

**Kingfield Selectmen Meeting Minutes**  
**Monday April 6, 2026; 6:00 PM Webster Hall 38 School Street**

**Attendance**

**Municipal Officers:** Wade Browne, Kim Jordan, Morgan Dunham, Hunter Lander, and Chris Rushton

**Municipal Staff:** Leanna Targett (Town Manager), Travis Targett (Wastewater Superintendent)

**Public:** Mary Ann Bergeron, Richard Hawkes, Judi Hawkes, Valarie Cheimis, Tom Viecek, Barbara Viecek, Taylor Jordan, John Goldfrank, Josh Stewart, Jeffrey Maget, Steve Yates, Fred Nichols, Diane Christen, and Claudia Diller

**Zoom:** Danielle Mathieu, Dave Davol, Michelle Beedy

**Absent:**

Chairman Lander calls the meeting to order.

Selectman Dunham makes a motion to approve the March 16<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes as presented. Seconded by Selectman Browne. All in Favor.

**Old Business:**

Board reviews the final draft of the 2026-2027 budget. TM, Targett explains that the bottom line is a Total decrease of \$104,415.00 or 5.1% compared to last year we increased budget by \$516,411 which was a 23% increase. She explains that there were no additional changes made to budget except for those discussed at the last meeting for administration. Board agrees that this is ready to be provided to the budget committee.

Board reviews the amended budget committee ordinance. TM, Targett explains that she made the changes necessary for a nine-member committee. It was sent via email to the budget committee as directed. There were a few questions which have been answered. She indicates that it will also be in the budget binders for discussion and recommendation.

Next item is to further discuss the removal of tax lien on 51 High Street. TM, Targett reminds the board that this was on the previous meeting agenda however the board wanted time to consider. Selectman Dunham makes a motion to remove the 2025 tax lien from 51 High Street as a good faith gesture. Seconded by Selectman Jordan. All in Favor.

**New Business:**

TM, Targett explains that at a recent work session the annual town meeting date and town report were questioned. She explained at that time that it needed to be discussed in an upcoming board meeting. She explains that there was a question if the date of the town meeting should be changed as she would not be present on June 6<sup>th</sup>. The board indicates that it is important to have the town manager in attendance as she is able to answer questions. Following discussion, the board agrees to move the town meeting to the second Saturday in June, which is June 13<sup>th</sup>. Following this decision TM, Targett suggests moving the voting of officers to June 9<sup>th</sup> to coincide with state and school elections. Board agrees that this makes perfect sense. Board discusses printing of the annual town

report. Due to last year's town meeting vote \$40,000.00 was removed from the administration budget which led to the town report's print cost being removed. TM, Targett reminded the board that it was previously discussed to remove all the fluff and to print a report with the items that was required by statute. She explained that the cost is approximately \$1,000.00 for a condensed report and suggested printing them in house on 11x17 paper which had been done in 2011 for the 6-month budget as she was unclear of intended donations for the printing. Board agrees to in-house printing. This is changed after public comment. It is agreed that a town report would be printed similarly to last years at a printer as Diane Christen was collecting donations to do so.

The next item is to discuss special warrant articles. Which include an arts/music pavilion and an article for a performing arts center. Following discussion, it is agreed that a one-page survey format created as a handout would suffice.

Chairman Lander notes that there is a sewer commitment before the board that was not listed on the agenda. The board reviews the commitment covering April 1 to June 30<sup>th</sup>. Selectman Browne makes a motion to accept as presented. Seconded by Selectman Dunham. All in Favor.

#### **Town Manager Updates/Discussion:**

TM Targett says she is working on the application for the culvert grant. She is also looking into the BRIC grant again for the area known as Mill Street. She has agreed to a joint partnership with Carrabassett Valley to obtain grant funds as part of a community action grant for : **Creating or updating a watershed plan to identify flood mitigation priorities and co-benefits for water quality or habitat improvements.** Garrett and I agreed that it would be best to better manage stormwater in microbursts and intense storms, and flood mitigation and erosion control along Route 27 for both towns. She has continued working on the annual town report and budget, completed the DEP Annual reporting for the Transfer Station and has re-written TIF grant sections following the work session.

**Selectmen Discussion:** Selectman Jordan wishes to compliment both Jonah and Tyson for jobs well done. The entire board agrees that they should be thanked.

Selectman Jordan reminds everyone of the roadside cleanup May 16<sup>th</sup> prior to the marathon on May 17<sup>th</sup>.

#### **Public Comment/Other (not for new business):**

Board hears from those in attendance. There are concerns for notifying the public of the change in town meeting. Punch list items on West Kingfield Road, putting out the speed radar sign, upcoming open house at the fire station on April 19<sup>th</sup> with a swearing in ceremony, and the question of additional funds for legal for ordinances.

Selectman Rushton makes a motion to adjourn meeting. Seconded by Selectman Dunham. All in Favor.

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