

TOWN OF GLOVER
Selectboard Meeting Minutes
Thursday, July 10, 2025 – Glover Town Hall

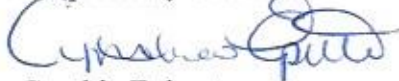
Present: Phil Young, Anne Eldridge, Glenn Gage, Theresa Perron, Town Administrator, Mike Pray, Road Foreman, Scott Pray, Road Crew, Ned Andrews & David Olsen, Listers,

1. **The meeting was called to order at 6:31pm.**
2. **Additions or Deletions to the agenda:** An executive session to discuss the litigation was added.
3. **Approval of Minutes: Anne made a motion, seconded by Glenn, to approve the minutes dated June 26, 2025. The motion carried.**
4. **Road Update:**
 - a. **Rodgers Road – John S. Rodgers:** No update on the litigation regarding Rodgers Road.
 - b. **Truck #22:** The road crew picked up the truck. There are still unresolved issues, four-wheel drive does not work and the lights on the dashboard are lighting up indicating problems. Mike and Glenn spoke with Allegiance, the company that performed maintenance on the truck, regarding the amount of time the truck has been in their shop and the truck is still not fixed. They indicated a lot of maintenance performed was not covered under the warranty. The Lemon Law is not applicable to municipalities. It was recommended to contact the Attorney General to see if they could help.
 - c. **Trailer:** Mike inspected the trailer that was discussed at an earlier meeting. He commented that the trailer is older and needs some work done but it looks good and he indicated it would suit the towns' needs. **Glenn made a motion, seconded by Anne, to approve the purchase of the trailer for \$1,500. The motion carried.**
 - d. **Paving Quotes:** Mike received quotes to pave Davio Place, School Street, the Fire Department driveway, the Municipal Building parking area and Shadow Lake road. The question was asked if the town needed a Storm Water Permit to pave the Fire Department driveway. Theresa will contact Patrick Hurley and Holly ???? to see if this permit is required. **Anne made a motion, seconded by Glenn, to approve the quote of \$58,800 for Gray's Paving to pave Davio Place, School Street and the Fire Department driveway. The motion carried.** Paving the Municipal Building parking lot is postponed until the rain garden proposed by Memphremagog Watershed has been completed. The quote to pave Shadow Lake road was not approved at this time. This project will go out to bid next year when we have a better idea of what the material costs will be.
 - e. **Stone Shore Road:** A homeowner contracted with a paving company to pave their driveway. The paving company extended the pavement into the traveled portion of the town road in error. Grays will correct this error.
 - f. **Grader Incident:** The grader was involved in an incident yesterday. A truck met Scott and the grader on Daniels Pond road. The rear blade came in contact with the truck wheel rim. We are waiting for information from the truck owner. No damage was done to the grader. The dashboard cameras recorded the incident.
 - g. **Shadow Lake Road:** The road crew need to do some ditching on Shadow Lake road, unfortunately, there is a stone wall that needs to be moved. Mike and Glenn will speak to the landowner.
 - h. **New Truck:** Mike is anticipating taking delivery on the new truck and trading in truck #17.
5. **Listers Update:** The Listers came to the Board with 3 requests:

- a. **FY25 Expenses:** The Listers have been putting in more time than their fund balance and FY25 revenues will cover. They estimate they will need an additional \$11,140 to cover payroll and other expenses this year. They are requesting the general fund cover those costs.
 - b. **FY26 Budget:** The Listers are requesting a budget for FY26.
 - c. **Town Wide Re-Appraisal:** The State has mandated Glover perform a town-wide re-appraisal. This is a big project. The Listers are requesting money be allocated in a reserve fund to cover hiring an independent organization to perform the town-wide re-appraisal. Their research has indicated no one is available until 2030. The State is aware of this timeline restraint. They indicated the re-appraisal process is a long process and with two new Listers it is daunting. They feel this will be a full-time job, and the amount of scrutiny and attention to detail required, it would be better for an independent organization to take the lead on this project. The money the State sends each year, the Re-appraisal funds and Equalization Grant, was intended to fund this type of project but more will be needed. Their research indicates it will cost \$125/per parcel, or between \$90,000 - \$100,000.
6. **Glover Park – Jethro Hayman:** There is a parking problems at Glover Park. Jethro will speak with Mike Pray about what can be done about parking at Glover Park. The VOREC grant is being used to build a community garden. The dates food will be available will be posted soon. The Pickleball Court is being painted this month. Jethro is looking for volunteers to build a bike flow track. Amos Turner has volunteered some workers to put electricity at the Park. Unfortunately, a “Wetland Permit” may be required, which is quite expensive. The Planning Commission is looking into a town plan for Glover Park. With electricity, there is the potential to bring in more money that will make it self-sufficient.
7. **Fire Department Generator Repair:**
 - a. Is the MERP grant going to fund installing a new generator? If yes he is going to downgrade the type of service needed. Phil suggested installing an auto-transfer switch if possible. Phil will follow up with the Energy Committee.
 - b. **Dry Hydrant at Shadow Lake:** VT Rural Fire Protection engineers are coming in to inspect the dry hydrant to see if it needs to go deeper in Shadow Lake, given the current water level. Who owns the dry hydrant? Is there an agreement with the landowner? The Fire Department is reviewing the possibilities of installing more dry hydrants in Glover, Dexter Mtn, at the School, etc.
 - c. **Floating Devices:** Jen Andrews mentioned the Styrofoam bobbbers need to be replaced. The Styrofoam is no longer acceptable
8. **Town Administrator Report:**
 - a. **Wastewater Pump Replacement:** The pumps at the West Glover pump station need to be replaced. Laramie has provided a quote of \$13,185.17. **Anne made a motion, seconded by Glenn, to approve the quote. The motion carried.**
 - b. **Shadow Lake Dam Update:** Theresa met with Leanne Harple, State Representative for Glover. Theresa and Leanne are working on ways to fund the repairs needed. Theresa has also reached out to Bernie Sanders. Weston & Sampson have received many emails and phone calls. They are requesting all correspondence go through Theresa. Theresa would like to purchase signs for Shadow Lake, to caution folks about the possibility of getting stuck in the mud. They should enter the water at their own risk. It was suggested a caution sign be posted at the boat launch area as well.
 - c. **Glover Day Update:** Things are going well. There has been a good response for participation. The question was asked: Does the town want to take responsibility for organizing Glover Day in the future? Randy is ready to turn over the reins. The Fire Department is organizing a chicken barbeque lunch/dinner. Please place your orders online. Alfreda Trucott is preparing the side dishes.
9. **Town Clerk/Treasurer Update:**

- a. **Financial Update:** The 2nd quarter 2025 financial report was distributed via email. All is looking good. Anne questioned the overspending at the Town Hall maintenance and supply line. There was unexpected maintenance required on the elevator and tables were purchased.
 - b. **FY25 Tax Rate Approval:** The education tax rates were received. The proposed tax rates are: Resident/Homestead \$2.3597 and Non-Resident/Non-Homestead \$2.5291. This reflects an increase of 13% for residents and 12% for non-residents over 2024 rates. **Phil made a motion, seconded by Anne to approve the rates as presented. The motion carried.**
 - c. **Wastewater – Laramie Quote:** this was discussed under the Town Administrator Report.
 - d. **Special Event Liquor License Request:** Hill Farmstead, LLC has requested a special liquor license for Glover Day. **Glenn made a motion, seconded by Anne, to approve the liquor license request. Phil Young recused himself from this discussion. The motion carried.**
 - e. **Glover Green:**
 - i. The Glover Historical Society is working with an individual to commemorate General John Glover, with a plaque that will be posted on the Glover Green. The plaque will be displayed in time for the Vermont 250th Anniversary.
 - ii. Little River Surveyors worked on the new survey of the Glover Green. There are a few updates they feel still need to be made regarding easements over the Green. Ricky Blanchard is frustrated with folks parking on the Green when he is trying to mow.
 - f. **Cemetery Land Proposal:** Larry Conley is still interested in donating the small section of land between Westlook I and Route 122 to the town. **Anne made a motion, seconded by Glenn to approve Nick to gather more information about this proposal.**
10. **Shadow Lake Dam Sub-Committee Discussion:** A Shadow Lake Dam Committee has been formed by interested Shadow Lake camp owners. Hope Colburn and Walt Culver are two people on this committee. They plan to meet with other State agencies and research funding possibilities. They will share information they have gathered with the Selectboard and Theresa.
 11. **Open Public Comment Period:** Has a public safety meeting been scheduled to with Orleans County Sheriff's Office or the State Police? No, Anne will organize this meeting.
 12. **Signing of Orders:** The Director's orders were signed.
 13. **Executive Session – Litigation Discussion:** **Anne made a motion, seconded by Glenn to go into executive session at 8:50pm to discuss a litigation situation. The motion carried.**
 14. **Executive Session Concluded:** **Phil made a motion, seconded by Anne, to end the executive session at 9:22pm. The motion carried.**
 15. **Adjourn:** The meeting was adjourned at 9:22pm.

Respectfully Submitted



Cynthia Epinette
Transcriber



Phil Young, Chair



Anne Eldridge



Glenn Gage