

Select Board Meeting Minutes
September 17, 2025

Present: Heather McElroy, Mike Testut, Bill Hawkins, Bruce Webster, and Teresa DeBonville.

Attending virtually: Joel Cope.

Heather McElroy called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance.

Update Agenda: Personnel Policy, Beavers.

Public comment: None.

Adoption of Water System Upgrade Bond Resolution: Heather McElroy asked for a motion to adopt the following resolution: That the public interest and necessity demand certain improvements be made, namely, water system improvements, including refurbishing and replacing aging water treatment equipment at the town's water treatment plants and the source transmission line to the south plant, at an estimated cost on Nine Million Six Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$9,600,000.00) and be it further resolved, that the cost of completing the town's share of acquiring such water improvements, after application of available state and federal grants-in-aid, and the application of available reserves, will be to great to be paid out of the annual revenue of the town; and be it further resolved, that a proposal for the issuance of general obligation bonds or notes of the town in an amount not to exceed Nine Million Six Hundred Thousand Dollars(\$9,600,000.00)to pay for its cost of the same, subject to reduction through the receipt of any state or federal grants-in-aid and other financial assistance, should be submitted to the legal voters for the town at the special meeting thereof to be duly called and held for that purpose on November 4, 2025; and be it further resolved, that all acts relating to the proposition of incurring indebtedness and the issuance of general obligation bonds or notes of the Town of Brighton for the purpose of acquiring and operating said improvements within and around the corporate limits of the town be in accordance with the provisions of Chapters 53,89,95,101, and 120

of Title 24, Vermont State Annotated; be if further resolved, that the attached warning and ballot be adopted for use in connection with consideration of the above stated proposition of making said public improvements and incurring bonded indebtedness therefor. Bill Hawkins motions to adopt the resolution. Mike Testut seconds the motion all in favor so carried.

Declaration of official intent of the Town of Brighton to reimburse certain expenditures from proceeds of indebtedness: A motion to adopt the Declaration of Official Intent of the Town of Brighton to reimburse certain expenditures from proceeds of indebtedness with regard to the construction of water system improvements to be considered at a special meeting thereof to be called and held on November 4, 2025, was made by Mike Testut. Bill Hawkins seconds the motion, all in favor, so carried.

Pay Orders: The board reviewed and signed the pay orders for the road department and the general expense account.

Approve minutes of the previous meeting: The board reviewed the minutes from the September 3, 2025, meeting. A motion was made by Mike Testut to approve the minutes as printed. Bill Hawkins seconds the motion, all in favor, so carried.

Beavers: Heather informed the board that the beavers are being a nuisance and causing problems on a town road, so the board agreed to contact a local resident to wrangle the beavers up.

Personnel Policy: Heather informed the board that she would like to tackle a couple sections of the Personnel Policy at each meeting. She gave the members of the board some paperwork to review on Comp Time, and bereavement leave. The board will review and bring any questions and concerns to the next board meeting to discuss.

Other business: The select board would like to publicly thank the water department for the work done on Rt. 105.

Billy will start talking with Rick on the burn policy for the Town of Brighton.

Executive session: No need for an executive session.

Bruce Webster motions to adjourn the meeting. Mike Testut seconds the motion, all in favor, so carried.

Meeting adjourned at 6:05 PM.