

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

October 15, 2025

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

Others attending: M. Tarr

Absent:

Brenna called the October 15, 2025 meeting of the Nelson Select Board to order at 3:06 PM.

●Mike made a motion to approve the Public and Non-Public meeting minutes for October 8, 2025 as recorded.

Brenna seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

● Mike made a motion to approve the manifest for October 15, 2025 as presented.

Brenna seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

● Upon reviewing a request for 2026 Budget funding, Mike made a motion to approve \$500 to be added to the Social Services warrant article for Hundred Nights, noting that it is the same amount as last year.

Brenna seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

● Following a brief discussion, Mike made a motion to approve a letter to the Cermak Family Trust regarding a property owner's responsibility for a private well.

Brenna seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

● Mike made a motion to approve the 2026 "Reval Year" assessing contract with Avitar Associates in the amount of \$33,828.

Brenna seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

● Mike made a motion to approve the 2026 membership dues for SWRPC in the amount of \$814.00.

Brenna seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

●The Board reviewed a request from Nelson in Common to hold a contra dance in February 2026 and to be granted use of the Town Hall rent free. (The public would not be charged admission) Following a brief discussion, Mike made a motion not to approve free rent but to charge the rental fee allowed for residents (\$95).

Brenna seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

●The Board briefly reviewed a report from J. Yardley that was written by N. Iselin on behalf of the Conservation Commission detailing site visits to properties under conservation easement monitoring as well as properties in general that have been visited because they were granted building permits. The Board has concerns regarding the latter site visits and views this as an invasion without authority. Brenna will discuss this with the Conservation Commission at their next meeting and recommend that it stop and be left up to the Code enforcement investigator, W. Kassotis. In the mean time the Board would like to receive an electronic copy of N. Iselin's site visit report for further review.

● There are several properties on Murdough Hill Road that are currently engaged in logging operations. There has been some concern over the noise, AM start time while still dark, and the amount of mud and debris left in the road. Police Chief Filipi will be asked to contact the logger and inform them of their responsibility for any road damage.

● Due to a history of grievances concerning the maintenance of Spaeth Road, the Board has decided to draft a letter to property owners whose property access is on Spaeth Road, to ask their thoughts on potentially changing the road classification from Class V to Class VI which results in discontinuance of town maintenance.

● Mike made a motion to approve a letter to D. Upton acknowledging receipt of his letter to the Select Board.

Brenna seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

● M. Tarr came before the Board to report on his examination of the erosion at the Granite Lake Dam. He found the condition to be "as bad as the Granite Lake Dam Bridge was" prior to its repair. He believes that a flowable concrete material is needed to make a repair and states that it is worse than he first thought. Tarr will plan to meet with B. Roeder for a joint site visit and then both will be asked to attend the Selectmen's meeting on October 29, 2025.

●Before adjourning, the Board reconfirmed that the Conservation Commission will be instructed not to trespass on another's property and if a violation is noticed it should be reported to the Select Board who will ask W. Kassotis to investigate and if necessary then DES will be notified.

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

Mike seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

Meeting Adjourned 4:20 PM

Next regular meeting October 22, 2025 at 3:00 PM

Minutes for October 15, 2025

Brenna Kucinski, Chair

Michael Blaudschun, Selectman

Don Carlisle, Selectman