

Town of Strong, Maine
Select Board Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, July 8, 2025

Town Office: 14 S. Main St. Strong, ME 04983

6PM

1. Call to Order and Attendance

- Meeting called to order at 6:01pm.
- Select Board Members Present: Andrew Bracy, Joel Doyon, Jim Burrill.

2. Approval of Minutes

- Motion by Joel Doyon to approve the June 24, 2025 Select Board meeting minutes. Second: Andrew Bracy. Vote: Unanimously approved.

3. Treasurer's Warrant

- **Motion** by Jim Burrill to approve the Treasurer's Warrant for the week of July 10, 2025, in the amount of \$37,748.23. Second: Joel Doyon. **Vote:** Unanimously approved.

4. New Business

- Discussion regarding issues at Legion Field and the nearby island since the 2023 flood, including trespassing, camping, late night noise, and drug paraphernalia.
- Board agreed to install signage at Legion Field similar to Scott Paul Park:
 - Posted hours (daylight hours unless for a scheduled event).
 - "No alcohol, smoking, or drug use" signs, if available from the Healthy Community Coalition or purchased elsewhere.
- Discussion about possibly drafting a town ordinance on park rules for approval at Town Meeting.

5. Withdrawal Committee Update

- Second committee meeting held; committee now using a Gmail account: strongschoolresearch@gmail.com
- Files and data are now centralized and available to the public on a [Google Drive](#).
- Suggestion to add a QR code on the Town Office door for easy public access.
- Clarified that alternates are intended to replace active committee members should they step down. Andrew Bracy to clarify this at the next committee meeting.

6. Ongoing Business & Grant Updates

- Retirement Plan: To be addressed mid-month.
- Conversion Grant & AVCOG Grant: waiting for funds.
- Scott Paul Park grant application submitted 6/30 (approx. \$18,000–\$19,000) for picnic table roof, granite benches, trail improvements, and sign repairs.

7. Public Comment

- No public comments.

8. Treasurer's Report – Maria Johnson

- Distributed 2nd quarter account expense reports.
- Update on unpaid taxes and liens: 59 liens filed; some payments already received.

9. Clerk's Report – Amanda Coolong

- Completed BMV training, Notary Public application, and IF&W agent application.
- Transitioned town's tech accounts, passwords, and email accounts.
- Identified an old server that needs proper disposal; will coordinate with TRIO.
- Board discussed tightening building security and rekeying internal offices.

10. Other Business

- Motion by Andrew Bracy to approve Freeman and Salem mutual aid agreements for fire protection. Second: Joel Doyon. Vote: Unanimously approved and signed.
- Discussed a request to clean the access road to the Hunter cemetery. Action: Andrew Bracy to contact the landowner.
- **Motion** by Andrew Bracy to hire an excavator for a month to complete ditching and roadside work. Second: Joel Doyon. **Vote:** Unanimously approved.

11. Adjournment

- **Motion** to adjourn: Joel Doyon. Second: Andrew Bracy. **Vote:** Unanimously approved.
- Meeting adjourned at 6:54pm

Next Meeting: Tuesday, July 22, 2025 at 6pm