

Approved

Town of Randolph

OFFICE OF THE SELECTMEN

MINUTES OF MEETING

September 22, 2025

Members Present: Michele Cormier, John Turner, Paul Jadis

Guests: John Weatherly, Bill Arnold, Bill Demers

Paul Kenison, Linda Dupont

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm.

Minutes were approved and vouchers signed.

The board discussed the 2025 EOP update that is due next year. Without an updated EOP the town would not qualify for FEMA funding if needed. After speaking with June Garneau from Mapping and Planning Solutions, Michele Cormier determined, grants are not available to cover this as in the past. The town has three options:

1. The town does it themselves.
2. Wait for a Grant.
3. Update the EOP without a grant with a cost of \$3500 to be budgeted.

Paul Jadis took the existing EOP to review at his leisure. This will be discussed at the next BOS meeting in October.

John Weatherly came to the board meeting after hearing from the town clerk of complaints regarding the logging of his property on Pasture Path. The logger, Chris Nelson stated a Timber Permit was not needed and subcontracted the job to Rivard Tree. RMC had concerns regarding a trail on the property. The board received complaints from residents of damage to Pasture Path and Randolph Hill Road.

Mr. Weatherly stated the loggers were responsible for submitting the proper paper work and any damage done. The town needed to search out the loggers.

The board asked Linda Dupont to reach out to Rick Evans of NH DRA Timber Cut Division for clarification of the cut and asked Paul Kenison to inspect the roads in question for damages.

Bill Arnold informed the Selectboard that there was a state wide fire ban in place due to the dry foliage and high alert of fires.

Bill also stated he attended the meeting that State Trooper Garrett Rella spoke to the community residents regarding police presence within Randolph. He noted that the town could have more patrols by the State Police to be noticed and possibly slow drivers down. The board stated the Town does have an active MOU with Troop F State Police for that purpose.

Bill Arnold brought in a Building Permit from Steven Rounds to place a deck on a garage within the setback area. In addition, the Rounds wish to add a sleeping area in the garage as well.

Paul Kenison informed the board that NICOM Coatings has completed the crack sealing on the new portion of Durand Road and Randolph Hill Road. Brian Lamarre has completed the road-side mowing, which also includes the town's closed landfill area.

Lee Corrigan stated the need of a permit from NH DOT for the repair of Durand Road East because it is in the right of way. Linda Dupont and Paul Kenison applied for the permit and awaiting approval from the state. Lee Corrigan will submit a estimate to repair the bump on Durand Road by the Johnson's and both jobs will be done at the same time.

Paul Kenison stated the due to the highly dry conditions, Chief Horne requested that the boards remain in at the Ravine Pool as a water source if needed.

Michele Cormier questioned Paul K. regarding the use of safety equipment when using a chain saw. Paul K. stated he has the equipment and uses them when using the chain saw. He noted he only uses the hard hat when cutting above and not when doing ground work.

Bill Demers noted that the culvert under Raycrest Drive at the connections to US Route 2 is almost plugged and the drainage water is not able to pass through. Due to the close proximity to US Route 2, the board asked Linda Dupont to reach out to the NH DOT Harrison Gates to see whose responsibility it would be and what would need to be done.

In response to an email from Yvonne Jenkins asking if the town has joined the Clean Energy NH. The board has voted not to join Clean Energy NH.

On October 6th at noon, the NH DOT will hold a public meeting at the Berlin City Hall, regarding a new 10-year plan. In budget cuts many approved jobs have been removed. This includes the US Route 2 project at the junctions of Randolph Hill Road, Raycrest Drive and Gorham Heights. These were noted to be High Hazard due to the speed of US Route 2 and safety conditions. The board encourages residents to attend this meeting to get Randolph and US Route 2 back on the schedule.

Michele Cormier read a letter from Peg Kerouac regarding her fence within the 25-foot set back area. The Pinkham B property less than one acre houses a horse and an electric fence which encroaches the Board Acre Farm property line.

The Board approved a Current Use request from Geiss on Randolph Hill Road; this will go into effect April 1st.

Linda Dupont reviewed problems with billing of VRI/NEERS regarding the life line devices. There has been billing issues that need to be resolved. The Randolph Foundation is looking into resolving the issues.

The Board of Selectmen reviewed the Building Permit presented by Bill Arnold on behalf of the Rounds. The board denied the permit based on the work to be done within the setback area and the need to find the septic plans to determine the size. A letter will be drafted to the Rounds and notify of the ability of reaching out to the Board of Adjustment for a variance.

Meeting adjourned at 7:36 pm

Randolph Board of Selectmen

Michele Cormier, Co-Chair

John Turner, Selectmen

Paul A. Jadis, Co-Chair

Linda Dupont, Assistant to the Selectmen