

**Town of Blue Hill
Select Board Meeting
Monday, June 1, 2026
Minutes**

Call to Order: 5:30 PM.

Attendance/Quorum

E. Best (Chair), S. Miller, B. Adams, J. Wootten, A. Woog, D. Goettler (Town Clerk, Minute Taker).

Approval of Minutes

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the Board voted 5/0 to approve the minutes of May 27, 2026, as edited.

Public Comment

No public comments.

Business

1. Liquor License Request for Luce Spirits

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the Board voted 4/0 with one abstention (Woog) to approve the one-day liquor license for Luce Spirits as requested.

2. Potential USDA Grant/Loan Opportunity for Outfall Pipe

A representative from Olver Associates, Inc., told S. Miller about an opportunity to apply for USDA funding for the outfall pipe repair. The application would require an upfront investment of around \$9,000 from the Town, but could result in up to \$2,000,000 in grants and loans. S. Miller will investigate the likelihood of getting the grant and the required timeline.

3. Pride Parade Permit

J. Fehrle described the proposed parade route. She stated that the organizers have not contacted the Sheriff's Office, but the Blue Hill Fire Department has agreed to provide safety oversight. Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the Board voted 5/0 to approve the Pride Parade Permit for June 20, 2026, as requested, subject to the organizers' alerting the Hancock County Sheriff's Office to the event

4. Stavola Building

The Board discussed how to ensure that a potential repair-responsible tenant was providing repairs of a quality that will outlast their tenancy and are ADA-compliant.

5. Drummond Woodsum Employment Law Seminar

S. Miller and E. Best attended an employment law seminar; S. Miller recapped major points, including a requirement that all employees receive sexual harassment training (and DW's recommendation that such training be conducted annually), details about disambiguating an employee's first amendment rights from restrictions from speaking on behalf of the

Town, pay rate calculations, new extended leave laws, and termination procedures. The Board discussed ways of making sure that stipend employees have their Earned Paid Leave accurately calculated.

Fire Chief J. Chapman (who had joined remotely) described the Fire Department's training regimen, including sexual harassment and discrimination modules, conducted annually for all firefighters. He recommended that the Town review the Maine Department of Labor (the Bureau of Labor Standards) training materials and offerings for, in particular, workers in Public Works and at the Blue Hill/Surry Transfer Station.

Adjournment

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the Board voted 5/0 to adjourn the meeting at 5:42 PM subject to signing Disbursement Warrants.

The Disbursement Warrants were signed.