern, and I have a motion ready to go.

Selectperson Pelczar moves that Chief Harper use \$6,500 from the Buildings and Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund to remove, dispose and replace a dry pipe valve for the sprinkler system for the sprinkler system at the Police Department.

Selectperson Leighton Seconds

Passes Unanimously

Chairperson Aiken asks Manager Milner if they currently have any other funds coming out of that Trust Fund, and **Manager Milner** says not that she is aware of.

D. Highway Safety Grant (Chief Harper)

Chief Harper – The Police Department annually applies for and receives grant funding from the New Hampshire Highway Safety Agency. This grant supports several critical enforcement initiatives, including Speed Enforcement, Pedestrian Contact efforts, DUI Enforcement, and Distracted Driving (specifically texting while driving). He has submitted the application and has received confirmation from the State. The total grant amount being offered for 2027 is \$10,300, which includes a required town match of \$2,575—an arrangement consistent with last year's funding. They have applied for these grants for 15 years.

Selectperson Forrester moves that the Selectboard authorize a public hearing pursuant to RSA 31:95-B to decide to accept unanticipated revenue in the amount of \$10,300 in grant funds from the Department of Safety for traffic enforcement initiatives.

Selectperson Pelczar seconds

Passes Unanimously

Selectperson Leighton passes an envelope to Chief Harper for a Cornhole competition.

AGENDA ITEM 3. BUSINESS:

A. WWAC Watershed Application –

Donna Murphy, Chair of Waukegan Watershed Advisory Committee – The grant project is to mitigate the two most egregious Water Quality Pollution Sites on Lake Waukegan. These sites are identified in the 2026 Waukegan Watershed Revision NHDES grant.

Site 1 – Town Boat launch/ramp, adjacent public park, adjacent waterfront, vegetation and rip-rap shore front. Test Results exceed State Maximums, worsening each year for the past ten years, adjacent to the Town Water Dept. intake pipe.

Site 2 – Forrest Hill Rd. phosphorous pollutant site.

She lets the Selectboard know NHDES Requests a Letter of Commitment from Town Select Board, to Address the Required Match. They are also anticipating letters of Commitment requested from Water Dept and DPW, to address match offset contributions to the required match, letters of Commitment to be submitted by Windy Waters Conservancy, regarding Lake Hosts and kiosk maintenance, letter of Commitment to be offered by WWAC; offering time required and volunteer Committee time, budgetary support (grant application preparation and creation). Existing contracts with **Forrest Bell Environmental Associates (FBE)**, subsequently supporting NHDES Source Water Protection grant application to be submitted in November.

This grant allows for both cash & in-kind matches. WWAC expects the match to be in-kind. Intent to apply is due on 9/11/26. She explains that this grant is a result of the lake management plan grant and will lead to further grants for mitigation/construction of the project. They plan on applying for another source water grant that is due in November. They are anticipating a grant request of about \$100,000.

Chairperson Aiken They pushed this ahead of the workshop portion because of date requirements. They have used this grant before.

Selectperson Gregoire – He understands that they want the support of the Selectboard, what exactly will be done to mitigate the pollution?

Frank Murphy, WWAC - They are waiting on the 10% concept design from the Engineering firm. They are hoping to design it for mitigation of the runoff pollution at those sites. They met with Craig Hale, he is working on “best practices” to start addressing the 77 sites that contribute to the phosphorous pollution around the lake. They are hoping to sequence these grants to expedite the many steps of the probable year and a half process.

Selectperson Forrester – They are correct in saying that normally they would have a

workshop and then put it on the business portion of the meeting. She recognizes that WWAC are at every Selectboard meeting and feels they already have given their workshop. She really appreciates all the work WWAC does for Meredith's water quality.

Tom Hughes, 65 Forrest Hill Rd. – How did this specific point of that hill get picked out? There are many places that wash out during large storm events. Lower portion of Forrest Hill Rd. He wants to know why that one spot was picked?

Frank Murphy – The chosen site is one of 77, it was identified as the worst runoff around the lake. They wanted to start to address the phosphorous pollution while also working on the boat ramp. By bundling those two issues they had a better chance of receiving a little more money from the grant, and possibly help them receive the grant.

Selectperson Leighton moves that the Meredith selectboard support the NHDES 319 Watershed Assistance Grant application to mitigate the Town Boat Ramp, Adjacent Waterfront & Adjacent Park site as well as the Forrest Hill Road site on Lake Waukegan and authorize, Judie Milner, Town Manager, to sign the letter of commitment and other grant documents for the application on behalf of the Town of Meredith.

Selectperson Gregoire Seconds

Passes Unanimously

B. Stewart's Ambulance Agreement (Chief Jones)

Chief Jones – They asked for another 30-day extension on 8/26/2026, and Chief Jones received an updated contract earlier that same day (day of this meeting). He asks the board to postpone this vote until the September 13th meeting.

Selectperson Forrester – Knows that they had to put \$250,000 into a fund. Will they need to add anything else to that?

Chief Jones - That is to be held within each town for certain circumstances, including a 25% increased load for Stewart's at any given time.

Manager Milner – Meredith didn't put the whole \$250,000 they only put \$100,000-\$150,000 into that fund, so a warrant article will need to be brought to the Selectboard for the remaining funds to be added to that account.

Selectperson Forrester – went by the 9/11 Memorial and it looks amazing.

Chief Jones – The memorial has far exceeded his expectations and thanks all the people who donated. He is hoping to set up an account for the donations that continue to come in, so that the memorial can be maintained for years to come. He continues to ask some clarifying questions about reimbursement policies and grant policies for the Fire

Department.

Manager Milner – The board can accept up to \$9,999/year in grant funding without a public hearing.

C. Financial Report – Informational only

[July Revenue and Expense Reporting](#)

AGENDA ITEM 4. TOWN MANAGER’S REPORT:

Town Offices closed on September 7th

Shares her condolences with the entire community over the passing of Charlie St. Clair, the longtime Executive Director of Laconia Bike Week. He will be missed.

Congratulations to Meredith PD, Stewarts ambulance, and Meredith FD. Cone with a cop was a huge success with over 457 cones passed out.

Director Alpers has joined LRPC Bike & Pedestrian Subcommittee

Manager Milner thanks Wamesit Engine Company, the volunteers, and Selectperson Leighton for helping raise the funds for the 9/11 memorial. The groundwork is underway; the governor has confirmed she is speaking at the event and we have raised the funds for the entire project. WMUR is expecting to do a special on 9/11 projects throughout the state to air on 9/10 ahead of the ceremonies and a walkthrough of the ceremony is expected to happen on 9/9 to prepare for the event.

Paying Class study – will have the end product by the end of September.

Retaining wall fence has received one quote - \$14,000, hoping for a lower cost from the other two that Director Hale is exploring.

Would the board like to see a Space needs workshop for the employees of the Town?

Selectperson Pelczar – yes, and I also kinda think that forming a committee that I would love to be on, obviously DPW Director Hale maybe even Jonathan [Trull, Code Enforcement] because he has the code knowledge. But yeah absolutely, I think that idea that Craig had about that building is worth looking into seriously.

The Selectboard agrees on a committee

House Bill 340 was unfortunately signed by the Governor into law – waiting for guidance from NHMA and Primex. No one can recommend anything to the board anymore, as it is now considered electioneering. Manager Milner has taken the recommendation section off all agenda reports.

<https://legiscan.com/NH/text/HB340/id/3406107>

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479 Breezeline franchise agreement renewal will be coming soon. It will be coming to the board
480 at the next meeting, and they will need to set a public hearing for the following meeting
481 date.

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483 Columbus Day falls on the Selectboard Meeting, asks the board if they would like to cancel
484 or reschedule it. She reminds them of the Town Administrator/Town Manager style of
485 Government workshop is already an additional meeting to be held on October 19th.
486 **Selectboard decides to cancel the October 12th meeting.**

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488 Capital Improvement Spreadsheet will be to the board for the 9/14 and 9/28 meetings – CIP
489 will meet soon after that. Wants to get it to the board before those meetings.

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491 Waukegan Dam Canal Project – Have there been any questions from the public to the
492 Selectboard, and do we need to run another session on that?

493 **No**

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495 Route 25 pedestrian crossing – Hale reached out to Former Director Faller for clarifying the
496 signage for the yellow and red lights.

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498 2026 Parking Pilot Program – finding out what they can or cannot do with that area as its
499 from the Land and Water Conservation Fund – the team is going to be able to bring to the
500 board a few options on how to reconfigure that area.

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502 **Selectperson Forrester** – Land and Water Conservation Funds, she just wants to be really
503 careful applying for something that constrains us in the future.

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505 **AGENDA ITEM 5. VISITOR AND RESIDENT COMMENTS:**

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507 **Chairperson Aiken opened the floor for public comments.**

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509 **There was no public comment.**

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511 **AGENDA ITEM 6. SELECT BOARD REPORTS AND COMMENTS:**

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513 **Selectperson Pelczar**

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515 [mic off] No comment

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517 **Selectperson Forrester**

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519 **Selectperson Forrester**- Yes, I did forward the email to Judie (Manager Milner), I just
520 wanted to confirm that you got that email about the train horn. **Manager Milner** I did.

521 **Selectperson Forrester** So you are looking into that? **Manager Milner** I absolutely will.

522 **Selectperson Forrester** And then, I think we did receive an email about crosswalks over by

Pleasant St. And then I saw your email, and I said the same thing to the lady that she should come to the meeting tonight. But if she couldn't, I'm sure we could talk about this. Not the signal, people being aggressive with their driving and feeling unsafe. So, I don't know what you do about that. I don't know if you want to speak with her.

I also want to say I was very sad to learn about Charlie [St. Cloud's] passing. He was an icon, so we are going to miss him. That's all.

Selectperson Leighton

Selectperson Leighton Just to expand a little on what Jeanie's talking about. There is a community member who has a family property on Pleasant St., she walks a lot, and its the crosswalk, I think the Pleasant St. crosswalk and the crosswalk to go over to Hannaford's is what the issue is. So, can we just enter this into the record. Because I think that's what we probably should do about and however that will be addressed through you and the Chief.

Manager Milner asks Selectperson Leighton that she shares the email.

Selectperson Leighton The other thing is that I know Chief Jones talked about the Knox Box for the STR and so not that she needed to do this, but I said oh my gosh I think [the cost of the Knox Box] is a lot for a residential one, the \$500, I think that might scare people. So you can do a wall-mount from Knox Box which is actually approved by the Meredith FD. And they start at like \$227 So I just wanted to kinda share that. I'm a true believer in the Knox Box.

September 11th, 2026 - Ceremony for 9/11 Memorial, the Street Dance, and the lighting at the Highschool for the first home football game, and a dedication. It's a busy day.

Vice Chair Gregoire

Selectperson Gregoire – They received an email about a hateful sticker on Town Property that was removed by DPW. Thanks, DPW for removing it, [inaudible] and hopes we don't see anything else like that in town.

Chairperson Aiken

I am a part of the Chamber for Meredith and this past weekend we had our, the Fine Arts and crafts festival. I want to say that we probably could have used PD assistance with traffic on Saturday. It was probably the largest attendance I have seen in the past decade. The numerous vendors we spoke to said it was a marvelous event and they loved coming to Meredith. So, thank you to the Chamber for putting that together and all the participants who came down and shopped in town.

AGENDA ITEM 7. NONPUBLIC SESSION:

Motion – Chairperson Aiken moved that there is a need for a non-public session per RSA 91-A:3, II (a) The dismissal, promotion, or compensation OR the disciplining/investigation of charges against a public employee, UNLESS the employee affected (1) has a right to a meeting and (2) requests that the meeting be open. Motion seconded by Vice Chair Gregoire.

Roll Call Vote:

Chairperson Aiken	yes
Vice Chair Gregoire	yes
Selectperson Leighton	yes
Selectperson Pelczar	yes
Selectperson Forrester	yes

MOTION PASSED.

The Selectboard entered into a non-public at 6:36pm

The Selectboard entered back into a public meeting at 6:59pm

The meeting adjourned at 7:01 p.m.

***Next meeting will be held on September 14, 2026**

Respectfully submitted,

Rachael Bethmann, Administrative Assistant
Town of Meredith