TOWN OF GRANBY
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
REGULAR BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING
JUNE 15, 2026
MINUTES

CERTIFIED TRUE ELECTRONIC COPY
From the Records of the
Town of Granby
as of 6:17 P.M.
June 18, 2026
Attested by:
Jen Espinal

PRESENT: Margaret Q. Chapple, Vice-Chairwoman; Mark C. Neumann, Kimberly L. Becker, and Frederick A. Moffa; Madeline Ayotte, Student Liaison.

REMOTE: Mark H. Fiorentino, First Selectman, Kimi Cheng, Director of Finance and Betsy Mazzotta, Management Assistant.

ALSO PRESENT: Michael P. Walsh, Town Manager, Jen Espinal, Town Clerk

and members of the public.

CALL TO ORDER

Vice-Chairwoman, P. Chapple called the Board of Selectmen Regular Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Town Hall Main Meeting Room, Granby, Connecticut.

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by P. Chapple.

2. MINUTES

2. I. Approval of Board of Selectmen Regular Meeting Minutes – June 1, 2026

ON A MOTION DULY MADE BY M. Neumann, seconded by F. Moffa, the Board voted unanimously (5-0-0) to approve the minutes from the Board of Selectmen Regular meeting on June 1, 2026.

3. APPOINTMENTS/ RESIGNATIONS

None

4. COMMUNICATIONS

4.I. Capital Region Council of Government (CRCOG) Shared Services – Matt Hart

Executive Director Capital Region Council of Governments (CRCOG) Matt Hart, accompanied by Chief Operating Officer Pauline Yoder, provided the Board with an overview of CRCOG's regional services and discussed opportunities for shared services.

Mr. Hart explained that CRCOG is one of nine councils of governments in Connecticut, serving 38 municipalities and nearly one million residents. He highlighted CRCOG's four primary service areas, including transportation planning, public safety and emergency management, regional planning and economic development, and municipal services.

Mr. Hart discussed his experience with municipal shared services and highlighted potential benefits, including:

- Increased efficiency and potential cost savings.

- Ability to provide higher levels of service by combining resources.
- Improved access to specialized expertise.
- Stronger collaboration between municipalities and school districts.
- Greater transparency and coordination.

Ms. Yoder reviewed CRCOG's municipal service programs, including cooperative purchasing opportunities, IT services, online permitting solutions, and regional GIS resources. She noted that CRCOG's cooperative purchasing program serves more than 150 entities and provides cost-effective procurement options for municipalities.

Town Manager Michael Walsh outlined Granby's existing shared service arrangements, including:

- Shared School Resource Officer program between the Town and Board of Education.
- Shared Information Technology services through a memorandum of understanding.
- Wastewater processing through the Simsbury Water Pollution Control Authority.
- Mutual aid agreements for dispatch and radio services.
- Participation in the Farmington Valley Health District.
- Cooperative purchasing through CRCOG.
- Existing shared services with neighboring municipalities, including Building Official and Animal Control Officer functions.

Mr. Walsh also discussed a Regional Performance Incentive Program (RPIP) grant application submitted with the Town of East Granby to support shared Human Resources services. Under the proposed arrangement, Granby's Human Resources Director would provide services to East Granby one day per week, with grant funding supporting implementation.

5. NEW BUSINESS

5.1. Pension Committee- Refresh Charge; Appointment of Finance Director, Kimi Cheng.

Town Manager, M. Walsh, presented a memorandum regarding the Pension Committee structure and recommended appointing Finance Director Kimi Cheng as designated member, consistent with the Pension Plan requirements.

A background on the Town's Pension Plan and Trust was provided, noting that the existing Pension Plan Labor Agreement and Pension Plan Document date back to 2003 and require updates to ensure compliance with current pension laws and IRS requirements.

The Committee's next steps include reviewing the annual pension report, formally designating the Town Manager as Plan Administrator, addressing pending matters, and beginning the process of updating the pension documents with assistance from pension counsel.

ON A MOTION DULY MADE BY M. Neumann, seconded by K. Becker, the Board voted (5-0-0) to create per the Pension Plan Labor Agreement (PPLA) the Pension Plan Committee; and

further, to appoint Town of Granby Finance Director Kimi Cheng to the committee for a five-year term ending January 13, 2032, or until a successor is appointed and qualified.

6. OLD BUSINESS

6.I. Bond Questions (from the BOS Meeting - May 4, 2026)

6.I.1. 2026 Bond Referendum Questions and Proceedings - Resolution Approval; Referral
6.I.2. 2026 Bond Referendum Questions - Set a Town Meeting
6.I.3. 2026 Bond Referendum Questions - Set a Referendum Date

The Board reviewed informational materials regarding proposed bonding questions. No action was taken. Discussion focused on whether to hold a separate referendum in September or combine the vote with the November general election.

The Board discussed considerations including voter eligibility requirements for non-elector property owners, timing of the proposed library grant submission, the need for additional project details, and the efficiency of combining the referendum with the November election.

The Board requested that Town Manager Mike Walsh and Town Clerk prepare a draft combining the athletic field bonding question for review and discussion at the July 6 meeting. Further discussion and a decision on the referendum timing will occur at a future meeting.

7. TOWN MANAGER REPORT

7.I. Town Manager's Project Activity Report

Town Manager M. Walsh provided an update on ongoing Town initiatives, including attendance at the monthly CRCOG meeting and continued collaboration with regional partners. Mr. Walsh reported that appointments have been finalized for the Public Building and Capital Project Committee and the Intra-Board Advisory Committee, both of which will begin meeting monthly at the Senior Center. An update on the issuance of a joint RFP for a consultant, with eight responses received for IBAC review, and an RFP for civil engineering services related to upcoming capital projects, including the high school track. Mr. Walsh noted that no expenditure will occur until appropriate approvals and funding are in place.

Additional updates included the Pension Committee appointment and next steps, establishment of quarterly Insurance Committee meetings, updated 2026 bond timelines, and continued work on defined benefit pension contract negotiations.

7.II. Monthly Budget Report- Finance Director Kimi Cheng

Finance Director K. Cheng presented the May 2026 financial report. She reported that tax collections remained consistent with the prior year, at 103% compared to 102% during the same period last year. The Town received an additional $241,000 in Special Education Excess Cost Grant funding, bringing the fiscal year total to $770,836, approximately $183,000 over budget.

The Town is also awaiting approximately $851,000 in tuition revenue from other municipalities, expected in June. General Fund expenditures as of May 31, 2026, were at 87% compared to 85% during the same period last year. Overtime projections for the Department of Public Works and Police Department remain consistent with prior estimates.

8. FIRST SELECTMAN REPORT (Mark Fiorentino)

First Selectman, M. Fiorentino expressed appreciation to Town Manager Mike Walsh, Betsy, Finance Director Kimi Cheng, Town Clerk, and the entire Town Hall staff for their continued efforts and additional workload in supporting regional organizations, committees, and Town initiatives. He recognized the significant commitment required to support upcoming projects, including the Intra-Board Advisory Committee and Public Building and Capital Project Committee.

Fiorentino noted that additional administrative support may be needed to manage the increased workload and indicated that a future discussion regarding funding a part-time position may be brought forward for Board consideration.

9. SELECTMEN REPORTS (Margaret Q. Chapple, Kimberly L. Becker, Frederick A. Moffa, Mark C. Neumann; and Madeline Ayotte, Student Liaison)

M. Neumann provided an update on the America 250 Committee's efforts to promote upcoming Independence Day celebrations. Events planned for the Fourth of July weekend include a concert and bonfire at the park on Friday, July 3, followed by a parade and community picnic at Salmon Brook Park on July 4. The Board also acknowledged Captain LaFlamme for providing advance notice regarding police training activities at Kearns School.

K. Becker expressed appreciation to the America 250 Committee for their work organizing the events.

F. Moffa, expressed appreciation to the America 250 Committee for their dedication and efforts in organizing the upcoming community events.

M. Ayotte reported that the high school graduation was held on June 11 and was a positive and well-attended ceremony celebrating the senior class. The same evening, the senior safe grad party was also held and was noted as one of the most successful events in recent years, with students participating respectfully and enjoying the event. Finally, it was noted that Salmon Brook Pond is scheduled to open on Saturday at 11:00 a.m.

M. Chapple encouraged public participation in the upcoming July 3rd and 4th Independence Day celebrations, recognizing the extensive work of the committee in organizing the events. Peg also acknowledged the recent tragedy at High Meadow and expressed appreciation to first responders for their professionalism and prompt response, as well as to the Superintendent of Schools for immediately providing counseling support to those affected.

9. PUBLIC SESSION

M. Kramarenko, Notch Road, inquired about the proposed Route 20 sidewalk project, asking for clarification on its location. The resident also asked about potential redevelopment of the former Kearns School property.

10. EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

11. ADJOURNMENT

ON A MOTION DULY MADE BY F. Moffa, seconded by M. Neumann the Board voted unanimously (5-0-0) to adjourn the Board of Selectmen Regular Meeting at 8:03 p.m.

Respectfully Recorded & Attested,



Jen Espinal

Town Clerk

Received for Record: June 18, 2026, at 6:17 P.M.
By Jini Ruscitti, Assistant Town Clerk

The next regular meeting of the Town of Granby Board of Selectmen is scheduled for Monday, July 6, 2026, in the Town Hall Main Meeting Room.