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**THOMASTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
REGULAR MEETING  
TUESDAY, AUGUST 19, 2025**

Meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. In attendance were First Selectman Mone, Selectman Burr and Selectman Dunn. Deborah Bournival was available to take the minutes.

**Pledge** - Pledge was recited by all.

**Approval of Minutes:**

Motion was made by Selectman Burr and seconded by Selectman Dunn to approve the minutes of both the July 15, 2025 regular meeting and the minutes of the July 23, 2025 special meeting as presented. Motion carries unanimously.

**New Business/Subordination Request for Small Cities – 606 Walnut Hill Road:**

We received a letter from Peter Testa of A&E Services, the consulting firm that handles our CDBG small cities loans. The letter explains that owners of 606 Walnut Hill Road are requesting a subordination of their small cities loans to allow for their refinancing of their home. They have applied for a home equity loan in the amount of \$100,000.

**New Business/Resignation Letter from Cassie Gorman/Tax Collector:**

We received a letter from Cassie Gorman formally resigning from her position as Tax Collector effective as of the close of business on August 21, 2025. She has been offered a new position with another municipality that would provide significant benefits for her and her family. First Selectman Mone will make a recommendation to both town chairs to try and find a candidate to go through the election process. The assistant will fill in until someone is chosen. Selectmen agree.

Motion was made by Selectman Burr and seconded by Selectman Dunn to accept her resignation with regrets. Motion carries unanimously.

### **New Business/Potential Sites for Town's Municipal Waste and Recycling:**

First Selectman Mone has been asking for proposals from companies for the processing of municipal waste and single-stream recycling for the Town prior to the next budget season. He received two proposals; one from Murphy Road Recycling and the other from Reworld. Per First Selectman Mone, Reworld can only take our MSW, but Murphy can do both. Pricing between the two companies was discussed, but both selectmen feel they need more time to review.

Motion was made by Selectman Dunn and seconded by Selectman Burr to table this discussion until the next regular meeting. Motion carries unanimously.

### **New Business/Potential Town Meeting – Greenway on Elm Street:**

The Town received a LOTCIP grant in the amount of \$4M to do Elm Street roadway, drainage, sewer and sidewalk improvements, which will also include a segment of the greenway trail. Engineers for the Town, Tighe & Bond, presented two options for these improvements when they met with residents at a special informational meeting last week. As both Selectman Dunn and Selectman Burr were not at that informational meeting, they would like to table further discussions until the next regular meeting. They would also like all the players to be at the next BOS meeting including reps from NVCOG, Greenway Committee members and the engineers. First Selectman Mone said he would not bring the engineers back at this point.

Motion was made by Selectman Burr and seconded by Selectman Dunn to table until the next regular meeting. Motion carries unanimously.

**Old Business** – none.

### **Board/Commission Appointments/Resignations:**

Motion was made by Selectman Dunn and seconded by Selectman Burr to appoint Beth Campbell to the Ambulance Commission replacing Wayne Kamens who recently resigned. Her term will end July 30, 2028. Motion carries unanimously.

### **Tax Refunds:**

A motion was made by Selectman Dunn and seconded by Selectman Burr to approve the tax refund submitted by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$14.87 to Alija Mujaj, vehicle junked October, 2024. Motion carries unanimously.

A motion was made by Selectman Dunn and seconded by Selectman Burr to approve the tax refund submitted by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$692.34 to VW Credit Leasing Ltd., car moved and registered in Florida per Assessor. Motion carries unanimously.

A motion was made by Selectman Dunn and seconded by Selectman Burr to approve the tax refund submitted by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$93.78 to Robert Shea, vehicle sold July, 2025. Motion carries unanimously.

A motion was made by Selectman Dunn and seconded by Selectman Burr to approve the tax refund submitted by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$12.56 to Chris Strum, vehicle sold July, 2025. Motion carries unanimously.

A motion was made by Selectman Dunn and seconded by Selectman Burr to approve the tax refund submitted by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$172.10 to BC Law Firm for overpayment. Motion carries unanimously.

A motion was made by Selectman Dunn and seconded by Selectman Burr to approve the tax refund submitted by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$200.93 to Jonathan O'Hazo, moved out of state. Motion carries unanimously.

A motion was made by Selectman Dunn and seconded by Selectman Burr to approve the tax refund submitted by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$2,088.15 to Central Connecticut Cable Company, sent to Waterbury. Motion carries unanimously.

A motion was made by Selectman Dunn and seconded by Selectman Burr to approve the tax refund submitted by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$1,807.05 to Central Connecticut Cable Company, sent to Waterbury. Motion carries unanimously.

A motion was made by Selectman Dunn and seconded by Selectman Burr to approve the tax refund submitted by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$1,458.76 to Central Connecticut Cable Company, sent to Waterbury. Motion carries unanimously.

A motion was made by Selectman Dunn and seconded by Selectman Burr to approve the tax refund submitted by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$2,698.58 to Unimetal Surface Finishing, air pollution exemption. Motion carries unanimously.

A motion was made by Selectman Dunn and seconded by Selectman Burr to approve the tax refund submitted by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$108.41 to Adam Liberatore, vehicle sold November, 2024. Motion carries unanimously.

A motion was made by Selectman Dunn and seconded by Selectman Burr to approve the tax refund submitted by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$3,248.69 to So Pen Cheng, homeowner paid in error – bank escrows. Motion carries unanimously.

A motion was made by Selectman Dunn and seconded by Selectman Burr to approve the tax refund submitted by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$94.01 to JP Morgan Chase Bank, vehicle traded in July, 2025. Motion carries unanimously.

A motion was made by Selectman Dunn and seconded by Selectman Burr to approve the tax refund submitted by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$334.01 to Hyundai Capital America, moved out of state March, 2024. Motion carries unanimously.

**Communications:**

Motion was made by Selectman Burr and seconded by Selectman Dunn to add to the agenda a complaint letter from the owner of Tramonti Restaurant re: treatment by a member of the fire department. Selectman Burr suggests the Fire Commission handles this letter

We received two letters; one from David Shypinka announcing his retirement from the position of Highway Maintainer effective September 12<sup>th</sup> and the other from Rich Bidmead announcing his retirement from the position of Crew Leader effective September 1<sup>st</sup> from the Highway Department. Selectman Burr said much thought went into each of these letters and we accept with regrets.

Motion was made by Selectman Burr and seconded by Selectman Dunn to accept both resignations with regrets. Motion carries unanimously.

**Public Comment** – none.

**A motion was made by Selectman Burr and seconded by Selectman Dunn to adjourn the meeting at 7:21 p.m. Motion carries unanimously.**