



**Chelsea Board of Assessors
Meeting
August 19, 2026
6:00 PM
Chelsea Town Office**

Board Present: Chair Sheri Truman, Vice-Chair Jake Soucy, Town Manager Christine Landes, Student Selectboard Member Lailah Sher

Board Absent: Selectboard Member Mike Pushard

Public Present: Henry Truman, Tim Willett, Molly Alexander, Scott Grady, Joe Murphy, Maria Jacques, Sammie Peaslee, Dot Grady

I. Open the Meeting | Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Truman called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

II. New Business:

a. Name Change: Abatement / Supplement: Lemoine, John

(Clyde Fowler) | Willett, Timothy (Clyde Fowler)

Action: Chair Truman motioned to credit Lemoine, A. John in the amount of \$1,589.56 and charge Clyde Fowler 1,652.00. The motion also included reinstating Clyde Fowler to the account and removing Timothy Willett. Mr. Fowler will have 60 days to pay \$1,189.56. Vice-Chair Soucy seconded. No discussion. 2-0-0

III. Any Other Business to Come Before the Board

IV. Adjourn

Chair Truman closed the meeting at 6:05 p.m.

**Chelsea Selectboard
Immediately Following Board of Assessors Meeting**

V. Open the Meeting | Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Truman opened the meeting at 6:05 p.m.

II. Public Comment on Items Not on Agenda

NONE

III. Update from Kennebec County Sheriff's Office

NONE

IV. Public Hearing

NONE

V. Adjustments to the Agenda

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VI. Approval of Consent Agenda Items

- A. Payroll Warrant Week #32 in the amount of **\$6,957.68**
- B. Payroll Warrant Week #33 in the amount of **\$4,853.88**
- C. A/P Warrant #5 in the amount of **\$ 367,354.62**
- D. Minutes of the August 5, 2026 Meeting

Action: Chair Truman motioned to approve Items A-D as written. Vice-Chair Soucy seconded. No discussion. 2-0-0

VII. Scheduled Items

A. New Business:

1. Maine Municipal Association Executive Committee Ballot Consideration

No Action taken

2. Close the office for Maine Municipal Convention | October 7, 2026

Action: Chair Truman motioned to approve closing the office on October 7, 2026. Vice-Chair Soucy seconded. No discussion. 2-0-0

B. Old Business:

VIII. Legal

A. NONE

IX. Written Communication

A. Town Manager Report: The Fire Department sign has been reinstalled on the building. Roadside mowing has been completed. There has been no change in the status of the Windsor Road Culvert Grant. Work on the Windsor Road near the Labbe property has been completed. Paving of the contracted roads has also been completed, with the final invoiced amount approximately \$17,000.00 less than the contracted amount. Clean-up of the property at 20 Birch Street has been completed.

- B. Town Office Report
- C. Code Enforcement Report
- D. Animal Control Report
- E. Fire Chief Report

F. SVRSU #12 School Board

X. Verbal Communication

A. Student Selectboard Member Update: Currently working on an article for the Chelsea Messenger.

B. Boards and Committees: The Chelsea Community Events & Fundraising Committee has been fundraising to install a floor for the community kitchen. Obtained 2 estimates, both are more than the funds raised. We also need to by licensing rights to show movies at our events. Cost will be \$1,000.00 annually for unlimited movies, unlimited events.

C. Municipal Officers/Assessors Comments and Concerns

Chair Truman: Addressed recent confusion regarding commenting on the Town's Facebook page. She clarified that commenting has been disabled and that the page is intended for informational purposes only. She encouraged residents to call the Town Office or any member of the Selectboard with any questions so that they may be addressed.

Vice-Chair Soucy: Asked when shoulder work would be completed on the recently paved roads and expressed that the work should be done sooner rather than later. He also commented on the audio quality of the Selectboard meeting videos, noting that the volume needs to be increased.

XI. Executive Session

A. Pursuant to 1 MRSA § 405(6)(F): Discussions of information contained in records made, maintained or received by a body or agency when access by the general public to those records is prohibited by statute- personnel records.

XII. Adjournment

Action: Chair Truman motioned to adjourn at 6:24 p.m. Vice-Chair Soucy seconded. No discussion. 2-0-0

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