

Wilmington Selectboard Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, February 17, 2026

Present: Tom Fitzgerald, Vince Rice, Tony Tribuno **Absent:** Charlie Foster, John Lebron
Others Present: Scott Tucker, Jessica Archambault, Alex Miller, Marshall Dix, James Walker, Jason Dubac, Tim Jones, Therese Lounsbury, Cory Ross, Steve Boyce, Sheldon Brassor, Kathleen Trinklein, Joe Saladino, Nicki Steel, Jon Hurdle, Jessica Lee Smith, Bob Bois, John Greene, Kristen Wegner, Dennis & Sharon Heberlein, Bruce Humenik, Don Mills, Tim Jones, Carol Weston, Barker Willard, Paul DiPietro, Kyle Buxton, Jessica Greene, Gretchen Havreluk, Kristen Kelly

Meeting called to order at

1. Visitors, Public Comments, Possible Changes to the Agenda
 - # 5 will be on the March 17th agenda
2. Approve Minutes of February 3 and 10, 2026
 - Tribuno moved to approve the minutes of February 3 and 10, 2026, Rice second; all in favor.
3. Action Items
 - Rice moved to approve the annual Certificate of Compliance for Road and Bridge Standards, and the annual Road and Bridge Standards, Tribuno second; all in favor.
4. 1% Local Option Tax
 - Steel commented that the Greeter Program is wonderful; they go well beyond checking for invasive species on watercrafts. Bois added his support for the program. Tribuno moved to approve the 1% request from the Greeter Program in the amount of \$3,500 plus portapotty expenses, Rice second; all in favor.
5. Windham County Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes Capacity Building Program
 - Moved to March 17th
6. Green Mountain Power
 - GMP is planning a replacement of power lines starting May 15th and expect to be completed by August 15th. They also have a project on the state road as well. Two-week notices will go out to property owners, road crew and emergency services. The town will receive weekly updates during the project. Boyd Hill will be done first to get out of the way of summer traffic. Whites Road will be next, then Minor Road; Stowe Hill is currently under way for an overhead rebuild. Tribuno moved to authorize the Town Manager to execute an agreement with Green Mountain Power for replacement of power lines on Stowe Hill, Boyd Hill, Whites Road and Minor Rd, Rice second; all in favor.

7. Chimney Hill Owners Association

- The CHOA is asking the town to change their STR permitting process. They feel the process does not comply with state fire safety standards. Many rentals have a wastewater permit for fewer rooms than are currently permitted or advertised. Does CHOA have their own bylaws to manage short-term rentals? No, and owners do not need to get approval from CHOA to rent their home. They are concerned with their water supply. They believe they have 107 units listed as STR's and only a handful are fully compliant. Many are advertising for more rooms than they are permitted by their wastewater permit. They feel constant follow-up of advertising and monitoring of the STR's should fall on the town to make sure CHOA and other owners comply. They would like the town to use software, a third-party designation and annual registration fees to pay for itself. They are also asking that the 11 permits that were issued to homes for greater occupancy than their wastewater permit allows to be corrected. Lounsbury asked why the CHOA isn't sharing their wastewater setup with the town so we could have it on record? The town has a form to file zoning complaints. Tribuno asked why CHOA isn't managing this within their own rules. A complete re-write would be required, which is on their list.

Fitzgerald moved to enter the Liquor Commission at 6:52 pm, Tribuno second; all in favor.

8. Liquor Commission

- Tribuno moved to approve a Second-Class renewal for Walgreens Eastern Co Inc, Rice second; all in favor.

Out of Liquor Commission at 6:53 pm

9. Other Business/Correspondence

10. Selectboard Members Comments

11. Town Manager's Updates

- For the second year, Jessica and Christine will be sending the town meeting warning, along with the school warning, to registered voters.
- Working through a complaint with AOT and GMP regarding banners. Most of the banners went up in the mid-90's; the newer ones went up in 2014. Any records were lost in the flood, so we are re-doing the agreement with GMP.
- Officer Herzig is at the full-time police academy.
- Water service-line inventory; working with MSK and the loan application was submitted on 2/5.
- Recreation Commission has received two grants; one for Buzzy Park and one for summer camp.
- Wilson appeal; going to Supreme Court

Meeting adjourned at 7:01 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Jessica Archambault

Approved by the Wilmington Selectboard:

Thomas Fitzgerald, Chair

Vince Rice, Vice Chair

Tony Tribuno, Clerk

Charlie Foster

John Lebron