

**Minutes**  
**Select Board Meeting**  
**Town of Coventry**  
**Tuesday February 17, 2026**

*This meeting was recorded on Zoom and then posted to YouTube. The link to the Town's YouTube channel is at [www.coventryvt.org](http://www.coventryvt.org).*

**Board Members Present**

Scott Morley  
Kerry Keement  
Dan Webster

**Town Officials Present**

Ed Fournier, Town Administrator  
David Barlow, Treasurer  
Deb Tanguay, Town Clerk

**Public Present**

Israel Sanville, Constable, Town Resident  
Doreen Hill, Town Resident  
Melanie Rodjenski, Town Accountant  
Daniel Rondeau, Cemetery Commission, Town Resident

**1. Order**

Ed Fournier called the meeting to order at 5:06 pm. Persons present introduced themselves.

**2. Changes or Additions to the Agenda**

None.

**3. Allow for public comment**

Town Resident Doreen Hill discussed the status of connection with the Town Foundation. Deb Tanguay explained the Foundation would be in contact with Doreen. Doreen commented on the speed of snowmobiles on Town roads and the location of the snow from groomers. Doreen noted the locations of the signs for the trails and explained that vehicles have had to pull over at times because of the snow machine travel.

**4. Treasurer's Report**

David Barlow presented the Board with Treasurer Reports for December 2025 and January 2026. David discussed the activity in the General Fund for December and movement of funds throughout the month. Scott Morley discussed short term fund management and noted that the Board should look at this over the next year. Melanie Rodjenski explained that spending and investing could be sorted out based on rates and other factors. Scott noted the importance of the Board working on financial management moving forward. David explained that in January 2026, the Casella payment came in and grant reimbursement showed up. Also, David noted that the new Town truck was delivered and that it was partially paid for out of the Road Capital Equipment Fund. Scott asked David how it was going with

investments. David explained the communication was good and that you would see continued reporting on this. Melanie noted that she would be happy to discuss and weigh in on investment management.

#### **5. Fire District Letter Request**

Ed presented the Select Board with a request from the Fire District for status letters regarding the 89 Main St. buyout property and a letter regarding the 150 Main St. property both owned by the Town. Deb explained that the Fire District would like documentation from the Town about the details of the properties and usage availability. Scott asked about the different water rates from the district. Deb explained that 89 Main St. would create no charges due to the State designation of a green space and that 150 Main St. remains a buildable lot. Scott commented that the Town would give two different letters for the Fire District regarding the properties.

#### **6. Other Business**

Ed let the Board know that the Local Emergency Management Plan documents were complete and filed with Vermont Emergency Management. Melanie noted that this is important for grant eligibility.

Ed explained to the Board that the Community Center lift has been tested and inspected and he has received the proper documentation to have on file.

Ed explained that the 89 Main St. demolition increased payment amount by the contractor has been approved by the State.

Deb noted that the lift needed to be inspected yearly.

Deb gave an update on Town Meeting planning and progress.

#### **7. Approval of Minutes - 02/02/2026**

Dan Webster made a motion to accept the minutes for 02/02/2026. Kerry Keement made the second and the vote was unanimous.

#### **8. Warrants**

Deb noted that there would be Warrants on February 23<sup>rd</sup>.

#### **9. Adjourn**

The meeting was adjourned by unanimous consent at 5:40 p.m.