

Town & Village of Woodstock
Town Selectboard & Village Trustees Special Joint Meeting
March 25th, 2026
4:00 PM
Town Hall & Zoom
Minutes

Draft minutes are subject to approval.

Present Selectboard: Ray Bourgeois, Vice Chair Laura Powell, Chair Susan Ford, Norm Frates Jr.

Present Trustees: Brenda Blakeman, Chair Lisa Lawlor, Stephen Stuntz, Jamie Fox

Staff: Eric Duffy

Public: Nicholas Seldon

A. Call to order

1. Selectboard

- a. Vice Chair Laura Powell called the Selectboard Meeting of March 25th to order at 4:00 PM

2. Trustees

- a. Chair Lisa Lawlor called the Trustee Meeting of March 25th to order at 4:00 PM

B. Additions or Deletions from the Agenda posted - None

C. Citizen Comments – Three Minutes per participant

Nicholas Seldon addressed the new board members and offered to share exhibits from ongoing lawsuits with any interested parties. He invited board members and the public to email him for access to legal exhibits and documentation.

E. Proposed executive session 1 V.S.A 313

Motion: by Vice Laura Powell to go into a potential executive session 1 V.S.A. § 313(a)(1)(E), (F) - I move to find that premature public knowledge of discussion of pending litigation and attorney client communication would place the Selectboard at a substantial disadvantage, including the potentially waiving attorney client privilege and disclosing of confidential information. (4:03 PM)

Seconded: by Norm Frates Jr.

Vote: 4-0-0, passed

Motion: by Ray Bourgeois to go into a potential executive session 1 V.S.A. § 313(a)(1)(E), (F) - I move to enter executive session to discuss pending litigation for attorney client communications and to invite our legal counsel, Seton Mcilroy, Eric Duffy, Chris O'Keefe, Frank Horneck, and VLCT passive representatives. (4:04PM)

Seconded: by Norm Frates Jr.

Vote: 4-0-0, passed

Motion: by Stephen Stuntz to go into a potential executive session 1 V.S.A. § 313(a)(1)(E), (F) - I move to find that premature public knowledge of discussion of pending litigation and attorney client communication would place the Village Trustees at a substantial disadvantage, including the potentially waiving attorney client privilege and disclosing of confidential information. (4:05 PM)

Seconded: by Brenda Blakeman

Vote: 4-0-0, passed

Motion: by Stephen Stuntz to go into a potential executive session 1 V.S.A. § 313(a)(1)(E), (F) - I move to enter executive session to discuss pending litigation for attorney client communications and to invite our legal counsel, Seton Mcilroy, Eric Duffy, Chris O'Keefe, Frank Horneck, and VLCT passive representatives. (4:05PM)

Seconded: by Brenda Blakeman

Vote: 4-0-0, passed

Motion: by Ray Bourgeois to exit executive session (5:06 PM)

Seconded: by Norm Frates Jr.

Vote: 4-0-0, passed

Motion: by Chair Lisa Lawlor to exit executive session (5:06 PM)

Seconded: by Brenda Blakeman

Vote: 3-0-0, passed

F. Adjournment Selectboard

Motion: by Vice Chair Laura Powell to adjourn the Selectboard Meeting (5:07 PM)

Seconded: by Norm Frates Jr.

Vote: 3-0-0, passed

G. Trustees discuss pending litigation (26-CV-01677; 26-CV-00393) with legal counsel – proposed executive session 1 V.S.A. § 313(a)(1)(E), (F).

Motion: by Stephen Stuntz to go into a potential executive session 1 V.S.A. § 313(a)(1)(E), (F) - I move to find that premature public knowledge of discussion of pending litigation and attorney client communication would place the Village Trustees at a substantial disadvantage, including the potentially waiving attorney client privilege and disclosing of confidential information. (5:08 PM)

Seconded: by Brenda Blakeman

Vote: 3-0-0, passed

Motion: by Chair Lisa Lawlor to exit executive session (5:26 PM)

Seconded: by Stephen Stuntz

Vote: 3-0-0, passed

H. Adjournment

Motion: by Chair Lisa Lawlor to to adjourn the Meeting (5:26PM)

Seconded: by Stephen Stuntz

Vote: 5-0-0, passed

*Respectfully submitted,
Kitty Mears Koar*

Raymond Bourgeois

Susan B. Ford

Norm Frates

Brenda Blakeman

SS

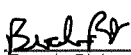
X

Signature: Raymond Bourgeois
Raymond Bourgeois (May 29, 2026 16:23:42 EDT)
Email: rbourgeois112@gmail.com

Signature: 
Laura Powell (May 13, 2026 09:17:57 EDT)
Email: lpowell@townofwoodstock.org

Signature: Susan B. Ford
Susan B. Ford (May 29, 2026 12:09:09 EDT)
Email: sford@townofwoodstock.org

Signature: Norm Frates
Norm Frates (May 29, 2026 13:12:05 EDT)
Email: nfrates@townofwoodstock.org

Signature: 
Brenda Blakeman (May 29, 2026 12:07:26 EDT)
Email: bblakeman@townofwoodstock.org

Signature: Lisa Lawlor
Lisa Lawlor (Apr 22, 2026 12:52:19 EDT)
Email: llawlor@townofwoodstock.org

Signature: S Stuntz
S Stuntz (Jul 16, 2026 12:59:30 EDT)
Email: sstuntz@townofwoodstock.org

Signature: Jamie Fox
Jamie Fox (Jul 16, 2026 11:56:17 EDT)
Email: jfox@townofwoodstock.org

