

**TOWN OF SOMERS
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, June 18, 2026, at 6:00 pm
Town Hall Auditorium**

A.) CALL TO ORDER: First Selectman Tim Keeney called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

1. Pledge of Allegiance: All members participated in the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Roll Call: First Selectman Tim Keeney, Selectmen Bill Meier and Bob Schmidt, CFO Brian Wissinger and many concerned residents.

B.) PUBLIC COMMENT:

1. Public Comment:
The following residents shared their concerns regarding the recent budget cuts.
Elaine Freedman of 200 Billings Road
Michelle Young of 447 Mountain Road
Gloria Coles of 121 Skully Road
Katherine Mashiak of 54 Springfield Road
Lorrain Wetherell of 21 Billings Road
Joan Sizer of 50 Whisperwoods Road
Deborah Blinn of 137 Mountain View Road
Darlene McCray of 47 Brae Burn
Lisa Horan of 43 Shady Dell Lane
Matthew Moylan of 119 Georgewood Road
Anne Levesque of 230 Four Bridges Road
Liz Devine of 39 Maple Ridge
Tracy Wyllie of 54 Lubier Drive

C.) PRESENTATIONS BY THE FIRST SELECTMAN

First Selectman presented the following items:

Scott Kritzky of Main Street, Somersville, CT has attended several Board of Selectmen meetings requesting the establishment of a fair rent commission and a landlord registry. The Board of Selectmen will address this item at their regular Board of Selectman Meeting on July 2nd at 6pm.

Selectman Keeney also extended congratulations to the Somers High School Boys and Girls Lacrosse teams unprecedented achievement of winning the State Class S Championships. Recognition was given to Coach Colton and Coach McCarthy for their leadership and the teams' outstanding achievements.

D.) CONSENT AGENDA

1. Board and Commissions: Appointments/Resignations
WPCA Water Pollution Control Authority - Appointments Request
 - a. Appoint Mark Folsom as an Alternate member of the WPCA with a term date of 12/22/26
Mr. Schmidt made a motion to appoint Mark Folsom as an alternate member of the WPCA with a term date of 12/22/26, seconded by Mr. Meier. The motion unanimously passed.

- b. Appoint Michelle Michaels as full member of the WPCA with a term date of 12/22/28.
- c. ***Mr. Schmidt made a motion to appoint Michelle Michaels as full member of the WPCA with a term date of 12/22/28, seconded by Mr. Meier. The motion unanimously passed.***

E.) OPPORTUNITY TO ADD URGENT AGENDA ITEMS

Mr. Meier made a motion to add an item - to set referendum dates for June 30, 2026, and July 14, 2026, to be held at the Somers Town Hall from 6am – 8pm, seconded by Mr. Keeney. the motion unanimously passed.

F.) FINANCE

- a) Transfers and Appropriations - None
- b) CFO Finance Report/Updates: Mr. Wissinger complimented Selectman Keeney for initiating the new Elderly and Tax Relief Program, noting that 62 applications were processed. Of those, 15 applicants qualified under the new \$70,000 income limit, reflecting the impact of the recent ordinance change.
- c) Presentation of Scheduled Payments

Mr. Schmidt made a motion to approve the scheduled payments in the amount of \$370,080.40, seconded by Mr. Meier. The motion unanimously passed.

G.) UPDATES FROM BOARDS AND COMMISSION: None

H.) OLD BUSINESS: None

I.) NEW BUSINESS

1. 1. Discussion and Action Requesting the Board of Selectmen Enact CGS 12-123: Selectmen to make rate bill when town fails to lay sufficient tax.
Mr. Wissinger provided a presentation about the 2025 Revaluation. A discussion followed.
Mr. Keeney made a motion to a set the mil rate at 23.46, seconded by Mr. Schmidt. A discussion followed. Mr. Meier opposed the motion. The motion passed.

2. Request to hire the following individuals as Summer Camp Counselors for the 2026 Camp Season starting on 6/22/26 through 8/14/26 at the following hourly rates as presented.

Carley Bergamini	Camp Director	\$24.50
Danielle Hoague	Assistant Director	\$22.50
Lyndsey Hale	Medical Lead	\$18.00
Alicia Bernier	Counselor	\$17.00
Christopher Burzynski	Counselor	\$17.00
Edward DePeau	Counselor	\$17.00
Owen Mira	Counselor	\$17.00
Evalina Bruel	Counselor	\$17.50
Katie Curran	Counselor	\$17.50
Dom Carengo	Counselor	\$17.75
Taylor Illuzzi	Counselor	\$17.75
Juliette Mira	Counselor	\$17.75
Maddie Nowakowski	Counselor	\$17.75
Daniella Percoski	Counselor	\$17.75
Alyssa Reynolds	Counselor	\$17.75

Ava DePeau	Counselor	\$18.00
McKenna Halligan	Counselor	\$18.00
Eric Alaimo	Counselor	\$18.25
Phillip Alaimo	Counselor	\$18.25
Ryan Halligan	Counselor	\$18.25
Celia Bruel	Counselor	\$18.50

Mr. Meier made a motion to approve the Request to hire the following individuals as Summer Camp Counselors for the 2026 Camp Season starting on 6/22/26 through 8/14/26 at the following hourly rates as presented, seconded by Mr. Schmidt. the motion unanimously passed.

3. Set Budget Referendum Dates for June 30, 2026, and July 14, 2026.

Mr. Meier made a motion to set Budget Referendum dates for June 30, 2026, and July 14, 2016, if needed, to be held at the Somers Town Hall from 6am – 8pm, seconded by Mr. Schmidt. the motion unanimously passed.

J.) Approval of Minutes of June 4, 2026, Regular Meeting of the Board of Selectmen.

The Board of Selectmen waives the reading of the minutes of the Regular Meeting from June 4, 2026, and that minutes of said meeting be approved.

Mr. Schmidt made a motion to approve the minutes of June 4, 2026, seconded by Mr. Meier. The motion unanimously passed.

Approval of Public Hearing Minutes of

The Board of Selectmen waives the reading of the minutes of the Regular Meeting from June 4, 2026, and that minutes of said meeting be approved.

Mr. Schmidt made a motion to approve the minutes of June 4, 2026, seconded by Mr. Meier. The motion unanimously passed.

K.) **ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Meier made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:25pm, seconded by Mr. Schmidt. the motion unanimously passed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kim LaFleur-Recording

Minutes are not official until accepted at a subsequent meeting