

TOWN OF SOMERS  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES  
Thursday, April 30, 2026, at 6:00 pm  
Town Hall Auditorium



A.) **CALL TO ORDER:** First Selectman Tim Keeney called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

1. Pledge of Allegiance: All members participated in the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Roll Call: First Selectman Tim Keeney, Selectmen Bill Meier and Bob Schmidt, Director of Public Works Todd Rolland, Resident Trooper Matthew Burdzak, Police Administrator Kim Littig, EDC Chair Shawn Curtis and many interested residents.

B.) **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

1. Public Comment:  
Resident Kevin Barbeau of 66 Handog Lane, Somers, CT shared his concerns and observations related to Zoning/Planning and Conservation Commission as well the Land Use and Zoning Enforcement office in support of how the Town Commissions and offices work for the benefit of Somers.

C.) **PRESENTATIONS BY THE FIRST SELECTMAN**

First Selectman Tim Keeney presented the following items:

- Following the retirement of Attorney Carl Landolina, the Board of Selectmen will be appointing Attorney Kenneth Slater of Halloran & Sage as the new Town Attorney.
- The annual town-wide tag sale will take place on May 2, 2026; additional information is available on the Town website.
- The Annual Town Budget Meeting will be held on May 5, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. in the Town Hall Auditorium.
- The Economic Development Commission, with the Board of Selectmen, recognized BUMPA BUILT as the Business of the Month.

D.) **CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Board and Commissions: Appointments/Resignations  
Cultural Commission
  - a. Accept the Resignation of Tim Simoes from the Cultural Commission effect immediately.  
***Mr. Schmidt made a motion to accept the resignation of Tim Simoes from the Cultural Commission effect immediately, seconded by Mr. Meier. The motion unanimously passed.***
  - b. Appointment of Christine Naserella to the Cultural Commission with a term expiring on 12.22.27.  
***Mr. Schmidt made a motion to accept the appointment of Christine Naserella to the Cultural Commission with a term expiring on 12.22.2027.***

E.) **FINANCE**

- a) Transfers and Appropriations - None
- b) CFO Finance Report/Updates – None
- c) Presentation of Scheduled Payments  
***Mr. Schmidt made a motion to approve the scheduled payments in the amount to \$222,358.92, seconded by Mr. Meier. The motion unanimously passed.***

- F.) UPDATES FROM BOARDS AND COMMISSION: None
- G.) OLD BUSINESS: None
- H.) NEW BUSINESS

1. Local Traffic Authority Request – Approval of the Shenipsit Striders for the Soapstone Trail Rail Race. Trooper Matthew Burzdak and Kim Littig  
***Mr. Meier made a motion to approve the Shenipsit Striders for the Soapstone Trail Rail Race, seconded by Mr. Schmidt. the motion unanimously passed.***
2. Staffing Request. Request to hire Samantha Charette as the Director of Recreation and Leisure Services with annual Salary to start at \$85,000 and a start date of June 1, 2026. Todd Rolland  
***Mr. Schmidt made a motion to approve the request to hire Samantha Charette as the Director of Recreation and Leisure Services with annual Salary to start at \$85,000 and a start date of June 1, 2026.***
3. Accept the Resignation of Kyle Young, Maintainer effective 4/30/26. Todd Rolland  
***Mr. Meier made a motion to accept the resignation of Kyle Young effective 4/30/26, seconded by Mr. Schmidt. the motion unanimously passed.***
4. Discussion and Possible Action on an Engagement letter with Attorney Richard C. Robinson, Esq. Pullman & Comley LLC for Legal Services related to the Elementary School HVAC Project.  
***Mr. Meier made a motion to act on the Engagement letter with Attorney Richard C. Robinson, Esq. of Pullman & Comley LLC for legal services related to the Elementary School HVAC Project and authorize the First Selectman to sign the Engagement letter, seconded by Mr. Schmidt. the motion unanimously passed.***

- I.) Approval of Minutes of April 16, 2026, Regular Meeting of the Board of Selectmen.  
The Board of Selectmen waives the reading of the minutes of the Regular Meeting from April 16, 2026, and that minutes of said meeting be approved.  
***Mr. Schmidt made a motion to approve the Meeting minutes of April 16, 2026, as presented, seconded by Mr. Meier. The motion unanimously passed.***

- J.) ADJOURNMENT  
***Mr. Meier made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:33pm, seconded by Mr. Schmidt. the motion unanimously passed.***

Respectfully Submitted,

Kim LaFleur-Recording

*Minutes are not official until accepted at a subsequent meeting.*