

Minutes of the Work Session June 15, 2026

Members Present: Lynn Sweet, Chair; Brian Monahan

Others Present: Ellen White, Administrator; Sonja Smith, Minutes Keeper

In Attendance: Colin Lentz, Strafford Regional Planning Commission; Matt Messenger, Road Agent and Greg Messenger, Assistant Road Manager

The session was called to order at 4:00PM.

Colin Lentz from Strafford Regional Planning Commission met with members of the Board and Road Agents Matt Messenger and Greg Messenger to review local transportation priorities. Mr. Lentz explained that SRPC can help towns develop project lists, connect projects to funding sources, and coordinate with engineering support when available. His focus is mainly on safety projects.

Infrastructure and safety locations discussed included Wingate Road, First Crown Point Road near the campground, Whig Hill Road/Lauriston Lane, Province Road, Sunny Oak Terrace, the school area and a possible future fire station location.

Road Agent Matt Messenger noted that there are two bridges in Town he'd like to see widened but are not in need of repair.

The Selectmen discussed ongoing safety concerns along Roller Coaster Road in front of the School, noting that several accidents have occurred in this area. The Board expressed interest in implementing additional safety measures, such as installing a flashing warning light and/or painting "SCHOOL" on the roadway in both directions.

The Board also raised concerns about children walking between the school and the library along this busy, high-traffic section. To improve pedestrian safety, they would like to see the installation of a crosswalk equipped with a solar-powered crossing sign and pedestrian-activated button.

Mr. Lentz will prepare a follow-up project list and coordinate with State DOT officials regarding the potential installation of an active speed or flashing warning sign near the school. He will also explore opportunities to enhance roadway safety through the addition of chevron signs, curve warnings, and other low-cost treatments for high-speed or high-risk curves, including areas such as Province Road and Sunny Oak Terrace.

With no further business to discuss, a motion was made and seconded to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 4:39PM.