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## **BOS – Minutes – 1.5.2026**

The Board of Selectmen Regular Meeting minutes of January 5, 2026.

**Present:** Curtis Rand, First Selectman; Barrett Prinz, Selectman; Katherine Kiefer Selectman; members of the press and public.

The meeting was **called to order** at 5:00pm.

K. Kiefer made a motion to **approve the agenda**. B. Prinz seconded, and the motion was approved unanimously.

K. Kiefer made a motion to **approve the minutes** of the December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025. B. Prinz seconded, and the motion was approved unanimously.

### **New Business:**

a. The Selectmen welcomed our new Resident Trooper, Ryan Cooper.

### **Old Business:**

Plans and discussion of 2026 issues:

- 2026 Property Revaluation: The revaluation performed by eQuality is reaching its final stages. The Board noted that many property owners should expect a rise in assessments, reflecting market shifts since the last 2020 revaluation. The finalized Grand List is expected by the end of January. The Board noted that an increase in property valuations will probably result in a lowering of the mill rate.
- 2026-2027 Budget: Department heads have received their budget letters and are currently drafting proposals for the upcoming fiscal year.
- Solid Waste
  - Town Meeting: Proposed ordinances related to these waste management changes are slated for a February Town Meeting, with a goal of joining the Northwest Resource Recovery Authority (NRRRA) as a public option for solid waste management at the Torrington Transfer Station.
- Affordable Housing Developments: Housing remains a top priority with several projects hitting key milestones:
  - Holley Place: Construction is on track to begin in early 2026.
  - The two homes on Undermountain Road and Perry Street : These units are complete with families already in the application/purchase pipeline.
  - Bostwick Street: Funding efforts have begun to help with the renovation of this apartment building
- Traffic, Safety & Pedestrian Infrastructure
  - Significant state funding and local planning are being directed toward making the town more walkable:
  - Route 44 Pedestrian Tunnel: Salisbury School is advancing plans for an underground tunnel beneath Route 44 to connect the main campus to its athletic fields. If approved, the town would eventually take over ownership under requirements of the State DOT, but the Town and the School are working on documents that shift responsibility for all future management and construction to the school.
  - Sharon Road (Route 41) Sidewalk: Supported by a state grant, a new sidewalk will hopefully connect The Hotchkiss School to Lakeville village.
  - Speed Enforcement: The Selectmen are discussing ways to lower speeds, which may eventually include signs capable of issuing tickets to address ongoing safety concerns.

- Recreation & Historic Preservation
  - Community Field & Trotta Field: Discussions continue regarding moving the Community Field tennis courts off of Aquarion Water Company property; the Town received a STEAP grant for this project to fund one of the courts.
  - CNE Railroad Station (Lakeville Train Station): A condition assessment has been completed and a bidding package is being prepared, with an eventual goal of moving the historic building back from the street while preserving its architectural integrity.

**Adjourn:** 5:42pm