

Wilmington Selectboard Meeting Minutes

July 15, 2025

Present: Tom Fitzgerald, Vince Rice, Tony Tribuno, Charlie Foster, John Lebron

Others Present: Scott Tucker, Jessica Archambault, Matt Murano, Marshall Dix, Christine Richter, Walt White, Mike Linnehan, Scott Moore, John Lazelle, Todd Stewart, Alan Davis, Sam Kondracki, Cearra O'Hern-DVN

Meeting called to order at 6:00 pm

1. Visitors, Public Comments, Possible Changes to the Agenda
 - Under other business set a date and time for a dog complaint hearing.
2. Approve minutes of June 17, 2025
 - Rice moved to approve the minutes of June 17, 2025, Foster second; 4-0, Tribuno abstained.
3. Action Items
 - Fitzgerald moved to approve a Client Resolution with M&T Bank, Rice second; all in favor.
 - Foster moved to accept the boat and trailer gifted to the Fire Dept from the Fire Assoc, Rice second; all in favor.
4. Police Dept
 - Rice moved to approve the updated Whitingham Policing Contract, Tribuno second; all in favor.
 - Tribuno moved approve the purchase of new tasers from Axon Enterprises in the amount of \$37,440, Rice second; all in favor.
5. 1% Local Option Tax Request
 - Fitzgerald moved to approve a 1% request from the Veterans Memorial Park in the amount of \$165,628 to finish building the park, Tribuno second; all in favor.
6. IT/Cyber Security
 - Fitzgerald moved to accept the bid from RMON for IT and Cyber Security services, Rice second; all in favor.

Entered into Liquor Commission at 6:37 pm

7. Liquor Commission

The Liquor Commission to possibly approve

- Tribuno moved to approve a Request to Cater Permit for WI Foster for an event at Brook Bound on 8/10 and 8/30/25 from 4:30- 10 pm, a Request to Cater and Open Container Exemption for an event at Memorial Hall on 8/12/25 from 6-10 pm, catered by WI Foster and a Special Event Permit for Cold Spring Spirits for an event at the Wilmington Inn on 7/21/25 from 5-9 pm, Rice second; 4-0, Foster abstained.
- Foster moved to approve a Limited Event Permit for La Casita at the Blueberry Block Party on 8/2/25 from 4-9 pm and an Open Container Exemption Permit for South Main St from the intersection at Rt 9E up to Beaver St for La Casita and Vermont Distillers on 8/2/25, Tribuno second; all in favor.

Out of Liquor Commission at 6:41 pm

8. Other Business/Correspondence

- Vicious dog complaint hearing; if all parties can be notified this week, we would like to hold it on 6/21. This will follow the special meeting to set the tax rate at 11:30.

9. Select Board Members Comments

- Foster; new GM of Hermitage will be coming in August. Chamber is looking for a new executive director.
- DVN has changed hands.

10. Town Manager's Updates

- VHB is working on their scoping study. The history of Bank Park was given to them.
- Jessica A and Christine have been working in the Assessor's Office to get the grand list and grievance done.
- Senator Seth Bongartz will visit next month.
- MERP Grant; MH window audit done.

11. Executive Session

- Fitzgerald moved to find that premature general public knowledge of the real estate purchase and personnel matters would put the town at a substantial disadvantage, all in favor.
- Fitzgerald moved to enter into executive session at 7:12 pm, to include the town manager and police chief, for the purpose of discussing a real estate purchase and a personnel matter, all in favor.

Out of executive session at 8:28 pm; no action taken.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Jessica Archambault

Approved by the Wilmington Selectboard:

Thomas Fitzgerald, Chair

Vince Rice, Vice Chair

Tony Tribuno, Clerk

Charlie Foster

John Lebron