

**Town of Sherman
Board of Selectmen Monthly Meeting
Mallory Town Hall
May 28, 2026 at 7PM**

Present: First Selectman Don Lowe; Selectman Bob Ostrosky; Treasurer Andrea Maloney

Absent: Selectman Joel Bruzinski; Chris Fuchs

Invited & Audience: Business Manager Liz LaVia; Nelson Fall; PW Supervisor Kris Fazzino (7:16)

Clerk: Nicole Zegley

Call to Order: First Selectman Don Lowe called the meeting to order at 7:00PM followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Public Comment: None

3. Correspondence: None

4. Administrative Items:

A motion was made to approve the minutes from the April 23, 2026 meeting.

Approval of April 23, 2026 Meeting Minutes

Motioned By: First Selectman Don Lowe

Seconded By: Selectman Bob Ostrosky

All in Favor: Unanimous

A motion was made to approve the minutes from the April 13, 2026 meeting.

Approval of April 13, 2026 Budget Workshop Minutes

Motioned By: First Selectman Don Lowe

Seconded By: Selectman Bob Ostrosky

All in Favor: Unanimous

A motion was made to approve the minutes from the May 12, 2026 meeting.

Approval of May 12, 2026 Budget Workshop Minutes

Motioned By: First Selectman Don Lowe

Seconded By: Selectman Bob Ostrosky

All in Favor: Unanimous

Financial Review: Business Manager Liz LaVia updated the Board that everything is tracking as expected. She continues to track EMS contracted

services which will require additional funding of \$50,000 by the end of the year. Park and Rec will need further funding as well. Requests will be made in late June.

Tax Refunds/Tax Suspension: First Selectman Don Lowe announced the tax refunds for approval.

A Motion was made to approve a tax refund in the amount of \$843.67.

Motioned By: First Selectman Don Lowe

Seconded By: Selectman Bob Ostrosky

All in Favor: Unanimous

Acknowledgments/Appointments: None

5. Information & Discussion:

- a. **SVFD:** Fire Chief Chris Fuchs, unable to attend, messaged First Selectman Don Lowe that the month of May has been particularly busy with many days with multiple fire and ambulance calls. They have responded to 137 emergency calls. Crews have been putting in long hours. Members have trained on handling psychiatric emergencies, new mapping software and fire equipment. The Firemen's Ball will be held on August 1st.
- b. **HRRA:** First Selectman Don Lowe tabled this item until the June meeting when Selectman Joel Bruzinski will be present. Changes to the language used in two sections are still being corrected.
- c. **Public Works Update:** PW Supervisor Kris Fazzone gave a brief update on the work completed prepping Veteran's Field for Memorial Day celebrations, and continued tree work. Chip sealing has been completed on Chimney Hill, Leach Hollow and Wauweehoo.
- d. **Anderson Road Resurfacing:** First Selectman Don Lowe updated the Board on the repaving cost of approximately \$600,000 and suggested Fall as a possible start date. Business Manager Liz LaVia explained the budget amount for this year of \$325,000 has already been spent. Then \$330,000 as of July 1st will become available. Approval would need to go to Town Meeting. More information and research will be needed. This item will be moved to the June BOS meeting.
- e. **Sherman School Renovation Project:** First Selectman Don Lowe explained the progress on the school continues. Financially, the project remains on budget. Due to winter delays, students will now move into the building after winter break in January of 2027.
- f. **Sherman Senior Center Building Committee:** First Selectman Don Lowe explained the loss of the architect and the delays creating a new RFP.

- g. Veterans Field Bathrooms:** First Selectman Don Lowe explained that the bathroom repairs at Veterans Field have been completed. After 8 years they are in need of some repairs. Nelson Fall completed the work and came in under budget.
- h. Town Beach Dock Slips Project Report:** First Selectman Don Lowe moved the meeting to discuss the boat slips and his meeting with First Light. It was suggested to move a dock to the south side of the beach. The Board felt that more public input will be needed from both residents and Park and Rec.
- i. Sherman Playhouse Power Upgrade:** First Selectman Don Lowe explained that he spoke with Missy and her Board has decided to develop a plan and present it to the Board of Selectmen when they are ready.
- j. Mallory Town Hall Security:** First Selectman Don Lowe explained that the town is looking for a system to make employees feel safer when they are in the building and working after hours. This item was moved to the June meeting when Selectman Joel Bruzinski will be present.

Other Business: None

Public Comment: None

Adjournment:

Motioned By: First Selectman Don Lowe

Seconded: Selectman Bob Ostrosky

Time: 8:01PM

Respectfully Submitted By Nicole Zegley