

SELECT BOARD

Minutes of the meeting of November 12, 2025. The hybrid meeting took place in person at the Public Safety Facility Community Room at 4 Fairgrounds Road; and, via remote participation using Zoom Webinar. Members of the Board present were Dawn E. Hill, Thomas Dixon, Matt Fee, Dr. Malcolm MacNab and Brooke Mohr.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Hill called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM following the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. SELECT BOARD ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

The agenda was accepted as presented.

III. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Town Manager C. Elizabeth Gibson (participating remotely) reviewed the announcements.

1. The Select Board Meeting is Being Audio and Video Recorded.

2. Town to Host Public Information Sessions on PFAS This Fall and Winter

The Town Will Host a Series of Public Information Sessions to Share Science-Based Education on PFAS. The First Session, "Everyday Exposures to PFAS and What You Can Do to Avoid Them," Will be Held on Monday, November 17, 2025 at 5:30 PM in the PSF Community Room, 4 Fairgrounds Road, Featuring Dr. Laurel Schaider of The Silent Spring Institute, with Virtual Participation Available Via Zoom and YouTube. Additional Sessions are Scheduled for Thursday, December 11, 2025 and January 2026 (Date to be Determined). More Information <https://www.nantucket-ma.gov/CivicAlerts.aspx?AID=1399>.

3. May 4, 2026 Annual Town Meeting Warrant

Open for Citizen Warrant Article Submittals through Monday, November 17, 2025 at 4:00 PM. [Guide to Preparing a Citizen Warrant Article | Nantucket, MA - Official Website](#)

4. Rental Preservation Program – Seeking Feedback

The Affordable Housing Trust is Considering Launching a Rental Preservation Program that Would Provide Existing Landlords a Multi-Year Incentive to Continue Renting Year-Round to Local Tenants and is Seeking Feedback from Landlords if They Would be Interested in Participating and Using Their Input to Help Design the Program. The Survey Should Take Less Than Five Minutes to Complete, and You Can Access it Here: <https://placemate.com/nantucketsurvey>.

5. Select Board Announcements/Comments.

IV. UPDATE ON PUBLIC COMMENT QUESTIONS FROM PRIOR SELECT BOARD MEETINGS (see

<https://www.nantucket-ma.gov/3564/2025>) Chair Hill read the responses to the public comment questions asked at the Board's November 5th meeting.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT

Clifford Williams commented on the investigation of the investigation of the African Meeting House and requested a meeting of the workgroup and a copy of the final Request for Proposals.

Barbara Burgo spoke on her background in civil rights issues on Cape Cod. She continued speaking on the investigation workgroup. Chair Hill indicated that Ms. Burgo's time was up. Ms. Burgo continued speaking.

Chair Hill announced she would recess the meeting, briefly, at 5:41 PM. She left the meeting. Chair Hill called the meeting back to order at 5:44 PM.

Gail Holdgate spoke on the African Meeting House investigation of the investigation. She asked to "cede" her time to Ms. Burgo.

Operations Administrator Erika Mooney reviewed the Board's public comment policy and noted that "ceding" time is not allowed.

Luke Thornewill questioned whether or not the workgroup associated with the investigation, is functional and asked to "cede" his remaining time to Ms. Burgo.

Campbell Sutton spoke on public meetings, workgroup meetings and public hearings. She suggested that under Select Board comments and/or updates, an update be given under that agenda item about the African Meeting House. She asked people not to "yell and scream" at meetings.

Ms. Sutton spoke on a Historic District Commission appeal taken up by the Board last week.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

There was no New Business.

VII. APPROVAL OF MINUTES, WARRANTS AND PENDING CONTRACTS

Ms. Mohr moved approval of items VII 1 – 3; seconded by Mr. Fee; all in favor, so voted.

1. Approval of Minutes of November 5, 2025 at 5:30 PM; November 6, 2025 at 9:00 AM.

2. Approval of Payroll Warrants for November 9, 2025.

3. Approval of Treasury Warrants for November 12, 2025.

VIII. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

1. Recognition of Employees Who Received Years of Service Recognition at Annual Employee Appreciation Event Held November 6, 2025. Ms. Gibson read a list of the recipients of years of service pins presented at the annual Employee Appreciation Event, as contained in the Board's agenda packet. She thanked all employees for their service.

2. Continued Review of Town-Sponsored Warrant Articles for 2026 Annual Town Meeting. Ms. Gibson noted that there is no new update for tonight but there will be one for next week. She added that a request from a Board member came up following last week's Board meeting as to the potential for seeking an amendment to the Historic District Commission (HDC) enabling legislation to modify the appeals process to eliminate appeals going to the Select Board. Ms. Mohr spoke on this, noting she raised it after last week's meeting. Mr. Fee suggested getting input from the HDC and the Nantucket Historical Commission (NHC); and said there may be other items the HDC might want to consider amending in the act. Some discussion followed. Ms. Mohr suggested seeking an update from the HDC as to the status of recommendations from

a report completed two years ago on HDC operations. Discussion followed. Ms. Sutton expressed support for Mr. Fee's comments. Ms. Mohr reiterated the need to revisit the aforementioned review, with the HDC.

Ms. Mohr asked for another revisit of the noise bylaw, at next week's meeting, noting that proponent Karel Greenberg sent an updated proposal following last week's Board meeting.

Discussion resumed about HDC appeals in general.

3. Review of Proposed 2026 Select Board Meeting Schedule. Operations Administrator Erika Mooney reviewed the draft Select Board meeting schedule for 2026. Mr. Fee moved to endorse the schedule as presented; seconded by Ms. Mohr; all in favor, so voted.

IX. SELECT BOARD REPORTS/COMMENT

1. Community Claims Fund (Vineyard Wind Turbine Blade Failure) Administration Overview. Ms. Gibson introduced this item, noting that on September 10, 2025, the Board approved Verus, LLC as the administrator to manage the Community Claims Fund established under the settlement agreement between the Town and County of Nantucket and GE Vernova. She noted that Verus will manage the intake, evaluation, qualification, reconsideration, and payment of claims. Mark Eveland of Verus reviewed the presentation as contained in the Board's agenda packet. He noted that Verus is working very closely with the Town's special counsel for offshore wind issues, Cultural Heritage Partners (CHP). He also reviewed his own background handling these types of claims and claim funds. Mr. Fee asked if the names of those receiving funds from a claim will be made public. Mr. Eveland said it would not be typical to make the names public. Ms. Mohr added that she believes the settlement agreement requires the names to be confidential. Mr. Fee asked that be confirmed. Mr. Fee asked about the determination calculation for claims. Mr. Eveland explained. Mr. Fee commented that the process is "impressive". Caitlyn McCurdy of CHP confirmed that individual claimant privacy is required to be secure and only known to GE Vernova. Town Counsel John Giorgio said that KP Law will confirm this as well, from the perspective of a public records request.

2. Committee Reports.

There were no committee reports.

X. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Fee moved adjournment at 6:48 PM; seconded by Ms. Mohr; all in favor, so voted.

Approved the 19th day of November, 2025.

**SELECT BOARD
NOVEMBER 12, 2025 – 5:30 PM
PSF COMMUNITY ROOM, 4 FAIRGROUNDS ROAD
AND REMOTE PARTICIPATION VIA ZOOM WEBINAR
NANTUCKET, MASSACHUSETTS**

List of documents used at the meeting:

- VII. 1. Draft minutes of 11/5/2025; draft minutes of 11/6/2025 open session
- VIII. 1. 2025 Years of Service Recognition list
- VIII. 3. Draft 2026 Select Board meeting schedule
- IX. 1. Community Claims Fund presentation