

GREENWOOD SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES

June 3, 2025 – 5:00 pm

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Item 1: Roll call and determination of a quorum.

Roll Call: Chair Amy Chapman, Selectman Norman A. Milliard, Selectman Robert Oickle, and Town Manager Kim Sparks

Item 2: Pledge of Allegiance

Item 3: Introductions

- a. Zoom participants - none.
- b. Participants present – Gerry Nelson, resident.

Item 4: Chair Statement (if needed)

If you wish to speak, please wait until the Chair has opened the floor to Public Comment or until we are at the agenda item you wish to speak on. Once the Chair has recognized you, please stand, state your name for the record, the agenda item, and the nature of your business. All comments and questions must be addressed to the Chair.

Item 5: Approval of Warrants

Expenditure Warrant # 48 - \$ 43,011.32 covering period May 20, - May 27, 2025
Includes Voucher 1326 payable to Pine Tree Paving, \$ 24,124.00 – Transfer Station

Expenditure Warrant # 49 – \$ 32,397.23 covering period May 28 – June 3, 2025

The Board reviewed Warrant # 48 and Warrant # 49.

There was no discussion on the Warrants.

Selectman Milliard motioned and Selectman Oickle seconded to approve Warrant # 48 and Warrant # 49 as presented. Vote: 3-0. Motion passed.

Item 6: Review and approve minutes of May 20, 2025

The Board reviewed the minutes of May 20, 2025

Selectman Oickle motioned and Selectman Milliard seconded to approve the minutes as read. Vote: 3-0. Minutes are approved.

Item 7: Selectmen contacted outside of meeting.

Selectman Oickle – no contact

Selectman Milliard – no contact

Chair Chapman – while at the Transfer Station, Dale asked if she could talk with a customer (Davis Mountain Builders) who was very upset. Mr. LaRue, of Davis Mountain Builders had a large load that he stated was from Waterford and that he had purchased a commercial tag and punch cards that he thought meant he could bring items from other Towns to our Transfer Station. Chair Chapman stated that she explained to Mr. LaRue that if this was from Waterford it needed to go to the Waterford Transfer Station. Chair Chapman stated that Mr. LaRue was very upset and asked the Town to pay him back his money for the purchase of the punch cards.

Item 8: Comments from the Public – no comment

Item 9: Agenda Items – (15-minute limit per item)

- a. Request for letter of agreement and support to change the name of Mud Pond to Twilight Pond

Gerry Nelson updated the Board on his progress to get Mud Pond name changed to Twilight Pond. Gerry explained that he is in the process of completing the name change application to the Federal Board on Geographic Names and part of the application process he is asking if the Town would be willing to supply a letter of agreement and support for the name change. Selectman Oickle asked who has the authority to change the name. Gerry explained that the Federal Board on Geographic names is the only entity that has the authority to change the name. Selectman Oickle asked if the Town or townspeople have to give permission. Gerry stated that the Town doesn't give permission, just agreement and support. Kim stated that Gerry did go and ask the property owners who live on the pond. Gerry stated that it was correct, and no one had any objection to the change. Selectman Oickle asked if this is a done deal. Gerry explained that it could take them up to three months to approve the change.

Selectman Milliard asked Gerry to clarify something for him. Selectman Milliard referred to the BGN application, under the naming basics section, it says, "Proposed Name: Twilight Pond, then it asks if this is to change an existing name? with the answer of yes, and then it asks is this name in current local use with the answer no, and that would be in reference to the name Twilight Pond and not the current vernacular Mud Pond. Gerry answered that it was correct. Selectman Milliard stated that it mentions that Twilight Pond is also mentioned in several Town ordinances and reports. Selectman Milliard asked when it has ever been referenced as Twilight Pond in Town documents. Kim explained that it is listed as Mud/Twilight Pond in the Town's Comprehensive Plan. Chair Chapman stated that the Comp Plan is about 20 years old. Gerry stated that it is referenced as Twilight Pond in several of the Town's Annual Reports over the years.

Selectman Milliard stated that Gerry is the individual who is advocating for renaming it. Gerry answered yes. Selectman Milliard asked when it was in our reports saying Mud/Twilight and where did that come from. Kim stated that they couldn't find any documentation as to when or why it started being called Twilight Pond. Chair Chapman stated that maybe it was a local name like Roxbury Pond that has several names. Kim explained that they checked with Chris Dunham, and he couldn't find any documentation.

Selectman Oickle stated that if Gerry submits this with our letter of support and it goes to this group, what would be a circumstance that they wouldn't approve it. Chair Chapman stated that they might not approve of it if there was already a pond with that name or if there was public opposition. Gerry stated that no one knows and in reading some of the instructions it can't be a frivolous application. Kim stated that the instructions also state that they will deny a name change when the previous name was named after a person. Gerry stated that it was correct and/or if it was named after a historic event. Selectman Oickle stated that he would want to approve but then worried that there would be an uproar.

Selectman Milliard asked Kim when she posts on the Town's social media platform, does she ever get feedback either positive or negative. Kim stated that in most cases she does get feedback. Kim stated that she would post something about this. Selectman Milliard stated that he thinks it would be appropriate to send out a social media post that the Town is seriously considering supporting an application to

rename Mud Pond to Twilight Pond. Selectman Oickle stated that this is not up to the Town. Chair Chapman stated that the Town is considering supporting a request. Selectman Oickle stated that he would support the change but would like to see some type of public notification of what is going on and to make sure that there is no major issue. Selectman Milliard stated that he is ok with that and would like to see a public outreach to determine whether or not if people approve of the change. The Board agreed that a 7-day comment period would be great and then at the next Selectmen's meeting if there is no huge backlash from the comment period the Board could then do their letter of support for Gerry's application. Kim stated that she would draft a social media post for the Board to review before posting it.

b. Discuss and review Road Advisory Committee policy.

The Board reviewed the policy and agreed that it was what we need. Kim stated that she has three people interested in joining the Committee, Weldon Lucas, Brian Dunham, and Mark Doherty. Selectman Oickle stated that was great news. Kim stated that she would have appointment paperwork for the Board to review at their next meeting.

c. Discuss Maine Repeal State Biennial Budget

Kim updated the Board on the petitions circulating across the State to repeal the State Biennial Budget. Kim stated that June 13th is the deadline for the Town to receive the petitions, and June 20th is the filing deadline with the State. Kim stated that there have been no petitions submitted to Greenwood at this point. Kim explained that if enough signatures are collected, the State's budget would not go into effect on July 1st. Selectman Milliard stated that the State then would revert to using the prior year's budget. Kim stated that is what she thought would happen. Kim stated that she has seen a lot of advertising asking voters not to sign this petition. Chair Chapman stated that she hopes that people read and understand when they sign the petition. Selectman Millard stated that the wording can be very confusing. Kim stated that she would update the Board at their next meeting.

d. Discuss request from Old Glory Bees, request to install 3 Bee Hives on Town property. *Per our Insurance Company: As discussed, Honeybees are okay as long as:*

- You get a COI (Certificate of Insurance) from the owner with the Town listed as AI.
- The owner puts up a rope or something with a sign that states Honeybees so the general public can identify the risk.

Selectman Milliard stated that he was glad to see our insurance company suggested these items. Selectman Oickle stated that he was as well but was concerned about setting a precedent by allowing a business to use Town property. Chair Chapman asked if anyone else uses Town property and thought of Mr. Yates who asks to trap every year. Selectman Milliard stated that Mr. Yates doesn't pay the Town to trap but asked if we know what he traps. Kim stated that Mr. Yates trapped coyotes. Chair Chapman stated that she was fine with allowing them to install the bee hives as long as they met our insurance requirements. Selectman Oickle stated that he was not due to setting a precedent. Selectman Milliard suggested that we table this item to give them more time to think this over. Selectman Milliard motioned and Selectmen Oickle seconded to table this item until their next meeting. Vote: 3-0. Motion passes.

e. Discuss and review sample Campground Ordinances

Kim stated that she read the minutes from the meeting that she missed on April 8, 2025, and noticed that the Board had asked us to get them some sample campground ordinances. Selectman Oickle asked where this request came from. Kim explained that Anne and John Kwoka had attended the April 8th meeting and stated their concerns about a proposed campground in the Irish Neighborhood area. Chair Chapman stated that she remembers their conversation. Kim explained that the applicant attended a Planning Board meeting asking for a Site Plan permit and the Board directed him to the State to get his State license first and then return to the Planning Board. Chair Chapman stated that the Board needed to review the State requirements to determine if they wanted something stricter for Greenwood. Kim stated that she would send them the link to the State site on licensing campgrounds.

f. Discuss condition of Greenwood Boat Launch on Round Pond

Kim stated that she received a report that someone was pulling their trailer out of the boat launch today and their trailer tire was shredded. Kim stated that three of the concrete slabs of the launch had been pushed to the side leaving rebar exposed. Kim stated that the exposed rebar is what is causing the shredded tires. Kim stated that she had contacted Inland Fisheries and Wildlife and DEP to find out what permits they need to file to get the launch repaired. Kim stated that she would keep the Board updated and get this repaired as soon as possible.

g. Review and sign Spirit of America Award in memory of Gilbert Dunham

The Board reviewed and made a few changes. Kim will get it updated and bring it back to the next meeting for their signature.

Item 10: Other business and communications

Item 11: Town Manager update to the Board of Selectmen – see attached.

Item 12: Executive Session per 1 MRSA per § 405 (6) (A) – Personnel matters.

Selectman Milliard motioned and Selectman Oickle seconded to go into Executive Session per 1 MRSA per § 405 (6) (A) – Personnel matters at 5:50pm. Vote: 3-0.

Selectman Oickle motioned and Selectman Milliard seconded to come out of Executive Session at 6:15pm. Vote: 3-0. Executive Session is closed. No action taken.

Item 13: Meetings and Events

June 10th – School Budget Vote, 8am to 8pm, GTO

June 12th – Bar Harbor Bank & Trust Zoom Meeting, 9am GTO

June 16th – Area Selectmen's Workshop, 5pm to 7pm, Legion Hall

June 17th – Selectmen's Meeting, 5:00pm GTO

Item 14: Adjourn - having no further business, Selectman Milliard motioned and Selectman Oickle seconded to adjourn the meeting at 6:18pm. Vote: 3-0. Meeting is adjourned.