

**Town of Weld**  
**Select Board Meeting Minutes**

**Location:** Weld Town Office, 23 Mill Street, Weld, Maine (Multi-Purpose Room)

**Date and Time:** Tuesday, October 14, 2025 @5:30PM

**The Town of Weld Select Board meetings are open to the public for observation.**

**Call Meeting to Order Pledge of Allegiance Roll Call**

**Quorum Met – Lisa Miller, Steve Conant & Dina Walker**

**(Determination of Quorum) Executive Sessions – None**

**Recognitions Appointments**

○ Public Access Officer – Some discussion process - Lisa Miller moved to appoint Dina Walker as Public Access Officer with a second from Steve Conant, unanimous vote.

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. Minutes of Previous Meeting and Communications: September 9, 2025

Steve Conant moved to accept the September 9<sup>th</sup> minutes with the changes, a second from Lisa Miller and a unanimous vote.

2. Chair/Administrator's Report (including Department Reports)

There will be a Referendum Election on November 4<sup>th</sup>, time, place, etc. are on the website.

3. Treasurer's Report

Budget Committee will be meeting at the beginning of November to start the budget process for 2026. All of the Department Heads have received their budget request forms from the treasurer. They are requested to pass them back in to the treasurer who will update the request form and pass it on to the Budget Committee. Their meetings are open to the Public and all of the meetings will be published on the website.

Lisa Miller reported that Comprehensive Plan Committee have been working on the Survey that will be going out in January.

Commercial Site Plan Ordinance and the Animal Control Ordinance will also be discussed at the public meeting in January.

Transfer station - Archies Inc was not bought out by Casella, but a company from Long Island. We may not have a contract however; we have been paying Archies. Steve said that they are going by J & J Disposal and he plans on talking with Judy for more information.

#### 4. Potential Monetary Contribution from Mystic Tie Lodge #154 towards Town Hall Electrical Wiring Upgrade

Steve Conant reported that a quote from Sterling Electric had been received in the amount of \$4,100 and they would like to start 6 days from now and need to receive one half down and the Mason's will reimburse the Town. Receptacles, knob and tube wiring, and light fixtures will be replaced.

Steve Conant moved to go forward with the electrical work at the Town Hall 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lisa Miller and was unanimous.

#### 5. Potential Monetary Contribution from private donation and Peter Schofield Foundation towards heat pump installation to Town Hall and Town Office.

Several years ago, heat pumps were looked into for the Town Hall, it was not feasible because of the size of the building, but the Town Office is possible. We do have money in the building maintenance account so the Town could pursue without the donation.

Lisa said that she felt if a private individual wanted to contribute a portion towards the cost of the heat pump installation, along with the Peter Schofield Foundation, then we should accept their donation.

Ask for an estimate of the cost and if the private individual would cover whatever the Schofield Grant didn't then we should accept their generosity.

Dina will make contact with them and ask them to proceed with an acknowledgement that they will cover the balance after the Schofield Grant.

**Accept Donations** – August 13 to date. Steve Conant moved to accept a cash donation of \$233 for Weld Recreation, Lisa Miller 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it was passed unanimously. Steve Conant moved to accept in kind donation of \$1,223 for Weld Recreation from September 10th which Lisa Miller 2<sup>nd</sup> and the motion was passed unanimously. Steve Conant moved to accept in kind donations for Weld Recreation from October 5th in the amount of \$988 which Lisa Miller 2<sup>nd</sup> and the motion was passed unanimously.

An article will be place in the warrant at the Annual Town Meeting to accept or reject in kind donations.

Town Hall well – Individuals have asked if the water is potable. The Town has had the well water tested and it is potable safe for drinking.

**FEMA** – Lisa reported that about ten days ago we received another check from MEMA in the amount of \$5,565.08 which was not expected.

Lisa and Colleen had a zoom meeting with MEMA this week to better understand what we could do with the money received.

Lisa reported that we have received to date \$572,456.42 from MEMA and FEMA.

There is a rate usage for each piece of equipment for the entire project. The totals for each piece of equipment will go into the credits for vehicle maintenance and repair. The total amount will stay in the accounts (will not lapse into surplus at the end of the year) for 2026 and 2027 until FEMA does their final closeout. When they see that the work has been done and they are satisfied with our documentation, which might be 2027, then it will roll over into surplus at the end of that year. Payment for wages will be added to that line item and will lapse into surplus at the end of the year. It was verified with FEMA that if a plow truck breaks down or cutting edges are needed that the money received from them can be used for this purpose.

### **Stockpile bids –**

Cousineau – \$14.80 800 yards

Pratt & Son - \$15.60 800 yards

Roland Tyler - \$16.24 800 yards

Lisa Miller moved to accept Scott Pratt and Sons Bid of \$15.60 per yard for 800 yards. Steve Conant 2<sup>nd</sup> the vote and it was passed unanimously.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

1. Town Employees Job Description Update Project – We are looking at 2 employees retiring at the end of 2026.

The job descriptions need to be updated and add them to the ones that we have. Dina GG – Lisa PW and FD – Steve Transfer Station

Job descriptions need to be updated and a rough draft ready for the November 18<sup>th</sup> meeting.

### **MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS**

**Next Selectboard Meeting Date and Time:** Proposed – Tuesday, November 11, 2025 (Veterans Day) or Tuesday, November 18, 2025

### **PUBLIC COMMENT (15 mins) ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned: Steve moved to adjourn at with Lisa 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion 6:30 PM, so moved unanimous.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carol J. Cochran