



Town of Pittston  
**Select Board Work Session Minutes**  
January 05, 2026

**ORIGINAL**

**Board Members Present:** Joe Caputo, Cathy Thomas (Chair), Christine R. Holzinger

**Other Town Officials Present:** Greg Lumbert (CEO), Autumn DeVries (ORC), Christian Jensen (Office Supervisor, Treasurer, Tax Collector)

**Recorder:** Marie-Anne Flowers (Administrative Assistant)

1. **Call to Order:** 9:00 am
2. **Approval of December 15, 2025 Minutes:** signed and accepted
3. **Executive Session:** none
4. **Town Business:**
  - a. **ORC - Update:**
    - Autumn attended the work session to review her discussions with Gray Louis relating to the Land Use Ordinance and compliance with LD2003 & LD1829.
    - Designation of residential growth areas has been discussed. Pittston does not use “zoning” language in our ordinances. Determining how to utilize home rule requires identifying growth areas. Our comprehensive plan identifies growth areas in a general sense.
    - Septic conditions also need to be defined. Residential areas can grow depending on the owners’ intentions. Cathy is reviewing the progress made by the ORC, and commented on the amount of dedication, resources, and time reflected in the draft document.
  - b. **CEO – Update:**
    - Greg attended the work session to review his progress. He has made contact with the Arnold Rd resident regarding the letter that was sent.
    - Jim Lothridge inquired about opening a “Thrift Shop”. He was directed to the Planning Board for a business. He is planning on starting with a temporary tent. There is a concern that “temporary” is open to interpretation. Greg believes that any structure should be permitted.
    - Greg feels that the small lot (Patterson Rd) was grandfathered in prior to the change to require 2 acre lots to build on.
    - Joe has concerns with Morse Rd. blasting and building. He will talk with Greg about this at a later date.
  - c. **Arnold Road Complaint Update:**
    - Uninhabited home/yard is not being maintained, has been referred to CEO. Letter sent to property owner by CEO – 2<sup>nd</sup> letter sent certified mail. Greg has spoken to the property owner. He stated that he plans on attending to the matter in 2026.
  - d. **Trash on Old Cedar Grove:** Joe reported this was cleaned up by Aaron Moody.



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- e. **Pinkham Rd - Beavers:** Joe received a call from someone that could arrange to trap the beavers. Joe has not followed up with them yet. Cathy has also been referred to a Youtuber that may also be available. Cathy will forward the information to Joe. Joe will reach out and arrange the removal.
  - f. **Budget Preparation:** Val was not able to attend. Christian reviewed his submitted 2026/2027 budget with the Select Board.
  - g. **Consent Agreement with updated (13 New England Rd):** no update
  - h. **February Meeting Schedule:** Select Board meetings will continue every other week. February meetings will be February 04 & 18 and March 04 & 18.
  - i. **GA Budget Information from Treasurer:** The GA Budgeting suggested changes were reviewed.
  - j. **Jane Hubert Concerns:** Jane addressed the Select Board members about a discussion that took place at the last Select Board Meeting. The Road Commissioner had stated that he had been told to “do no work” by a previous Select Board. Jane was the Chair of that Select Board, and wanted to address Sam’s statement that he was told not to do any work. Sam stated on many occasions in 2024 and 2025 that he charges “state wages,” and he also stated that he is “booked into 2026”. Jane would like to address this issue at the next Select Board meeting.
  - k. **Summer Intern:** Cathy will reach out to staff for their opinion, the need and who will supervise the intern.
  - l. **Kennebec County Budgett Committee Posting:** has been reviewed and was posted.
  - m. **Sam Snow Charges:** The submitted itemization of work performed by the RC was reviewed by the Select Board. Most of the charges are posting roads and installing/replacing road signs. It was discussed if he had charged for these things in the past. This will be addressed with the RC at the select board meeting on January 7, 2026.
  - n. **Lincoln County Recycling Contract:** The proposed contract increase was reviewed. It has been reported by the recycling group that one of our bins is deteriorating, yet the contract stated bins are exchanged. Marie will contact Lincoln County to have the date changed and to ask how many bins we own, if any, and to look at past contracts and report rate increases from 2023 to current.
  - o. **Elected to Appointed Change:** Cathy did research regarding this change. She shared that one of the attorneys from MMA reported most of the towns/cities she talks to have appointed RC This will be on the SB agenda for Jan 7, 2026.
  - p. **Spirit Of America Nominations:** in progress. Cathy has created a nomination form to for the community to respond with nominations. It has been posted on the website, on the FB page, and will also be available at the town office. Nominations are due by May 15<sup>th</sup>.





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**C. Small Projects (<\$10,000):**

**i. Ditching/Culverts:**

**ii. Potholes:**

**iii. Trees and Debris:**

- Hunts Meadow Road debris has been removed

**iv. Missing signs:**

- **Bibs Rd** sign has been reported missing. RC will be asked to look into this.
- **Pittston School Street** "slow children" sign missing. RC will be asked to look into this.

**6. Tabled Agenda Items:**

**a. Review of the Following Ordinances:**

**Tier 1**

- Land Use – LD 2003 & LD 1829 (in development)**
- Building**
- Subdivision**
- Mobile home, RV, Camper**
- Business Development** -\_maybe moved to tier 1/get feedback from PB

**Tier 2**

- Shore Land Zoning**
- Resource Protected Land (needs to be developed)**
- Flood Plain**

**Tier 3**

- Addressing**
- Mailbox**
- Entrance**
- Well Head Protection**

**b. Road Striping: Spring**

**c. Jewett Road:**

**d. Identify Caretakers for Cemeteries in Need:**

**e. Tax club**

**f. Secure Records Storage Request:**

**g. Engine 23 Disposition (2025)**



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- h. Pinkham Road - Togus Stream:
- i. Misc. Town Work:
  - i. Troop Rd
  - ii. Ledge Hill Rd:
  - iii. North (Beech Hill) Rd Plan
- j. Salt Shed Seal Repair & Containment:
  - xiii. Congressional spending grants
  - xiv. Funding Plan for plant containment

**7. Town Announcements & Information**

**THERE WILL BE NO SELECT BOARD MEETING:**

**JANUARY 14 & 28**  
**FEBRUARY 11 & 25**  
**MARCH 11 & 25**

**THERE WILL BE NO SB WORK SESSION**

**JANUARY 19**  
**FEBRUARY 16**

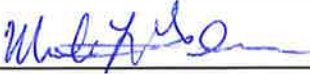

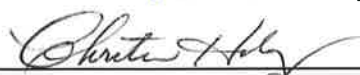
- Next SB Work Session(s): Jan 12, 26 Feb 02, 09, 23 (9 am)**
- Next SB Meeting(s): Jan 07, 21 Feb 04, 18 (6 pm)**
- Planning Board: Jan 08 (6:00 pm)**
- RiverWalk: Jan 05 (6 pm)**
- Joint Board Meeting: Jan 14 (6pm)**
- Pittston Historical Society: Jan 08 (9am) Town Office**
- Cemetery Caretaker Meeting:
- Ordinance Review Committee:
- Personnel Committee:
- Appeals Board:
- Budget Committee:

**8. Meeting Adjournment: 12:34 pm**



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Respectfully submitted by:

	1-12-26
Marie-Anne Flowers, Admin Assistant	Date
	1/12/26
Catherine Thomas, Selectperson Chair	Date
	1/12/26
Christine Holzinger, Selectperson	Date
_____ Joseph Caputo, Selectperson	Date

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