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THOMASTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN
REGULAR MEETING
VIA ZOOM MEETING
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2026

Call to Order & Roll Call:

The meeting was called to order by First Selectman Sileo at 6:00p.m. First Selectman Sileo, Selectman Burr and Selectman Campbell were in attendance.

Pledge of Allegiance-by all in attendance.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion made by Selectman Burr and Seconded by Selectman Campbell to approve the meeting minutes of the August 18, 2026, Regular Meeting. Motion carries unanimously.

First Selectman Sileo asks to entertain a motion to add the August 28, 2026, Special Meeting Minutes to the agenda. Selectman Campbell motions. First Selectman Sileo states he did not call the meeting to order. Selectman Burr says there can be no minutes if the meeting was not called. Following Roberts' Rules of Order, the meeting would just be canceled for lack of quorum.

New Business:

Electricity Metering for the Opera House-Following past discussion; First Selectman Sileo asked Joe Ouelette to get quotes. Three vendors were contacted. One did not want to provide a quote due to the complexity. They received a quote from United Control Solutions for \$16,787.00.

The second quote comes from MJM Electrical for \$20,545.00. He brings it before the Selectmen in hopes of waving the three-quote requirement. First Selectman Sileo states he will be bringing this to the Board of Finance's next meeting.

Discussion ensued.

Selectman Burr says he will ask questions of Matt Stancavage of MJM; who is also on the Thomaston Opera House Building Commission. Selectman Sileo invites Selectman Burr to the next Board of Finance meeting to discuss this further.

Public Services Superintendent Employment Agreement-First Selectman Sileo reports that since the BoS last met. The hiring committee has conducted an interview and testing process for a candidate. The committee felt comfortable extending an offer of employment. First Selectman Sileo began drafting an employment agreement which then went through some negotiations after which it was given to Nick Grello, the Town's Labor Attorney. Selectman Campbell motions to approve the Employment Agreement for the Public Services Superintendent. Selectman Burr Seconds. Discussion ensued.

Motion to Approve the Public Services Superintendent Employment Agreement. Motion carries 2 yes and 1 no. (Selectman Burr)

Public Services Administrative Assistant MOA-First Selectman Sileo presents the Memorandum of Agreement between the Thomaston Sewer Workers, CSEA, Local 2001/SEIU and the Town of Thomaston.

Selectman Burr makes a motion to approve the Memorandum of Agreement between the Thomaston Sewer Workers, CSEA, Local 2001/SEIU and the Town of Thomaston, Selectman Campbell seconds. Discussion ensues.

Motion carries unanimously.

Education Budget Update-The Board of Education Budget overspend of the 2025-2026 has been discussed previously. It is believed the 2026-2027 will have a very large overspend. First Selectman Sileo and Chair Freimuth of the Board of Finance received a Request from the Chairman of the Board of Education for a Financial Audit of Thomaston Public Schools. An RFP was written and posted on the Website. They received 2 bids; 2 other companies backed out because they could not meet the timeline. One bid is from PKF O'Connor, the Town's auditor. The other is from CBIZ; however, they offer no attestation services; therefore, PKF O'Connor is the logical choice. First Selectman Sileo will bring this to the Board of Finance for approval; and because it will be more than \$20,000, it will have to come back to the BoS to set a town meeting for the taxpayers to vote. First Selectman Sileo and Selectman Burr emphasis their

concern for the record that overspending continues with new hires by the BOE. Discussion ensued.

Old Business:

Alcohol on Town Property Policy-First Selectman Sileo reports there really is no definitive policy other than town parks. He also went through the Planning and Zoning Regulations and will come back with recommendations.

TVAC Agreement-The Ambulance Corp met and provided feedback, First Selectman Sileo has been working through it, however, has not finished yet. More to come.

Waterbury Water Main- No update

Nystrom's Communication Tower Cell Companies-Nothing new

Judson Street Drainage Pipe-Nothing new

Board/Commission Appointments/Resignations:

Motion was made by Selectman Burr and Seconded by Selectman Campbell to Accept the Resignation of Ruthann Fainer from the Board of Education. Selectman Burr asked the First Selectman to write her a letter thanking her for all her years of service. Motion carries unanimously.

Motion was made by Selectman Burr and Seconded by Selectman Campbell to Amend the agenda to add the resignation of Matt Van Ormer from the Board of Education. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Selectman Burr and Seconded by Selectman Campbell to Accept the Resignation of Matt Van Ormer from the Board of Education. Selectman Burr asked First Selectman Sileo to write a letter thanking him for his years of service. Motion carries unanimously.

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 \$491.68 to Plymouth Glass and Mirror Incorporated. 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 \$628.43 to Plymouth Glass and Mirror Incorporated. 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 \$3722.74 to CMC Holdings LLC. 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 \$23.76 to Susan Gibeault and Charles Clark. 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 \$63.30 to VW Credit Leasing LTD. 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 \$75.91 to Patrick Callanan. 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 Robert Cowen. 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 \$248.43 to Shaelin Descoteaux. 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 \$22.91 to Steven Noack. 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 \$12.27 to Scott Stevenson. 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 \$170.50 to USB Leasing LT. 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 \$79.18 to Robert Vigeant. 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 \$50.61 to James Williams. Motion carries unanimously.

Communications:

Thomaston Board of Education: Financial Audit Request.

First Selectman Sileo states that though it was discussed earlier, he wanted to present the request from the Board of Education Chair to himself and the Board of Finance Chair.

Member Comment:

Selectman Burr says he went up in the attic to inspect the past leakage issue. He just wants to stay on top of the issue before winter. Heat tape was suggested.

Selectman Campbell asked if there are any updates on the other job postings. Selectman Sileo reports four Reporting Coordinator Applicants.

First Selectman Sileo reports the Town participated in a Statewide DEMHS Exercise.

Selectman Burr requests that online Zoom participants use their name. First Selectman Sileo says you can make the request however FOI does not require it.

Public Comment:

In person-None

Via Zoom-None

Adjournment:

Motion was made by Selectman Burr and Seconded by Selectman Campbell to Adjourn the meeting at 6:56pm. Motion carries unanimously.