

Town of Northport

Select Board Meeting

June 8, 2026 @ 6:15 pm

Chair: Molly Schauffler

Vice Chair: Jeanine Tucker

Municipal Officer: [vacant]

Town Administrator: James Kossuth

Finance Director: Vicki Eugley

Road Commissioner: Amon Morse

NVC Representative: Janae Novotny

Present: Molly Schauffler, Jeanine Tucker, James Kossuth, Vicki Eugley, Amon Morse, Janae Novotny, CJ Atherton, Tinsley Morrison.

Northport Golf Club Liquor License Renewal: Kossuth presented the Board with the Northport Golf Club's application to renew its liquor license. Kossuth reported that he had spoken to the Waldo County Sheriff's Office, and the Sheriff had not received any calls or complaints about the Golf Club in the past year.

Schauffler moved to approve the Northport Golf Club's liquor license renewal request, seconded by Tucker. Board voted 2-0, request approved.

Citizen Concerns: None at this time.

Northport Village Corporation: Novotny reported that summer Village activity was picking up, and the Overseers will next meet on June 14. She reported that she had heard compliments about the street sweeping.

Road Commissioner: Morse reported that the streets and intersections had been swept. He is considering putting out a request for bids for paving Bayside Road to see if the cost would be reasonable.

Kossuth reported that he had spoken with Warren Heath about trapping the beaver that has been plugging the culverts on Prescott Hill Road at Piper Stream. Heath has not been successful so far in trapping the beaver, and there does not seem to have been any recent activity after Heath unplugged the culvert.

Town Administrator: MCOG Heating Fuel bid: Kossuth presented the Board with the sole bid that the Town had received for heating fuel for winter 2026-27, from Dead River. The Board instructed Kossuth to ask Maritime for a bid and to select whichever company offered a lower price.

Community Resilience Partnership Round 7 grant application: Kossuth reported that he had submitted the Town's application for the latest round of Community Resilience Partnership grant funding. The Town is seeking approximately \$50,000 for a project to identify households in Town most in need of home energy efficiency improvements and to identify the barriers to them implementing those improvements. Most of the work will be done by contractors, and the grant awards are expected to be announced in the fall.

Fundraising Committee / Summer event planning update: Kossuth reported that the Fundraising Committee is planning three events this summer -- a contra dance, Sunday July 19 at Community Hall; a

lobster bake and art sale in Ruggles Park on Sunday, August 2 (pending NVC approval); and Northportpalooza on Saturday, August 22, at the Town Office and 8 Beech Hill Road. These events will be focused on fun, community-building, and fundraising.

Kossuth also reported that he is working on an application for FEMA's Assistance to Firefighters grant, which would cover up to \$100,000 for the sprinklers in the firehouse. The application is due June 22.

Town Office / 8 Beech Hill Road update: Kossuth reported that he had received as-built floor plans and proposed floor plans for the temporary Town Office at 8 Beech Hill Road from Amanda Austin, the architect. Austin recommended adding a new, ADA-complaint bathroom, but the Board felt that such a change would likely be disproportionately expensive given the other planned renovations. Kossuth also reported that Maritime Energy had finished fixing the furnace, and everything is working now.

Solar Project update: Kossuth reported that he had contacted the Public Utilities Commission for an update on the Town's request for an advisory opinion. The PUC responded that it would act on the request within 60 days, i.e., by early July.

GWI Poles update: Kossuth reported that GWI and its contractor were on Prescott Hill on June 3 to determine how they will remove the poles and bury the wire, and they will report back on their plan soon.

Website Accessibility project update: Kossuth introduced CJ Atheron, the Town's summer intern, who is working on the Town website's ADA-compliance. Atherton shared the results of her work so far, and it seems to her that, because of the amount of coding that is required for full ADA compliance, the Town should contract the project to a vendor. Atherton has set up some meetings with vendors and will report back about process and cost.

Spirit of America honoree resolution: Kossuth presented the Board with a draft resolution for the Spirit of America honoree. The Board approved and signed the resolution.

Minutes: Kossuth presented the Board with minutes from the May 26 Select Board meeting. The Board approved the minutes.

Finance Director: Warrants: Eugley provided the Payroll & Accounts Payable warrants to the Board for review and approval. The Board approved and signed the Payroll & Accounts Payable warrants.

Unfinished Business: None at this time.

New Business: None at this time.

Adjourn: *Tucker moved to adjourn at 7:07pm, seconded by Schauffler. Board voted 2-0, meeting adjourned.*

Respectfully submitted by,

James Kossuth, Town Administrator