

*Town of Livermore Falls*  
*Office of the Select Board*

**William Kenniston – Chair**  
**John Barbioni**  
**Ernie Souther**

**Bruce Peary – Vice Chair**  
**Jeffrey Bryant**

Select Board Meeting  
**January 6, 2026**  
Livermore Falls Town Office  
6:00 pm  
**\*\*MINUTES\*\***

**1. Call meeting to order**

Will called meeting to order at 6pm

**2. Pledge of Allegiance**

**Adjustment to agenda**

Will 1<sup>st</sup> to approve the adjustment

Ernie 2<sup>nd</sup>

VOTE: 5-0 in favor of approving the adjustment.

**3. Public Hearings**

**4. Approval of the Minutes**

4.1 December 16, 2025

Ernie made 1<sup>st</sup> motion to approve as written

John 2<sup>nd</sup>

VOTE: 5-0 to accept as written

**5. Old business**

5.1 Fee Schedule

Bryce reached out to several towns on their pricing of marijuana license ranging from \$500 to \$4,500. And to put a cap on how many storefronts in town.

Chief talked regarding the costs related to expenses to calls to the Marijuana stores.'

Bruce satisfied with the fees that our town already has and doesn't believe our prices  
Will bring more stores to town.

Carrie, we have a bedroom community for businesses and poses a question,

What is the current image and how is it seen and what do we want our image to be.

Will would like to do more research and see how many hours involved before making  
A decision, Bruce agreed.

Project on Diamond Rd is 8-million-dollar project and our fee for the project is \$75  
And feels the decommissioning bond really should be looked at.

Ernie said that it used to be rocky and hilly and now will be a working solar field and  
The town will in turn will bring more tax dollars to the town.

Ernie thinks the fee should stay where they are.

Bruce would like to go with 6 months and review

VOTE: 5-0 to review in 6 months. (June 2<sup>nd</sup>)

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**6. New Business:**

**6.1 313 Moose Hill Road – Violation Notice and Fine Assessment**

Bryce has been in contact with property owner

Work had been done without permit. 12-22-25

Stop work order issued, work continued

Fines and penalties can be issued \$100 to \$2500 per day

Work started 12-22-2025 and no permit can be issued until septic design approved

Ernie made 1<sup>st</sup> to have CEO and Town Manager to seek legal counsel

Jeff 2<sup>nd</sup> motion

Discussion- Bruce advocate for rules because this was a blatant disregard to the codes.

And would like to take the legal councils fullest extent

VOTE: 5-0 in favor of seeking legal council and taking fullest extent of penalties

**6.2 Marijuana Moratorium – discussion only**

Will hopefully going to vote in April and this will only affect new applicants as there will

Be a cap on number of establishments.

Carrie said it would be quicker if we had open town meeting.

Will made 1<sup>st</sup> thinks we should draft a moratorium for cannabis in Livermore Falls

Bruce made 2<sup>nd</sup>

VOTE: 5-0 in favor of drafting cannabis

**7. Warrants/Abatements/Deeds/Quit Claim**

**7.1 Payroll Warrant: #51 \$42,537.94, #52 \$29,516.51, #53 \$33,130.07**

Will 1<sup>st</sup> to approve as presented

Bruce 2<sup>nd</sup>

VOTE 5-0 in favor of approving as presented

**7.2 General Fund Warrant: #25 \$5,119.80, #26 \$364,573.12**

Pay Req #70 \$495,462.34, #71 \$44,811.50

Will made 1<sup>st</sup> motion to approve as presented

John 2<sup>nd</sup>

VOTE:5-0 to approve as presented.

**7.3 Abatements, Quit Claim Deeds, Supplements:**

Sewer #81: \$312

Will made 1<sup>st</sup> motion to approve sewer abatement for \$312 for account #81

Bruce made 2<sup>nd</sup>

VOTE 5-0 in favor of approving sewer abatement in the amount of \$312 for account #81

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Re 933 901.47 71,600

Will said the reduction in taxes for account # 933 requested abatement is \$901.47 due to reduction in the valuation of the property down to \$71,600

Bruce made 1<sup>st</sup> motion to approve suggested abatement by assessor.

Ernie made 2<sup>nd</sup> motion

VOTE: 5-0 in favor of approving abatement of \$901.47 for account 933

RE Account 931 suggested abatement of \$0- property owner did not meet burden of proof

Will made 1<sup>st</sup> motion to approve \$0 for RE account #931 as suggested by the assessor

Bruce made 2<sup>nd</sup> motion

VOTE: 5-0 in favor of approving \$0 abatement for account #931

RE account #91- reduced valuation

Bruce made motion to approve abatement of \$246 for account #91 as suggested by assessor

John made 2<sup>nd</sup> motion

VOTE: 5-0 to approve abatement of \$246 for account #91 as suggested by assessor

**8. Board Discussion**

Will hoped everyone had a good holiday

**9. Manager Discussion**

Reminder, Thursday at 6pm meeting here at the town office

Spruce mountain board is down 1 member and looking for another participate

8 Sarles St going on Market end of next week

Androscoggin bank moving and donated stand up desks and delivered by RCCM

**10. Department Head Discussion**

Rabies Clinic January 10 at the town office from 9-11 am

Pennies are no longer being made and will be looking at how to move forward, policy

Abe, working on reporting and all officers have completed their annual training.

No issues with the fleet, fuel is down with being half hybrid

Drone was able to track armed suspect within 3 minutes and feels the drone was worth money

New officer starting at the end of the month, would like to start new tradition of a pinning

And giving oath of given by Chair, starting January 20<sup>th</sup> and then go directly to the academy

Will would like to move forward with new tradition

**11. Public Comment**

John Benedetto asked about appeal process for abatement-he will receive a letter in the mail

John also asked about audit updates- Carrie said they are working on it with no timeline.

John would like a meeting with planning board and select chair as well as the town manager.

Will said he is willing to meet but the planning board chair is not available until mid February

Feels someone else from the planning board can meet.

Will made 1<sup>st</sup> to have 10-minute recess and then go into executive session.

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Ernie made 2<sup>nd</sup>

VOTE: 4-0 to take 10-minute recess and then go into executive session.at 7:16

**12. Executive Session – 1 M.R.S. §405(A) – personnel matters**

Bruce made 1<sup>st</sup> motion to exit executive session

Will made 2<sup>nd</sup> motion.

VOTE: 5-0 in favor of exiting executive session.

Bruce made the 1<sup>st</sup> motion to continue paying Chief Haroon hourly until 06-30-2026

Will made 2<sup>nd</sup> motion

VOTE: 5-0 to continue paying Chief Haroon hourly until June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2026

**13. Adjourn**

Bruce made 1<sup>st</sup> motion to adjourn

Jeff made 2<sup>nd</sup> motion

VOTE: 5-0 in favor of adjourning at 7:34

Respectfully Submitted by:  
Doris Austin, Town Clerk

