

TOWN OF PEACHAM
Wednesday, June 3, 2026
Selectboard Meeting
Hybrid meeting in the Peacham Library Community Room and via Zoom

Attendance

In-person: Alfred Dedam, Selectboard Chair, William Kempton, Selectboard, Christian Snow, Selectboard, Rebecca Washington, Town Clerk, Jeremy Withers, Road Foreman, Mark Clough, School Board, Bruce Westcott, Kelton Bogasky

Via Zoom: Andrea Otto, Selectboard, Guido Carlone

Minutes

1. Call to order by Alfred at 06:30pm, on Wednesday, June 3, 2026.
2. Additions to the agenda
 - a. Guido Carlone – drone use permission request
 - i. Emailed a request to launch a drone from Peacham Town property for footage of the church. He did all the due diligence about rules and regulations prior to making the request.
 1. **William moved to grant Guido Carlone permission to launch his drone from Town property, seconded by Christian, all in favor, so moved.**
3. Highway Department Update
 - a. Bayley-Hazen paving done. Haven't done a small patch, but will be back in a couple weeks.
 - b. "Chervil chopper" is at work.
 - c. All but one class 4 road have been done.
 - d. Engineer is finalizing plan for Mill Trace Bridge. Work will begin soon.
 - e. Bruce Westcott commented about chervil and drainage on Academy Hill.
Discussion about runoff on that road.
4. Town Clerk/Treasurer Update
 - a. Special Town Meeting had a good showing
 - b. New door to office. Keys coming.
 - c. We have borrowed half of TAN. Due to renovations, the capital fund is not available to help cash flow, so she has to rely on the TAN instead. She's keeping a close eye on it.
 - d. Cemetery Deed - Previously approved deed gift transfer turned out to be only half a plot. To resolve, deed was transferred back to the town and now town needs to transfer to the other owner, Pamela Goodenough.
 - i. **William moved to transfer the rest of Pamela Goodenough's plot to her, seconded by Christian, all in favor, so moved.**

5. Zero-Sort Discussion
 - a. Kelton Bogasky, representative from Casella, explained how zero-sort works, where it goes, and the options for collection, and answered clarifying questions from the board. He will work with the Selectboard to do a price comparison based on our usage.
6. School Purchase Discussion – Mark Clough
 - a. Copy of lease for each board member. Mark got the lease cleared by the School's insurance. VLCT will take over as insurer, so need them to review. School's insurance will cover liability and contents. Invoices for building coverage would be given to School Board to pay. William asked about where the right of first refusal was located, Mark will verify it's included. The solar panels are leased by an investor from Texas, there would be an amendment with that lease for our records. Recently renewed on a 7-year lease. They last 20-25 years. Radon tested came back clear. Mark explained that the lease has language to prevent complete reversal by a less cooperative Selectboard. The lease also includes language requiring the town to advise the insurer that they want to rebuild after a fire as long as there is a school there. Mark requested including details about making the building a town-wide emergency use shelter. Bruce Westcott encouraged the board to discuss it with LAMP. Mark noted that it'd have to be discussed with the insurance. School and Town lawyers can collaborate. Bruce asked about any implications for the town balance sheet, Rebecca responded that she knew of none.
 - i. **Alfred moved to send the lease to Ed Adrian for review, seconded by Christian, all in favor, so moved.**
7. Town Hall renovation – Rusty Barber – no present
8. Public comment – none
9. Approve minutes
 - a. **William moved to approve minutes from Wednesday, May 20, 2026, seconded by Christian, all in favor, so moved.**
10. Review and approve bills
 - a. **Christian moved to approve bills as presented by the town treasurer, seconded William, all in favor, so moved.**
11. Review correspondence
 - a. Call from Peter Craig expressing concern about lack of flag on monument for Memorial Day. Alfred explained that Peter felt it was the Sexton or the Selectboard Chair's responsibility. Alfred did not see it in the Sexton job description, as the cemetery is not part of the cemetery. Alfred did not feel it was his duty either, so he suggested appointing a steward to make sure the flag is hung at the appropriate times.

- b. Mowing contractor emailed some questions for Alfred. Discussion about some smaller mowing spots in town. Rebecca noted that she received a call about the East Peacham mailbox section not being mowed.
 - c. Email from Karina Morales of CCNRCD inquiring about Gov Mattocks update regarding the formal language for reclassification. They have selected an engineer and hope to have a site visit on June 11th.
 - d. Email about sneakers hanging of power lines on Slack St.
 - e. Email from Jeff Lamphere concerned about UTV use on Keiser Pond Rd with the uptick in Ag use on that road. Alfred clarified that to his knowledge, we don't have an active UTV road use policy, so he's understanding is that it's not allowed, but also that the Selectboard is not able to do the enforcement.
 - f. Email follow up about request to put a bench in the cemetery. Alfred will follow up with the Cemetery Committee.
 - g. Christian discussed metal roof for dumpster, and will follow up.
12. William moves to adjourn at 7:55pm, seconded by Christian, all in favor, so moved.

Documents provided to the Selectboard and discussed at this meeting are available by request to the Town Office.