

**SELECTBOARD SPECIAL MEETING
MINUTES
October 23, 2026**

I. OPEN MEETING – Chairman Begin called the October 23, 2026, special meeting to order at 3:15 P.M. Those present included Dillon Begin, Alfred Buckley, Alan Leigh, and Zachary Brown. Also present were Economic Development Committee members David Begin and Kevin Thibeault. No other members of the public were present, either in person or on Zoom.

II. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO AGENDA – No additions or deletions were made to the agenda.

III. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT – No public comments were offered.

IV. REPORT FROM HIGHWAY –

a. Highway Personnel Updates – Zach reported that five applications had been provided to the board for review. One bid had also been received, along with a verbal bid from another individual. Zach emphasized the need to review the applications and schedule interviews promptly, as snow could occur at any time. Further personnel discussion was deferred to executive session.

b. Grading and Winter Preparation – Zach reported that grading had gone well and that he would provide a more detailed update at Monday's meeting. It was confirmed that only the 2021 truck was fully equipped for winter.

V. EXECUTIVE SESSION –

a. Discussion of Potential Negotiations for the Purchase of 1281 VT Route 253, Vacant Land on VT Route 102, and Vacant Land at Ethan Allen Park – 1 V.S.A. § 313(a)(2) – Alan made a motion to enter executive session to discuss potential negotiations for the purchase of 1281 VT Route 253, vacant land on VT Route 102, and vacant land at Ethan Allen Park. The motion was seconded. David Begin and Kevin Thibeault were invited to attend. Chairman Begin called for a vote. The motion passed unanimously in the affirmative. The board entered executive session at 3:17 P.M. Al made a motion to exit executive session at 3:42 P.M., and Alan seconded. Chairman Begin asked if there was further discussion; seeing none, he called for a vote. The motion passed unanimously in the affirmative. No action was taken in executive session. David Begin and Kevin Thibeault left the meeting.

b. Personnel Updates and Issues – 1 V.S.A. § 313 (3) – If Needed – Al made a motion to enter executive session to discuss personnel updates and issues, and Alan seconded. Chairman Begin called for a vote. The motion passed unanimously in the affirmative. The board entered executive session at 3:42 P.M. Alan made a motion to exit executive session at 3:55 P.M., and Al seconded. Chairman Begin called for a vote. The motion passed unanimously in the affirmative. No action was taken in executive session.

VI. SORT MAIL/SIGN WARRANT – There was no mail or warrants to review.

VII. ADJOURN MEETING – Alan made a motion to adjourn, and Al seconded. Chairman Begin asked if there was further discussion; seeing none, he called for a vote. The motion passed unanimously in the affirmative. The meeting adjourned at 3:56 P.M.