

**TOWN OF COLEBROOK
BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

MINUTES

**Monday, March 9th, 2026
Regular Meeting**

Members Present

AJ Ruwet
Alyssa Correll
Brad Bremer

Members Absent

Others Present

Debi McKeon

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. in the Town Hall Land Use office.
2. There was no public comment.
3. There was a motion by Alyssa Correll to consider the minutes from the February 9th regular meeting (in addition to the February 24th special meeting, as indicated on the agenda). AJ Ruwet seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Minutes from both meetings were approved as distributed.
4. The Road Foreman's report was accepted. The contest at Colebrook Consolidated School to name DPW's new snowplow (delivery expected this spring) was discussed. Salt delivery delays were discussed, as well as the town's decision to exercise late penalties per the NHCOC contract.
5. There were no Legal issues to discuss.
6. AJ Ruwet moved that the Board appoint Frankie Polidoro and Karen Odell to the "Slow Down Colebrook" Advisory Committee. Alyssa Correll seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
7. Town Clerk Debi McKeon briefed the Board on the General Code update. Alyssa Correll moved that an ordinance be considered at the May Town Meeting to accept the General Code, as amended. AJ Ruwet seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
8. The Board discussed the FY 25/26 budget and agreed to approve a request for stipend in lieu of health insurance (\$1,500/year per town policy) from a benefit-eligible town employee.
9. The Board discussed the proposed FY 26/27 budget (reflecting an approximate 2% increase, year-over-year). The Board agreed to continue with the current employee health plan, with no changes. The Board discussed a proposal from USA Recycling to offer the town trash & recycling disposal services (currently contracted through the state Department of Administrative Services through June 30, 2026). No action was taken.
10. There were no tax refunds.
11. Bills were approved, as presented.
12. Alyssa Correll moved that the Board add an item to the agenda to consider a resolution authorizing the town to pursue a federal grant. AJ Ruwet seconded. Motion carried unanimously. AJ Ruwet moved that the Board adopt a resolution (see attached) expressing its full support for the pursuit of a federal grant for construction of a new public works garage. Alyssa Correll seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
13. Bills were approved as presented.
14. Meeting adjourned at 7:26 p.m. on a motion by AJ Ruwet, seconded by Alyssa Correll.

Respectfully submitted,


Brad Bremer, First Selectman



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WHEREAS, the Department of Public Works is essential to the provision of core municipal services, including road maintenance, snow removal, vehicle repair, stormwater management, and the upkeep of public infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, investing in a modern public works garage will improve response times, reduce equipment downtime, enhance worker safety, and extend the lifespan of municipal vehicles and assets; and

WHEREAS, a new facility will allow for energy-efficient design, compliance with environmental standards, and long-term cost savings for taxpayers; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Colebrook seeks to ensure that the Department of Public Works has the infrastructure needed to meet current and future community needs;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Colebrook Board of Selectmen hereby expresses its full support for the pursuit of a federal grant to fund the construction of a new public works garage.

Adopted by the Colebrook Board of Selectmen on this ninth day of March, 2026.

Brad Bremer
First Selectman