



**Chelsea Selectboard  
Regular Selectboard Meeting  
March 11, 2026  
6:00 PM  
Chelsea Town Office**

Board Present: Chair Sheri Truman, Vice-Chair Jake Soucy, Selectboard Member Mike Pushard and Town Manager Christine Landes

Public Present: Dorothy Grady, Maureen Malley, Henry Truman, Stephen MacDonald, Scott Grady, Spencer Gagnon, Dwight Holbrook, Darby Erickson, Tanya Condon, Steve McGee, Deb McGee

**I. Open the Meeting | Pledge of Allegiance**

**Action:** Chair Truman Called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**II. Public Comment on Items Not on Agenda**

Discussion regarding roads ensued

**III. Update from Kennebec County Sheriff's Office**

NONE

**IV. Adjustments to the Agenda**

NONE

**V. Approval of Consent Agenda Items**

- A. A/P Warrant #23 in the amount of **\$24,540.10 (S & M)**
- B. A/P Warrant #24 in the amount of **\$1,000.00 (S, J & M)**
- C. A/P Warrant #25 in the amount of **\$355,703.12 (S & M)**
- D. Payroll Warrant Week #7 in the amount of **\$4,512.63 (S & M)**
- E. Payroll Warrant Week #8 in the amount of **\$4,406.00 (J & S)**
- F. Payroll Warrant Week #9 in the amount of **\$9,362.38 (S, J & M)**
- G. Payroll Warrant Week #10 in the amount of **\$7,520.50 (S)**
- H. Minutes of the February 11, 2026 Meeting
- I. Minutes of the February 25, 2026 Special Meeting
- J. A/P Warrant #26 in the amount of **\$14,391.43**

**Action:** Vice-Chair Soucy motioned to approve items A, B, D, E F, G, H and I as read. Selectboard Member Pushard seconded. No discussion. 3-0-0

**Action:** Selectboard Member Pushard motioned to approve items C and J as read. Chair Truman seconded. No discussion. 2-1-0

## **VI. Scheduled Items**

### A. New Business:

1. FY2027 Budget Presentation to Selectboard and Budget Committee

Town Manager Landes gave a presentation on the proposed FY2027 Budget

2. Update to FY26 Budget

On target. Expenses should be 71%. Revenue Collected is 93%.

3. Carry Forwards from FY2025

**Action:** Selectboard Member Pushard made a motion to approve carrying forward the remaining Summer Roads balance from FY2025. Chair Truman seconded. No discussion. 3-0-0

4. Permission for Permanent Exemption | Windsor Road | McGee Construction

**Action:** Chair Truman made a motion to approve a permanent exemption for McGee Construction for Windsor Road. Vice-Chair Soucy seconded. No discussion. 3-0-0

5. Sign Excess Sale Proceeds from Sale of Tax Acquired Property | 13 Truman Drive

**Action:** Chair Truman made a motion to sign Notice of Payment regarding 13 Truman Drive. Vice-Chair Soucy seconded. No discussion. 3-0-0

6. Procurement Ordinance Discussion

Discussion ensued on reviewing and updating the current Procurement Ordinance.

7. Election Clerk(s) Appointment(s)

**Action:** Selectboard Member Pushard made a motion to appoint Lisa Erickson, Patricia Finale, Dorothy Grady, Debra Danforth, Amy McCollett, Patricia Fredette, Linda Weston, Andrea Sargent and Charles Redman as Election Clerks, term to expire April 30, 2028. Chair Truman seconded. No discussion. 3-0-0

8. Confirmation of Support for Additional Ambulance Personnel | Gardiner

**Action:** Vice-Chair Soucy made a motion to approve the Confirmation of Support for additional Ambulance Personnel in Gardiner. Selectboard Member Pushard seconded. No discussion. 3-0-0

B. Old Business:

1. Final Review of Proposed Charter Amendments

**Action:** Chair Truman motioned to present proposed Charter Amendments at town meeting. Selectboard Member Pushard seconded. No discussion. 2-1-0

**VII. Legal**

- A. NONE

**VIII. Written Communication**

- A. Town Manager Report

Town Manager Landes reported that she, along with Code Enforcement and a representative from the Chelsea Fire Department, have been attending Monday training sessions for the Kennebec County All Hazards Assessment. She also noted receiving early morning (5:00 a.m.) calls from the security company regarding alarm activations. Additionally, she provided an update on the Kennebec Savings Bank proposal, and the Selectboard authorized the Town to begin doing business with the bank.

- B. Town Office Report
- C. Code Enforcement Report
- D. Animal Control Report
- E. Fire Chief Report
- F. SVRSU #12 School Board

**IX. Verbal Communication**

- A. Boards and Committees

Dot Grady gave an update on money raised at 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Battle of the Bands Fundraiser. Also briefed on the status of the Kick Off to Summer BBQ happening on June 13, 2026. Talked about the residents and business stepping up at donating time and money on the kitchen at the Town Office. Asked the Board to approve the use of TIF Funds for a sink and faucet, unanimous approval granted.

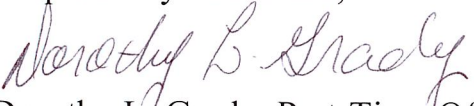
- B. Municipal Officers/Assessors Comments and Concerns

Both Chair Truman and Selectboard Member Pushard want to recognized the volunteers who help with town events and fundraising. Vice-Chair Soucy sought clarification regarding a call from the security company.

**X. Adjournment**

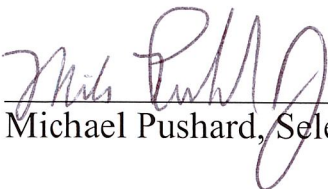
**Action:** Chair Truman motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 p.m. Selectboard Member Pushard seconded. No discussion. 3-0-0

Respectfully submitted,

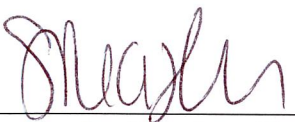
  
Dorothy L. Grady, Part-Time Office Clerk

  
Sheri Truman, Chair

  
Jacob Soucy, Vice-Chair

  
Michael Pushard, Selectboard Member

A true copy attest:

  
Samantha Peaslee, Town Clerk