

Minutes of Belvidere Selectboard Meeting

September 2, 2026, an in-person and ZOOM hybrid meeting.

Meeting convened at 6:36 PM and adjourned at 8:27 PM.

Member present at TCO was Ken Adams Jr., members Earl Domina and Kevin Leavitt attended remotely. Pamela Mc Kenna and Town Clerk, Cathy Mander-Adams, also attended in person at the TCO. No changes to the agenda

Motion by Earl to accept the minutes of August 19, 2026, meeting as written; 2nd by Ken; motion carried. Motion by Kevin to sign order #28 for \$573.15; 2nd by Earl; motion carried. Motion by Earl to sign order #29 for \$25,144.87; 2nd by Ken; motion carried, with Kevin abstaining. Motion by Kevin to sign order #30 (MRGP amendment form expense) for \$240; 2nd by Earl; motion carried.

Cathy reported that town resident John Stocks volunteered to paint the Listers' office; consensus to accept his offer and to purchase paint with the credit cards on file with the Treasurer.

Update on status of the playground installation at the Belvidere Community Club (BCC) field:

- \$5000 remains in budget for project; David Fay volunteered to seed and straw the excavated area; Kevin donated a truckload of large landscape boulders; Cathy and Melissa Manka researching option for transplanting trees; Pamela reported that Hometown Hardware in Eden has a limited supply of apple tree saplings for sale at \$63 each; wood mulch has settled around equipment and more needs to be spread
- Motion by Kevin to authorize David Fay to seed and straw, Town will spend up to \$500 for the materials; 2nd by Earl; motion carried.
- Motion by Kevin to approve up to \$3000 to purchase mulch needed (assumed to be one trailer truck load) from Pion's Trucking, who donated original load of mulch; 2nd by Earl; motion carried.

Ken gave a brief overview of the walk through with Efficiency Vt. at the Belvidere Central School (BCS) and a complete report will be submitted by Efficiency Vt. soon. Consensus of the board to perform an annual fall maintenance on the oil hot water boiler; Earl will call Jacob Miller with Enlisted HVAC to schedule

Update on status of MERP funded window project at the Junction School House:

- Ken has notified Gihon Millwork of board's acceptance of their custom-built window proposal and that Town is awaiting final approval of the design from the State agencies involved
- Ken has notified local contractor Mike Bean of board's acceptance of his proposal to perform carpentry and general repairs necessary to complete the window project; the Town will draw up a contract for Mike to sign, and he will begin work on the smaller windows that were donated to the project

A computer app is needed to facilitate the current property reappraisal process; consensus of the board to use "SplashTop" as recommended by Vt. Appraisal Co. representative Jordan Matte; Cathy will check with Listers for their opinion, and research reliability of "SplashTop"

Town Highways:

- Roadside mowing and gravel screening at pit are scheduled to begin next week
- Chloride tank supplier will provide a "real-time" estimate for tanks and delivery as soon as Kevin is ready to place order
- Kevin will coordinate sand and chloride stockpiling with Hunter Locke from Waterville, the snowplow contractor for Belvidere this winter
- Back Road Grant-in-Aid project in progress; Bog Road Better Roads grant project complete, with paperwork completion remaining; "Road Closed" signs need to be removed from Bog Rd.
- Slayton's Paving Service is scheduled to pave 2 aprons at the Mill Bridge and one apron at the Back Rd. and 109 intersection
- The VTrans agency will not replace the missing "Sully Drive" private road sign, and the Town has opted to not replace it either; sign and materials may be purchased by the residents of the private drive and the Town will assist them in installing it; Cathy will notify residents of the Town's decision

Other business:

- Kevin will research status of the BCS generator annual service
- **The next regular scheduled September Selectboard meeting has been rescheduled to Wednesday, September 23, 2026, with times and location as usual.**

Motion to adjourn at 8:27 by Kevin; 2nd by Earl; motion carried