

Bennington Board of Selectmen
Monday – June 29, 2026
Selectmen's Minutes – 6:00 pm

Selectboard: Chairman, James Cleary, Tony Parisi, Travis McClure

Chairman Cleary called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm. Seconded by Selectmen McClure & Parisi

Appointments:

6:00 – Curtis Dude, transfer station

In accordance with RSA 91 A:3, II (c) Selectman McClure motioned to enter into a non-public session. Seconded by Selectmen Parisi & Cleary. Motion passed with an affirmative vote - 3-0

6:22 – Motion by Chairman Cleary to enter out of non-public.

Decision: Curtis will have a discussion with one of the employees at the transfer station and follow-up with the Selectboard at a later date.

6:24 – Chief Tom Horne – Chief Horne was before the Board to present his findings from the background check on the potential new hire, David Bell. The Board reviewed the findings, asked a few questions, and ultimately gave Chief Horne the go ahead to present David Bell with an offer letter. The letter will include the offer of Sgt as well as a \$41.00 hourly rate. David is on vacation until July 6, 2026. Chief Horne will let him know when he gets back from vacation. If David Bell accepts the offer, he will give his notice to Peterborough PD and be able to begin working for Bennington PD in late July. Chief Horne advised that David would be on 40 hours of FTO, and then 40 hours of road work while Chief Horne was on duty.

Minutes: Motion by Selectman McClure to accept the June 1, 2026 minutes as written. Seconded by Selectmen Parisi & Cleary. Motion passed 3-0

Financial: A/P & Payroll Manifests were approved and signed.

Signatures completed on the following documents:

Financial Policies

Unlicensed Dogs

Emergency service contract Antrim/Bennington

Other:

Rain Diverters – Chairman Cleary will look into finding someone to complete this task.

Ice Diverter –Chairman Cleary will look into finding someone to complete this task

Boston Post Cane-one will be ordered for our oldest resident in Bennington

Bible Hill Road – gave the Selectmen and update to the properties on Bible Hill Road regarding clean up.

Red Listed Bridge- bridge by the papermill is red listed. Selectmen would like TA to follow up with the State regarding repair. Chairman Cleary advised he spoke with someone from the State back in 2014 or 2015. It was determined at that time that the cost would be approx. \$200k. At that time, the State was going to pay 80%, and the mill and the TOB agreed to split the other 20%.

Adjourn:

6:40pm, with nothing further Selectman Parisi adjourned the meeting. Seconded by Selectmen McClure & Chairman Cleary.

The next Selectmen's Meeting is scheduled for July 13th, 2026 at 6:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Cathy McGillicuddy, Administrative Assistant