

Alexandria Selectmen's Meeting Minutes

March 17, 2026

- ❖ **Members Present:** George Tuthill, Brian Lewis and Robert Piehler
- ❖ The meeting came to order at 6:00 pm and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
- ❖ **The swearing in of Brian Lewis to the Select Board by Francine Skiffington, Town Clerk.**
- ❖ The Select Board voted George Tuthill as chair, Brian Lewis as representative to the Planning Board, and Robert Piehler as representative to the Conservation Commission.
- ❖ Approval of Minutes from March 3, 2026
- ❖ **Items Reviewed and Signed**
 - Highway Safety Grant for MDDT/ECRASH equipment
 - The Select Board, in a majority vote, accepted the terms of the Highway Safety Grant as presented in the amount of \$12,386.93.
 - Grant covers mobile equipment for cruisers that includes laptop, tablet, operating system, internal GPS, internal bar code scanner, docking station, charger, mounting hardware, antenna, and external keyboard
 - Financial Policy 2026 was reaffirmed with no changes from the 2025 Financial Policy
 - Certification of Yield Taxes Assessed: Karlsen Map 410 Lot 43
 - 2026 MS-232 Report of Appropriations Actually Voted
 - Purchase Order: Lakes Region Mutual Fire Aid 2026
 - Purchase Order: Hansen Bridge – Welton Falls Road Bridge
 - Paul Sirard, Road Agent, said that he is hoping the work will begin as early as June.
 - Mr. Tuthill expressed appreciation to the voters for supporting the warrant article for the bridge repairs.
 - PA-29 Permanent Application for Credit or Exemption: Map 418 Lot 80
- ❖ **New Business**
 - NH Department of Revenue Equalization Letter
 - The overall equalization ratio (weighted mean) for real property in Alexandria for Tax Year 2025 is **61.3%**. This ratio will be used to equalize the modified local assessed valuation for all real property in Alexandria.
 - Mr. Tuthill stated that the Town needs people to volunteer to service as commissioner for the Town on the Lakes Region Planning Commission. He suggested Mr. Lewis bring it up at the next planning board meeting to see if a member of the planning board might be interested.
 - There was discussion on putting a few town owned vehicles up for sealed bid, including a highway department truck, old fire truck, and old police cruiser.
 - Brian Lewis thanked Paul Sirard for the highway department's work on pushing the snow banks back on Welton Falls Road.
- ❖ **Old Business**
 - AMC/Shem Valley Road Parking
 - The Select Board discussed whether the letter sent to the state Division of Forest & Lands should also be sent to State Representatives and/or Executive Councilor. The Select Board will draft a cover letter and send a copy to NH State Senator Dan Innis, NH State Representative Donald McFarlane, Executive Councilor Joseph Kenney, and the AMC. There was discussion on also including information about the failing culvert on Shem Valley Road.
 - Paul Sirard said that there have not been any issues with parking on side of road since the signs for no parking for three miles were installed. Mr. Sirard also said that the AMC told him they will do more work for on their parking lot in the spring.
 - 367 Welton Falls Road
 - Michael Provost, Health Officer, is working on the cease and desist for the property owner.
 - Mr. Provost informed the Select Board that an abutter is taking the property owner to civil court on March 25th over his concerns about the property.
- ❖ **The Select Board voted to enter a nonpublic session at 6:35 per NH RSA 91-A:3, II (I)** Consideration of legal advice provided by legal counsel, either in writing or orally, to one or more members of the public body, even where legal counsel is not present. The Select Board came out of nonpublic

Meeting adjourned 6:40 pm

Respectfully submitted, Jennifer Dostie, Administrative Assistant

Also in attendance: Ken Hall, Nancy Whitman, Michael Provost, Francine Skiffington