

**Town of Nelson  
Selectmen's Meeting  
3:00 PM**

January 7, 2026

Executive Board Attending: Brenna Kucinski, Mike Blaudschun, Don Carlisle, Edie Drinkwater, Admin. Assist.

Others attending: J. Filipi

***Absent:***

Brenna called the January 7, 2026 meeting of the Nelson Select Board to order at 3:02 PM.

- Mike made a motion to approve the minutes for December 30, 2025 as recorded.

Brenna seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

- Mike made a motion to approve the manifest for December 31, 2025 as presented (Updated).

Brenna seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

- Mike made a motion to approve the manifest for January 7, 2026 as presented.

Brenna seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

- Following multiple revisions of the Proposed Police budget, the Board agreed to remove the costs associated with the Code enforcement investigator and Mike, then, made a motion to approve the 2026 proposed Police budget at \$186,209.

Brenna seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

- The Board agreed to add funds to the administrative budget to cover site inspections for Building Permits and variances. Mike agreed to cover this job at a \$50 stipend per site visit which the Board agreed to.

- Due to a pending repair bill for the Peterbilt truck that is expected to run approximately \$15,000, Mike made a motion to approve an increase in the previously approved Highway 2026 proposed budget with a new total of \$511,555.

Brenna seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

- Mike made a motion to approve a letter to the Trustees of Trust Funds requesting \$1,000 from the Munsonville Cemetery General maintenance trust fund for the removal of a dying maple tree, stumping and debris removal. This was previously discussed with the Cemetery Board and all agreed and is in accordance with the Selectmen's authority as agents to expend these funds.

Brenna seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

● Mike made a motion to approve the annual Selectmen's Certificate for inclusion in the Town report.  
Brenna seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

● Mike made a motion to approve a response letter to R. Thomas who had voiced a concern and requested details regarding the number and types of Police calls during the year.

Brenna seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

● Following a line item review, Mike made a motion to approve the 2026 Proposed Zoning Board budget.

Brenna seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

● Following a line item review, Mike made a motion to approve the 2026 Proposed Planning Board budget.

Brenna seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

● Following a full review by all Board members, Mike made a motion to approve the 2025 Selectmen's report for inclusion in the Town Report.

Brenna seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

● The Board discussed the news that Lew Derby will be retiring as Town Moderator and not running for reelection. Don was tasked with determining an appropriate farewell.

● Discussion returned to the Code enforcement stipend and the Board agreed to add \$1,000 to the Administrative budget to cover the anticipated cost of site visits for Building Permits and Variances to be covered by M. Blaudschun.

● With nothing further, Brenna made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Mike seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

Meeting Adjourned 4:22 PM

Next regular meeting January 14, 2026 at 3:00 PM

Minutes for January 7, 2026

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Brenna Kucinski, Chair

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Michael Blaudschun, Selectman

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Don Carlisle, Selectman