

## East Montpelier Selectboard Meeting

Monday, May 4, 2026

**Present:** Joe Brooks, Carl Etnier, Tom Brazier

**Present via Zoom:** Seth Gardner, Scott Hess

**Also Present:** Jen Devine, Town Administrator

**Also Present via Zoom:** Sari Wolf, Alan Goldman, Darryl Garland, Madelief Welters

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Gardner at 6:32 PM

**Additions to the Agenda:** None

**Public Comment:** No comments

### Review of Minutes

**Motion:** To approve the minutes dated April 20, 2026 as presented. **Made:** Mr. Hess / **Second :** Mr. Brazier. No Discussion. **Results 5-0. The motion passed unanimously.**

### Municipal Coordinator Interviews

**Motion:** To enter Executive Session to discuss the appointment or employment of a public officer or employee under 1 V.S.A 313(a)3.

**Made:** Mr. Etnier **Second:** Mr. Brooks. **Results 5-0. The motion passed unanimously.**

Enter Executive Session 6:35 pm.

Exit Executive Session 7:21 pm

### Consideration of MPG North Montpelier Downtown Village Master Plan RFP and Consideration of CDBG North Montpelier Orchard Valley Waldorf School Master Plan

**Motion:** I move that the Selectboard finds that premature general public knowledge of the Downtown Village Plan Proposals and the Orchard Valley Waldorf School Master Plan Proposals would clearly place the Town of East Montpelier or a person involved at a substantial disadvantage.

**Made:** Mr. Etnier **Second:** Mr. Brooks. **Results 5-0. The motion passed unanimously.**

**Motion:** To enter executive session to discuss North Montpelier Downtown Village Plan proposals and the Orchard Valley Waldorf School Master Plan proposals under 1 V.S.A. 313(a)(1)

**Made:** Mr. Etnier **Second:** Mr. Brooks. **Results 5-0. The motion passed unanimously.**

### **Scott Hess left at 7:30pm**

**Enter Executive Session** 7:34 pm

**Exit Executive Session** ?????? pm

[I thought we exited this executive session at 7:35 pm, and that Mr. Hess left the meeting during executive session, at 7:30 pm. And that we started this executive session very shortly after exiting the previous one, e.g., 7:22 pm. But that's from memory]

**Motion:** To authorize the town administrator to accept the proposals from SE Group for the North Montpelier Downtown Village Master Plan and the North Montpelier Orchard Valley Waldorf School Master Plan.

**Made:** Mr. Brooks **Second:** Mr. Brazier. **Results 4-0. The motion passed unanimously.**

### **Adopt the Town Plan**

**Motion:** I move to adopt the Town Plan as submitted

**Made:** Mr. Etnier **Second:** Mr. Brooks. **Results: 4-0. The motion passed unanimously.**

### **Consideration of Fox Market 1st, 2nd, 3rd, & outside consumption Liquor License**

**Motion:** To authorize the Town Clerk to issue the liquor licenses as presented for Fox Market

**Made:** Mr. Brazier **Second:** Mr. Etnier. Results: 4-0. The motion passed unanimously.

### **Warrants**

The May 4, 2026, Expense Warrant **was signed by Selectboard members present in the room.**

### **Town Administrator Report**

- Town Wood Innovations Funding Opportunity – 4 Town grant applications, for a total of \$1.2M, were submitted by 4/22/26; the Town assisted with Fontaine's application submission as well.
- Town Garage Ribbon Cutting – July 25, Saturday at 10am.
- May 19, 2026, Tues, 6-7pm Emergency Preparedness Training at EMFD.
- Green Up Day was a success! – Collected and disposed of 1.49 tons of green bags / trash & 1.45 tons of tires.

### **Discuss possibility of changing certain elected town positions to possibly eliminate or appoint; Town Charter Change or Town Vote**

**Motion:** Motion to enter Executive Sessions under the appointment or employment or evaluation of a public officer or employee, under 1 V.S.A. 313(a)(3)

**Made:** Mr. Etnier **Second:** Mr. Brazier **Results:** 4-0. The motion passed unanimously.

**Enter Executive Session** 7:44 pm.

**Exit Executive Session** ????? pm

**Motion:** To adjourn the meeting.

**Made:** Mr. Brooks **Second:** Mr. Etnier **Results:** 4-0. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting ended at **8:30** PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Glenn Weyant

With suggested edits from Carl Etnier, May 8, 2026