

Monday, July 20, 2026 @ 6:30 PM
Regular Session
Dalton Select Board Meeting

Meeting called to order at 6:31pm by Jo Beth. Select Board members Jo Beth Dudley and Warren Green were present. Meeting available for public viewing via Zoom.

Public attendees: None. Via Zoom: None.

The board signed accounts payable and payroll checks. Warren mentioned the illegible sections of the highway department timesheets. Jeanette stated that she had made new ones previously. She would provide them to Adam for future use. Jo Beth asked if the Dept. of Labor invoice should be discussed in nonpublic. Jeanette stated it's not a bad idea.

Jeanette provided the new sewer warrant. The cost increased almost 90% for Dalton residents who have the sewer service. Lunenburg, provider of the sewer service to 28 residents in town, never responded to multiple inquiries for the rate increase cause and exact amount. Due to the large increase, Jo Beth suggested allowing payment plans for the bill without interest being charged. An initial 6-month term was proposed; however, a new invoice will be issued in approximately 3 months. The 3-month payment term was motioned. The tax collector can forgive interest under \$5.00. Anything more than that amount must be forgiven by the select board through an abatement. Jo Beth motioned for Jeanette to draft a note to be included with the sewer tax bills giving residents the option of paying their invoice in installments over three months without interest. Warren provided a second and approval reached through roll call vote.

Jeanette provided a cemetery deed. Jo Beth motioned to execute the deed. Warren provided a second. Approval via roll call vote.

Two gravel warrants were provided for execution. One warrant was merely for dooming of the warrant signed at the last meeting. Late excavation reports allow municipalities to charge double taxation.

The meeting minutes from June 25, 2026 were provided for review and approval. Warren motioned for approval with Jo Beth providing a second. Approval via roll call vote.

The nonpublic meeting minutes for session 1 were provided for review and approval. Warren motioned for approval with Jo Beth providing a second. Approval via roll call vote.

The meeting minutes from July 6, 2026 were provided for review and approval. Warren motioned for approval including one minor spelling error correction, with Jo Beth providing a second. Approval via roll call vote.

The nonpublic meeting minutes for sessions 1, 2, 3, and 4 were provided for review and approval. Warren motioned for approval with Jo Beth providing a second. Approval via roll call vote.

Jeanette provided the employee change form to the board for signature for Michael Carrier's pay increase as discussed and approved during our previous meeting.

Jeanette provided the trustee of the trust funds reimbursement request for \$39,760 for reimbursement to the general funds for the reclaiming and repaving of the municipal parking lot, from the Paving Capital Reserve Fund. Jo Beth motioned for approval with Warren providing a second. Approval via roll call vote.

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The moisture issue in municipal building is set to be remedied starting Friday, July 24th.

A select board goal for the year, reviewing and updating town policies, will be postponed due to the absence of one board member. Warren would like all members to be present for input into the process. Jo Beth agreed.

Jeanette provided an update on the meeting she and Warren had with Under Canvas. Under Canvas has agreed to cover the expense for the traffic signs the highway department will be adding to Blakslee and Big Hill Roads. The truck delivering on Blakslee Road, obstructing traffic flow, was due to the delivery driver's inability to traverse the area provided by Under Canvas. They will discuss this with the vendor. Payments to the transfer station will be made the week following the service date at the transfer station. They will pay at the office with cash or a check. The Under Canvas signs are in production and will be installed upon delivery.

The two projects previously submitted in 2024 to the North Country Council for NH DOT's 10-year transportation improvement plan were resubmitted for 2026.

The conservation commission, planning board, and host community agreement committee had no update.

The building committee met in July with two work days. Pressure washing was completed on the lower section of the back-side of the building. The kitchen overhang was partially demoed with reconstruction forthcoming in the next month or so.

The transfer station committee meets again on Monday, July 27, 2026, at 5:30pm. The Brian Patnoe report from his site visit at the last meeting will be reviewed and discussed.

Jeanette is researching grant opportunities for a transfer station scale.

The highway truck grant application will be presented on the July 29, 2026, to the executive council committee meeting.

Jeanette has started preparing invoices for reimbursement from FEMA for 2026 repair and mitigation work on the roads from the July 2024 flood. Work is progressing with ditching and riprap installation on Blakslee, Union, and Harriman Roads as well as headwall installation on Blakslee.

The board reviewed options for mileage reimbursement for truck and dump-trailer use by Transfer Station Employees. Jo Beth motioned to reimburse for the trailer at the median of the IRS range, currently \$0.74/mile, and the truck at the IRS rate, currently \$0.73/mile. Warren seconded the motion with approval via roll call vote.

Jo Beth motioned to enter nonpublic session at 7:23pm for personnel, legal and personal. Warren provided a second with approval via roll call vote.

Jo Beth motioned to re-enter public session at 7:41pm. Warren provided a second with approval via roll call vote.

Jo Beth motioned to seal nonpublic sessions 1, 2, and 3. Warren provided a second with approval via roll call vote.

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Jeanette asked about a possible town right of way/set-back violation and who should be contacted. The planning board would be responsible. Jeanette will provide the details to the planning board via email. Jo Beth stated the information on regulations is in the town's subdivision regulations.

Jo Beth motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:45pm. Warren provided a second with approval via roll call vote.

Minutes Respectfully submitted by Jeanette Charon.

Minutes Approved On: 8/3/26 (date)

Jo Beth Dudley

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Eric Moore

Warren Green

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