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**THOMASTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN
REGULAR MEETING
VIA ZOOM MEETING
TUESDAY, AUGUST 4, 2026**

Call to Order & Roll Call:

The meeting was called to order by First Selectman Sileo at 6:02 p.m. First Selectman Sileo, Selectman Burr and Selectman Campbell were attendance.

Pledge of Allegiance – by all in attendance.

Approval of Minutes:

Selectman Burr said he has one correction to make. Under Old Business/Job Description – Reporting Coordinator, he did second the motion to approve the job description of the Reporting Coordinator, but he voted “No” as he was not in favor of it. It should have said “motion carries 2-1 with Selectman Burr noting No”.

Motion was made by Selectman Campbell and seconded by First Selectman Sileo to approve the meeting minutes of the regular meeting of July 21, 2026 as amended.

New Business/TVAC Agreement:

First Selectman Sileo said we have an agreement with the Ambulance Corps that is currently way beyond its expiration. We need to draft something new and hence why I am bringing to this board’s attention first. This was a three-year contract signed in 2019 and expiring in 2022. I have communicated to the chief that there were some elements of the old agreement that had not been followed such as the reporting of the excess fund. We have only been provided with a page showing a balance, but no detail as to what is coming in and what is out. After some conversations with them, we have received a payment from the fund, but no reports going back to cover the reporting periods missing. We have seen some revisions, but town needs to see those reports. Selectman Burr agrees. Selectman Campbell said there may have been some miscommunication in which the request should have been made directly to the commission and not the chief. Selectman Burr said the BOS can request an audit if needed. Selectman Burr said we should follow up with Atty. Rybak.

Old Business/Inform re: Waterbury Water Main:

First Selectman Sileo sent another message to Joe Geary/City of Waterbury. No updates to report. Claims are still in process with the city's insurance carrier.

Old Business/Inform re: Walnut Hill Tree Removal Request:

We had a request to take down a tree on 374 Walnut Hill Road. Since we are operating without a certified tree warden, First Selectman Sileo put a call into Trulove to have them take a look at. Truelove is the company that has been doing our tree trimming in town. He will do a follow up with them.

Old Business/Discuss/Approve re: High Street Extension Camera Work:

We discussed at our last meeting the two areas of concern and there have been some questions. One was around who does the traffic control. It has been in the past that the PD has allowed the Public Works and/or WPCA to do their own traffic control. This would be the case as well. He did send the proposal from Savvy & Sons to Atty. Rybak for his opinion and he had some questions. We did send back to company, but we have not heard back yet.

Old Business/Discuss/Approve re: Nystrom's Communication Tower Cell Companies:

No update.

Old Business/Discuss/Approve re: Judson Street Drainage Pipe:

Started to work on the RFP for engineering on this. No where near ready. May take a different approach on drafting this. More to come.

Old Business/Discuss/Approve re: Greenway Contract:

Still waiting to hear on the recreation trails grant. The only update is the appropriations committee gave that group more money than they normally get. They originally put together a plan on who was going to get what money thinking they were going to get what they got the prior year, but they ended up getting more money. This grant would close the \$200,000 gap. In the meantime, Amanda has stepped up to take lead on the project. She has been working with COG and they have identified a vendor. We asked Atty. Rybak if we could use that vendor. We sent him our current purchasing policy to review. He said we can decide what is an acceptable process. We can waive the three-bid rule. We have to make sure none of the funding sources require us to go out for an RFP and have three bids. Every funding source has their own requirements. It is important that we follow the requirements.

Selectman Burr said in the minutes it said we are missing about \$200,000 which is not a good way to word it. First Selectman Sileo said it should be stated that we need \$200,000 to cover the project. The funding gap is from retracted federal dollars and cost escalation.

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First Selectman Sileo said he needs to add two items to the agenda. First, he is looking to add a motion to **Old Business/Discussion of Roof over Back Entrance to Town Hall.** Motion was made by Selectman Burr and seconded by Selectman Campbell to add under **Old Business/Discussion of Roof over Back Entrance to Town Hall.** Motion carries unanimously.

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First Selectman Sileo is looking to add a motion to **New Business/Discussion of MOA for Interim Crew Leader of Public Works.** Motion was made by Selectman Burr and seconded by Selectman Campbell to add a motion to **New Business/Discussion of MOA for Interim crew leader of Public Works.** Motion carries unanimously.

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Old Business/Discussion of Roof over Back Entrance to Town Hall:

In this fiscal year's budget, we want to replace a portion of roof which had a leak. This portion of roof sits over the vault in the town clerk's office. We know we have roof work to be done elsewhere, but thought we would do one piece at a time. We are recommending D.J. Hall whose bid came in at \$16,900. However, they were not the lowest bidder. There were two other companies; City Roofing & Siding and Four Seasons. City Roofing & Siding was the lowest bidder, however, they are not going to fix some of the damaged gutters from ice dams we had over the winter. Four Seasons was not able to use the construction techniques we requested. This is why we are recommending the second lowest bidder, D.J. Hall, because we want to make sure they do a good job and have agreed to fix the gutters as well. This will be paid for out of a roofing capital fund (we have more than one). We have been funding the roof project over the main part of the building (over Meeting Room 1) out of another fund and we have some money left over that will allow us to do this piece. This will also include two segments in the courtyard as well.

Motion was made by Selectman Burr and seconded by Selectman Campbell to approve the contract for roof repair for the back entrance of town hall to D.J. Hall Roofing LLC for a not to exceed amount \$16,900. Motion carries unanimously.

Selectman Burr indicated that while we are the topic of roofs, don't forget the opera house roof. We need to do something now with the ice jams and leaking. We were able to fix

some of the damage to part of the cove that we just spent \$1M to fix so that needs to be a priority before winter sets in again.

New Business/Discussion of MOA for Interim Crew Leader of Public Works:

Only change was in the name from Travis Cromack to Tyler Geddes. First Selectman Sileo said there is a new Item #8 that makes it more specific and clearer. Selectman Burr asked if this was already vetted by Atty. Rybak. In order for us to cover him for April, May and June, this has to get into accounting by the 24th. Both the BOS and the BOF (at their next meeting on Tuesday) have to agree. They have agreed in principle.

Motion was made by Selectman Burr and seconded by Selectman Campbell to approve the MOA for the Crew Leader of Public Works, pending Board of Finance approval. Motion carries unanimously.

Board/Commission Appointments/Resignations – none.

Tax Refunds:

Motion was made by Selectman Campbell and seconded by Selectman Burr to approve a tax refund submitted by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$57.95 to William Mutter, wrong assessment. Motion carries unanimously.

Motion was made by Selectman Campbell and seconded by Selectman Burr to approve a tax refund submitted by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$128.97 to Alija Mujaj, wrong assessment. Motion carries unanimously.

Motion was made by Selectman Campbell and seconded by Selectman Burr to approve a tax refund submitted by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$66.66 to Angelino Distasi, Jr., wrong assessment. Motion carries unanimously.

Motion was made by Selectman Campbell and seconded by Selectman Burr to approve a tax refund submitted by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$107.47 to Mary Hallock, wrong assessment. Motion carries unanimously.

Motion was made by Selectman Campbell and seconded by Selectman Burr to approve a tax refund submitted by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$26.12 to Peter Petruzzi, Jr., wrong assessment. Motion carries unanimously.

Motion was made by Selectman Campbell and seconded by Selectman Burr to approve a tax refund submitted by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$165.02 to Stephen Sheak, wrong assessment. Motion carries unanimously.

Motion was made by Selectman Campbell and seconded by Selectman Burr to approve a tax refund submitted by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$100.13 to James Harrison, wrong assessment. Motion carries unanimously.

Motion was made by Selectman Campbell and seconded by Selectman Burr to approve a tax refund submitted by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$29.38 to Theresa Caparella, wrong assessment. Motion carries unanimously.

Motion was made by Selectman Campbell and seconded by Selectman Burr to approve a tax refund submitted by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$421.48 to Anna Knuchel, vehicle traded in – September, 2025. Motion carries unanimously.

Motion was made by Selectman Campbell and seconded by Selectman Burr to approve a tax refund submitted by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$55.78 to Nancy Grzeika, wrong assessment. Motion carries unanimously.

Motion was made by Selectman Campbell and seconded by Selectman Burr to approve a tax refund submitted by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$18.23 to William Munson, wrong assessment. Motion carries unanimously.

Motion was made by Selectman Campbell and seconded by Selectman Burr to approve a tax refund submitted by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$59.04 to James Bothroyd, wrong assessment. Motion carries unanimously.

Motion was made by Selectman Campbell and seconded by Selectman Burr to approve a tax refund submitted by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$42.71 to James Bothroyd, wrong assessment. Motion carries unanimously.

Motion was made by Selectman Campbell and seconded by Selectman Burr to approve a tax refund submitted by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$33.19 to Grant Poruznick, wrong assessment. Motion carries unanimously.

Motion was made by Selectman Campbell and seconded by Selectman Burr to approve a tax refund submitted by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$70.20 to Ronald Debellis, wrong assessment. Motion carries unanimously.

Motion was made by Selectman Campbell and seconded by Selectman Burr to approve a tax refund submitted by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$41.35 to William Clark, wrong assessment. Motion carries unanimously.

Motion was made by Selectman Campbell and seconded by Selectman Burr to approve a tax refund submitted by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$454.11 to Ally Financial, overpaid – bought out lease October, 2025. Motion carries unanimously.

Motion was made by Selectman Campbell and seconded by Selectman Burr to approve a tax refund submitted by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$36.73 to Mark Beardslee, wrong assessment. Motion carries unanimously.

Motion was made by Selectman Campbell and seconded by Selectman Burr to approve a tax refund submitted by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$37.00 to Mark Beardslee, wrong assessment. Motion carries unanimously.

Motion was made by Selectman Campbell and seconded by Selectman Burr to approve a tax refund submitted by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$90.06 to Robert Michaud, wrong assessment. Motion carries unanimously.

Motion was made by Selectman Campbell and seconded by Selectman Burr to approve a tax refund submitted by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$38.91 to Polly Gangloff, wrong assessment. Motion carries unanimously.

Motion was made by Selectman Campbell and seconded by Selectman Burr to approve a tax refund submitted by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$30.20 to David Norton, wrong assessment. Motion carries unanimously.

Motion was made by Selectman Campbell and seconded by Selectman Burr to approve a tax refund submitted by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$125.71 to Fred Burgos, overpaid, vehicle sold June, 2026. Motion carries unanimously.

Motion was made by Selectman Campbell and seconded by Selectman Burr to approve a tax refund submitted by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$62.85 to Kathyjo Butkevicius, wrong assessment. Motion carries unanimously.

Motion was made by Selectman Campbell and seconded by Selectman Burr to approve a tax refund submitted by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$41.08 to Robert Butkevicius, wrong assessment. Motion carries unanimously.

Motion was made by Selectman Campbell and seconded by Selectman Burr to approve a tax refund submitted by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$56.59 to Robert Butkevicius, wrong assessment. Motion carries unanimously.

Motion was made by Selectman Campbell and seconded by Selectman Burr to approve a tax refund submitted by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$73.73 to Kathyjo Butkevicius, wrong assessment. Motion carries unanimously.

Motion was made by Selectman Campbell and seconded by Selectman Burr to approve a tax refund submitted by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$36.18 to Kathyjo Butkevicius, wrong assessment. Motion carries unanimously.

Motion was made by Selectman Campbell and seconded by Selectman Burr to approve a tax refund submitted by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$16.05 to Jonathan Famiglietti, wrong assessment. Motion carries unanimously.

Motion was made by Selectman Campbell and seconded by Selectman Burr to approve a tax refund submitted by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$15.78 to Jonathan Famiglietti, wrong assessment. Motion carries unanimously.

Motion was made by Selectman Campbell and seconded by Selectman Burr to approve a tax refund submitted by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$109.92 to Judith Famiglietti, wrong assessment. Motion carries unanimously.

Motion was made by Selectman Campbell and seconded by Selectman Burr to approve a tax refund submitted by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$83.53 to Top Notch Gutters Svcs., wrong assessment. Motion carries unanimously.

Motion was made by Selectman Campbell and seconded by Selectman Burr to approve a tax refund submitted by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$57.14 to Linda Corrado, wrong assessment. Motion carries unanimously.

Communications – none.

Member Comment – none.

Public Comment (in room) – none.

Public Comment (online) – none.

Motion was made by Selectman Campbell and seconded by Selectman Burr to adjourn the meeting at 6:40 p.m. Motion carries unanimously.