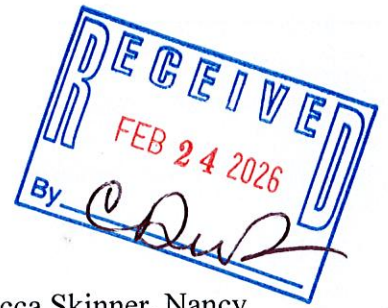


Thomaston Opera House Commission
Minutes of Regular Meeting – February 19, 2026



Attendees: Commissioners Michael Burr, Richard Chandon, Mark Foster, Rebecca Skinner, Nancy Stancavage, and David Verdosci

Also present: Rich Sileo, First Selectman

Chairman M. Burr called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance: Recited by all.

Minutes of the previous meeting: On a motion by R. Chandon, seconded by N. Stancavage, the minutes of the January 15, 2026, Opera House Commission meeting were approved as presented (6-0).

Correspondence: M. Burr read an email from First Selectman Sileo requesting the Opera House Commission stream their meetings. Discussion followed (see NEW BUSINESS).

UPDATES AND REPORTS/OLD BUSINESS

Restoration: M. Burr reported Phase 1 is almost complete. A letter of substantial completion has been received for EverGreene, but not yet for Burlington. The holdup continues to be elevator issues, which seem related to the cold weather. So far the project is \$15,000 under budget, but one change order for \$8900 is being considered.

Another issue with the project is the slowness of the State in issuing reimbursements.

LCT: No report.

TLC: D. Verdosci said the committee does not have much going on at present. M. Burr expressed concern about clutter once again building up in the closets and other storage areas.

Friends of the Opera House: M. Burr received an email from R. Bouffard with a request that he attend the Friends next meeting to provide an update on the Committee's use of funds from the Friends.

OLD BUSINESS

LCT contract: The contract subcommittee has begun reviewing the contract to identify where changes to the language may be considered. Main issue is cleaning. All commissioners are encouraged to review the contract and email comments to the contract committee. An executive session for contract discussion will be included in the agenda for the March 19 Commission meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

R. Chandon moved, seconded by M. Foster, that the Commission choose not to stream their meetings on Zoom. Motion carried 6-0.

Further discussion of the LCT contract ensued, mainly concerning payments from LCT to the town. R. Sileo requested that the contract committee consider revisions to include a flat fee to the Town rather than a per ticket fee.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by R. Chandon, seconded by N. Stancavage, the Opera House Commission meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm (6-0).

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca Skinner,

Secretary, Opera House Commission