

JAMAICA SELECTBOARD MINUTES

**Jamaica Town Office Monday,
September 28, 2026, at 7:00 P.M.**

Board Members Present: Jessica Pollack, Greg Meulemans, Kate Ullman, Robert Brooks, Jasons Kass

Public Members Present: Chris Mays, Chrissy Haskins, Heidi Pancake, Dave Marx, Paul Fraser, Karen Ameden, Siobhan McDermott, Bryan Zieroff, Clara Robinson

Meeting Called to Order: 7:01

1. Call for any late additions to the agenda

None

2. Approve the minutes of the September 14, 2026, Regular Meeting and the September 1, 18, 20 and 23, 2026 Special Meetings

Jessica made motion to accept minutes for September 23rd meeting. Kate seconded. All in favor. Jessica Abstained.

Jessica made motion to accept minutes for September 20th meeting. Kate seconded. All in favor.

Jessica made motion to accept minutes for September 18th meeting. Kate seconded. All in favor.

Jessica made motion to accept minutes for September 1st meeting. Kate seconded. All in favor.

3. Approve JAMBA landowners' agreement

Dave Marx said they had a 10 year agreement with the SU for skilks trail at JVS. They are now requesting to have agreement with town after property was transferred. JAMBA indemnifies the town.

Jessica made motion, Kate 2nded. AIF

4. JVS Property:

- a. Discuss and finalize scope of work and organization structure of JVS committee including approval process vis a vis the Selectboard

Tom wanted clarification of roles. He will be handling physical plant and bring in specialists as needed. Committee will still make recommendations about future usage.

b. Update on meeting with members of Preservation Trust Vermont

Siobhan had a great tour with the Preservation Trust of VT. They begin with questions then Robert gave a tour of the of the inside. Tom then gave tour of outside. Should hear by Oct 16th if were were choosen. Follow up letter was sent. Then Karen drove them around town. Showed them how important project is to town.

c. Related – forgivable loan made to the Town for the wastewater project and potential intersection with the JVS property

We have a 90% Report in draft form that needs to be presented to community and state. Other things within the scope that needs to happen as well as boundry and surveying of site. There is about \$40K left at school property. Need to work around easments on properites and then do a further evaluation of the school property.

In the lastest funding cycle they have brought back the funding and increased it for wastewater. Could get loan at 0% for up to \$150K.

Loan would need to be signed off by on board.

There is now a \$75% grant to build that coul exist if we were ready by next summer which is not really feesable.

One easement is access and spring rights. The other has spring rights. It is unclear where the acces easement is.

d. Approve making a request of the WRED to pay the invoice for repairs to the generator that predated the closing

Jessica made motion to have WRED to pay for the generator maintainence. Kate 2nded. All in favor.

e. Approve seeking an appraisal of the property for informational purposes

Board agrees to move forward in getting bids for an assessment.

5. Discuss request of landowner to improve LT -13 A/K/A Pleasant Valley Road

585 Pleasant Valley Road wants to improve road. No plans for the property but wants to have a better road. Part is above 2500 Ft which triggers Act 250. Landowner would need to go through process to build.

Last Act 250 to put in power poles was denied. Current act is to improve LT13 – surepack, culverts – they are asking permission to access Town Owned trail which requires selectboard approval.

Board wants to better understand what the landowners end goal.

Jessica will reach out to Ryan Miosek.

6. General Update from Tom Tolbert, Town Clerk and Town Administrator

a. Pikes Falls Road Parking Issues

Tom met with Mike DeSabato and will come up with signage plan for Spring

b. Patriot move to the cloud and associated cost

Tabled. Tom will provide quote to take up at next meeting.

c. Dalewood and Howe Farm Road Projects\

Dalewood is completed. Howe farm to be done by 9.30.26

d. Goodaleville Road delay

Hunter is having trouble with a project with the culvery crew. They are deferring this project ot 2027

e. Town Hall update

Exterior painting has been completed. Tom is working to improve internal lighting.

f. Election updates

Election Nov 3rd. All residents will receive absentee ballots which should ship 11/2. Karen said we can use JPs to pick up ballots on election day.

g. Other matters

7. Approve sale of Town owned excavator

Offer to buy excavator for \$5000. Jessica made a motion to approve sale of town owned excavator. Kate 2nded. All in favor.

8. Review and approve time sheets for town office, listers, highway and transfer station

Jessica made motion to approve. Kate 2nded. All in Favor

9. Review and approve pay orders

Jessica made motion to approve. Kate 2nded. All in Favor

10. Public concerns

Site visit at Transfer Station. Tom and Greg met and will get out RFP.

Flowers on bridge – Looked great – Martin Bemis with son Matt

Karen asked if board would be willing to move select board meeting to a different night.

Wed social outside Peacock

Poet Laureate submissions are due on Wednesday.

Thursday Run Club

Friday Bingo. ½ go to Solar at 50/50.

First Friday this week.

Jill Sachs Live music Friday at River and Rye

Sat Lumious Crush at River and Rye

Bee well yohs on Sat AM

Sunday Yoga at town hall

Library – making mini broom, and pumpkin carving in Oct

Jamaica spooktacular Oct 31.

Friendsgiving Hall on Sun Nov 22nd

Santa Claus Sun Dec 6th @ at Town Hall

Craft Fair Sun Dec 12-13th at Tpow

11. Executive Session, if needed

12. Adjourn

Jessica made motion to adjourned. Kate 2nd. All in Favor

Adjourned: 8:33.