

**Town of Blue Hill
Select Board Meeting
Monday, October 5, 2026
Minutes**

Call to Order: 5:30 PM.

Attendance/Quorum

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

Approval of Minutes

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the Board voted 3/0 to approve the minutes of September 28, 2026, as edited.

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the Board voted 3/0 to approve the minutes of the October 5, 2026, executive session meeting as distributed.

Public Comment

R. Wentworth requested that absentee voting be provided at the Harborview Apartments similarly to how it is hosted at Parker Ridge. E. Best and D. Goettler explained that ballots cannot be removed from the clerk's office without a voter's application except to licensed care facilities. However, any voter can request to be added to the ongoing absentee ballot list or apply to have a third party pick up and drop off their ballot for them. R. Wentworth requested a sample ballot and ballot application in order to serve as that third party.

Business

1. Schedule Liquor License Hearing: Parker Ridge

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the Board voted 5/0 to schedule Parker Ridge's liquor license hearing for October 15, 2026, at 5:45 PM.

2. Schedule Special Amusement Permit Hearing: Blaze

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the Board voted 5/0 to table scheduling Blaze's special amusement permit hearing until M. Haskell or a representative could attend.

3. Liquor License Hearings

The hearing for Stowaways' liquor license was opened. One member of the public spoke in favor of granting the license, and the owner summarized the restaurant's history. The hearing was closed. Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the

Board voted 5/0 to approve the license application as requested, subject to the Town Clerk being provided with an updated menu and health certificate as soon as they are available.

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the Board voted 5/0 to formalize the indefinite postponement of Blaze's liquor license hearing and extend Pub Ciao, LLC's liquor license until November 16, 2026.

4. General Assistance Maximums Update Hearing

The GA maximum update hearing was opened. There were no comments. The hearing was closed. Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the Board voted 5/0 to approve the new maximums as distributed.

Updates

1. Medical Marijuana Ordinance/Town Property as a "Safe Zone"

A. Woog's research indicated that the updated legislation was more restrictive than previously thought, that schools are already "safe zones," and that violations of safe zones are felony offenses. As such, the Board agreed not to move forward with drafting a safe zone ordinance.

2. Disposal of Wastewater Treatment Plant Generator

No updates.

3. KRT Appraisal - Final Bill

KRT Appraisal is aware that the Board is not satisfied with the services provided. The Board discussed the potential consequences of waiting longer to resolve the dispute.

Other Business

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the Board voted 5/0 to approve the abatement of 031-015 for \$1077.67 as requested.

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the Board voted 5/0 to approve the abatement (from the prior owners) and corresponding supplemental bill (to the current owners) of 009-033 for \$1106.96 as requested.

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the Board voted 5/0 to approve the abatement of 032-027 for \$541.36 as requested.

The Town's current snowplow contract requires the contractor to carry a minimum limit of \$2,000,000 per occurrence in liability insurance; the contractor currently carries \$1,000,000 per occurrence and requested the disbursement of the first check to fund the increased limit. Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the Board voted 5/0 to issue the first check of this year's contract despite the liability insurance being below contracted levels.

Adjournment

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the Board voted 5/0 to adjourn the meeting at 6:10 PM subject to signing Disbursement Warrants and GA updated appendix.

The Disbursement Warrants and appendix were signed.