

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

December 03, 2025

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

Others attending: J. Filipi

***Absent:***

Brenna called the December 03, 2025 meeting of the Nelson Select Board to order at 3:00 PM.

- Mike made a motion to approve the minutes for November 19, 2025 as recorded.

Brenna seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

- Mike made a motion to approve the manifest for November 26, 2025 as presented.

Brenna seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

- Mike made a motion to approve the manifest for December 03, 2025 as presented.

Brenna seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

- Mike made a motion to approve a Report of Cut and Certification for C. & L. Kirk on Murdough Hill Road.

Brenna seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

- J. Filipi came before the Board to review the proposed Police Budget for 2026. The budget is very much the same as last year with the \$6,937 increase due to Cost of living allowances and general cost increases not in the Department's control, such as insurance and NH Retirement. This is just over 3.5 % increase. With all in agreement, Mike made a motion to approve the 2026 proposed Police budget as presented.

Brenna seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

- The Board encouraged Filipi to develop a list of calls for Police service as well as extra services, such as Fire and Rescue calls he responds to. This will give the residents an overview of what the Police department has responded to this year.

- Filipi reported that the current part-time Harrisville Police officer is scheduled to attend the NH Full-time Police Academy with anticipation of becoming the full-time Police Chief for Harrisville. At this time Harrisville has been unsuccessful in hiring a second officer to cover the town while their current candidate for Chief is away at the academy. They are seeking assistance with police coverage and discussion is beginning between J. Filipi and the current Harrisville officer regarding how Filipi could offer them some part-time or emergency coverage. Several options may be on the table but talks are just in the preliminary stages. Some sort of reciprocal coverage for the future could benefit both towns as the Chiefs could offer emergency coverage to the other's town when their days off are alternating. Filipi is also considering taking a course in Police Prosecution that could help both towns as well as eliminate the county prosecutor cost needed in the current Nelson budget.

- Filipi reported that he is not planning to take time off for his remaining vacation time and requests that he receive the time in additional pay for his remaining hours. The Board agreed as this has been a Town Policy option for vacation time during a current year.
- The Board will review a draft warrant article for the Police Revolving Fund at the next meeting. It is planned to be presented in the Warrant prior to the current "Police Detail" article which will be written with a higher limit. (Mike suggested perhaps \$10,000). If passed then the current detail article would not be needed and could be passed over.
- Filipi reported that internet service remains spotty at best and he is still seeking options for improvement. Fidium was out to check the location a couple weeks ago but could not offer a better service as their fiber hook up is not yet available at that location. Filipi will reach out to "Fiberblast" to see if they have a better solution that is available now.
- After Mutual Aid was unable to find cables needed to repair the police radar, Filipi continued searching and has come up with the cables needed to put the radar back in operation.
- Following a review of all submitted plans, Mike made a motion to approve a Building Permit for W. Klemperer for a steel workshop/garage.  
Brenna seconded.  
The motion carried 3-0.
- Mike made a motion to approve the Representation letter accepting the 2024 audit.  
Brenna seconded.  
The motion carried 3-0.
- Following a review of a bid from SWRPC to conduct a culvert inventory and assessment, Brenna made a motion not to accept the service.  
Mike seconded.  
The motion carried 3-0. Mike suggested that M. Tarr look over the proposal in case he feels the Board should take another look.
- Following a line item review of the proposed Conservation Commission budget for 2026, Brenna made a motion to approve the budget as submitted.  
Mike seconded.  
The motion carried 3-0.
- Edie noted that she has made 3 prior requests to receive an insurance offset stipend that is approximately \$13,000 less than the family insurance provided to the other full-time employees. Following a brief discussion, Mike made a motion to approve the annual stipend based on the actual out-of-pocket cost which ranges annually between \$3,000 to roughly \$3,800. The stipend to begin in 2025 when the full year costs have been totaled.  
Brenna seconded.  
The motion carried 3-0.

● With nothing further, Mike made a motion to adjourn the meeting.  
Brenna seconded.  
The motion carried 3-0.

Meeting Adjourned 4:28 PM

Next regular meeting December 10, 2025 at 3:00 PM

Minutes for December 03, 2025

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Brenna Kucinski, Chair

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Michael Blaudschun, Selectman

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Don Carlisle, Selectman