

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

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**John Barbioni**  
**Ernie Souther**

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**Jeffrey Bryant**

Select Board Meeting  
**January 20 2026**  
Livermore Falls Town Office  
6:00 pm  
**\*\*\*\*MINUTES\*\*\*\***

**1. Call meeting to order**

Will called meeting to order

**2. Pledge of Allegiance**

**3. Adjustment to agenda**

No adjustment

**4. Pinning Ceremony**

Nicholas Shink starts Monday and will be going to academy the following Monday For 18 weeks. Will gave the Oath to Nicholas, and his wife Sharon pinned him

**5. Public Hearings**

**6. Approval of the Minutes**

4.1 January 6, 2026

Ernie 1<sup>st</sup> as written

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

VOTE: 5-0 in favor of accepting minutes as written,

**7. Old business**

7.1 313 Moose Hill Road – Violation Notice

Bryce told the Board there is a copy of the Compliance consent agreement that will be between the Town and the property owner and will not wave any fines or approve the work that has been done. It is, however, documented that the work has occurred unpermitted.

Agreement made with the property owner and is willing to sign agreement to come to move forward Bruce is okay with the agreement.

Ernie made 1<sup>st</sup> motion for Compliance consent agreement to accepted and signed by either Code enforcement or town manager as well as the property owner

Bruce made 2<sup>nd</sup>

VOTE: 5-0 in favor of accepting agreement.

**8. New Business**

8.1 Sewer vehicle rust repair

Mark told the Board the sewer department has a 2016 Chevy pickup and is asking for \$8,000.00 from joint reserve to remove the rust and repair the truck.

Ernie is asking Mark to get quotes from all 3 body shops in town.

Mark said Jay has already approved the requests.

Will made 1<sup>st</sup> to approve taking up to \$8000. From joint reserve for the repair of the 2016 Chevy.

Ernie made 2<sup>nd</sup>

VOTE: 5-0 in favor of up to \$8,000 from joint reserve account for the repair of the 2016 truck.

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8.2 Moratorium Ordinance Regarding Retail Medical Marijuana

Carrie gave a draft of the moratorium to the Board for review which is for 180 days

Will asked if this would affect the businesses already established. Answer is NO  
Carrie told the Board the existing ordinance still is the guiding document, and this would just  
Put a pause on any new development.

Bruce 1<sup>st</sup> motion to pass this document onto legal for their review.

Ernie made 2<sup>nd</sup>

VOTE: 5-0 in favor of moving forward to go to legal.

Will wants to make sure there is no confusion and that people know exactly what they are voting on.

8.3 Set date for Public Hearing on Moratorium Ordinance

Carrie said there is enough time to have this open town meeting on February 17 so would need to  
have public hearing on February 3<sup>rd</sup>

Will made 1<sup>st</sup> to have public hearing on Feb 3 for the marijuana moratorium

Bruce made 2<sup>nd</sup>

VOTE:5-0

8.4 Set date for Special Town Meeting

Will made 1<sup>st</sup> for February 17 for the open town meeting for the Marijuana Moratorium

Bruce made 2<sup>nd</sup>

VOTE: 5-0 in favor of moving forward with the meeting on February 17

Carrie asked about having the meeting at American Legion and the Board approves as long as cost is  
low and availability is there.

8.5 Approve Special Town Meeting Warrant

To table until we have the answer of the location and legal has approved.

Will made 1<sup>st</sup> to table until Feb 3

John made 2<sup>nd</sup>

VOTE: 5-0 all in favor to table until Feb 3rd

8.6 Penny Rounding Policy

Carrie put a copy of the policy in the packet. This will take effect when we do not have pennies

Will 1<sup>st</sup> to approve the penny rounding policy

John 2<sup>nd</sup>

VOTE: 5-0 in favor of approving the Penny Rounding Policy

8.7 Resignation of Ava Moffett

Jeff would like to have the position filled, what if something happened. Our town could be the  
One vote that counts because we are one short on the board.

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Ernie made 1<sup>st</sup> motion to appoint Tammy Ferrari to the school board.

John 2<sup>nd</sup>

VOTE: 5-0 in favor of appointing Tammy Ferrari to finish Ava Moffet's term

8.8 Sewer Foreclosures: UT 326  
UT 387  
UT499

Carrie told the Board that the final letters of foreclosures went out October 9<sup>th</sup>  
And we have not heard from the property owners making January 9<sup>th</sup> the last day

January 9<sup>th</sup> is when these accounts matured on January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2026

Ernie made 1<sup>st</sup> motion to move forward with foreclosures on the 3 properties.

Bruce made 2<sup>nd</sup>

Will made amendment to move forward with the 3 properties and place with the broker

Jeff made 2<sup>nd</sup>

VOTE: 5-0 in favor to move forward and work with the broker to sell the properties

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

7.1 Payroll Warrant: #1 \$30,225.50

7.2 General Fund Warrant: #31 \$50,674.74, #32 \$371.00, #33 \$297,116.05

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

Ernie made 2<sup>nd</sup>

VOTE: 5-0 to approve as read

7.3 Abatements, Quit Claim Deeds, Supplements:

RE #489: \$930.40

RE 3391: \$129.03

Paul prepared the documents to support the requested amounts

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

John made 2<sup>nd</sup>

VOTE: 5-0 to approve as requested abatements as presented.

**10. Board Discussion**

Nothing

**11. Manager Discussion**

Nothing

**12. Department Head Discussion**

Doris- Rabies clinic was a success with 64 pets. Last one of the year but Tractor Supply Still has them.

Mark sewer billing policy, not billed and Jay goes back 3 years and asks what this board would like to do moving forward. go back 3 years or start from now.

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Mark has found that there are 2 residents so far that have been found to have the sewer services and are not getting billed and he is sure there are more although he has not talked with them.

Will said the bills could possibly be multi-thousand dollars and would be hard for people to come up with.

Ernie said that we have foreclosed on properties for nonpayment and then sold them so feels that the town is having a double precedent if we don't charge them and if they need they can set up a payment plan for the back services they received for maybe 1 year

Carrie said that this will be a policy change, board to move forward with changes.

Will would like to bill from current usage

Ernie made 1<sup>st</sup> motion to approve the change to policy and charged 50% for previous 3 years

And full amount from this point on with 6 months to pay

Bruce would 2<sup>nd</sup> if it is 1 year repayment

Ernie amended to 1 year for payment of the back balance

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

VOTE: 3-2 in favor in amending policy to charge 50% for billing for past 3 years bills for people

Not being billed.

Aeration system in the new sludge holding tanks requires some modifications, working with Bracket Mechanical and will be coming back to the board after pricing and request from the joint reserve.

To present to the board Joint account has approximately 260,000 with about \$35,000 in pending charges

If the modifications are done it will save about \$18,000 every 18 months

Mark and Carrie met with Northern Borders and it looks like we may receive more grant Money for the route 17 project. No guarantees but it looks good

**13. Public Comment**

John building standard ordinance on websites doesn't say amendments and asked why.

Tammy Ferrari would like update google with current staff and information.

Bruce made 1<sup>st</sup> motion to move in executive session at 6:55

Will would like to amend to take 10 minute recess and then move into executive session

MRS §405 (6)(C) – real property

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

VOTE:5-0 in favor of taking recess and then moving into MRS §405 (6)(C) – real property.

Entered executive session at 7:05

**14. Executive Session – 1 MRS §405 (6)(C) – real property**

**Bruce made 1<sup>st</sup> motion to come out of executive session**

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

**VOTE: 5-0 in favor of coming out of executive session.**

Bruce made 1<sup>st</sup> motion to admin abate taxes and sewer for 2 properties

Ernie made 2<sup>nd</sup>

VOTE: 5-0 in favor of doing administrative abatement on 2 properties.

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Ernie made 1<sup>st</sup> motion to enter executive session at 7:22  
Jeff made 2<sup>nd</sup> motion  
VOTE: 5-0 to enter executive session1 MRS §405 (6)(A) – personnel matters

**15. Executive Session – 1 MRS §405 (6)(A) – personnel matters**

Bruce made 1<sup>st</sup> motion to exit executive session  
John made 2<sup>nd</sup> motion to exit executive session  
Vote: 5-0 to exit executive session at 8:20

**16. Adjourn**

Bruce made 1<sup>st</sup> motion to adjourn  
Ernie made 2<sup>nd</sup> motion  
VOTE: 5-0 to adjourn at 8:20pm

Respectfully Submitted by:  
Doris Austin, Town Clerk

