TOWN OF GRANBY
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
REGULAR BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING
AUGUST 3, 2026
MINUTES

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From the Records of the **Town of Granby**
as of 12:41 P.M.
August 10, 2026
Attested by:

PRESENT: Mark H. Fiorentino, First Selectman, Margaret Q. Chapple, Vice-Chairwoman; Kimberly L. Becker.

ALSO PRESENT: Michael P. Walsh, Town Manager; Jen Espinal, Town Clerk; members of the public.

REMOTE: Mark C. Neumann, Selectmen; Betsy Mazzotta, Management Assistant; and members of the public.

ABSENT: Frederick A. Moffa, Selectmen; Kimi Cheng, Director of Finance.

CALL TO ORDER
First Selectman M. Fiorentino called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Selectmen to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Town of Granby Senior Center, Granby, Connecticut.

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
The Pledge of Allegiance was led by First Selectman, Fiorentino.

2. MINUTES

2.1. Approval of Board of Selectmen Regular Meeting Minutes – July 20, 2026

ON A MOTION DULY MADE BY P. Chapple, seconded by K. Becker, the Board voted unanimously (4-0-0) to approve the minutes from the Board of Selectmen Regular meeting on July 20, 2026.

3. APPOINTMENTS/ RESIGNATIONS

3.1. Jessica J. Diglio Board of Education
ON A MOTION DULY MADE BY P. Chapple, seconded by K. Becker, the Board voted unanimously (4-0-0) to appoint Jessica J. Diglio to the Town of Granby Board of Education, effective August 3, 2026, to serve until the next Municipal Election on November 2, 2027, and until a successor elected at that election takes office.

4. COMMUNICATIONS

4.1. Referral from POCD Committee- Plan of Conservation and Development 2026-2036
The Board discussed the referral of the draft 2026–2036 Plan of Conservation and Development (POCD) from the Planning and Zoning Commission. The draft was reviewed by the Commission on July 14 and July 28, 2026, and referred to the Board of Selectmen and the Capitol Region

Council of Governments (CRCOG). A public hearing is scheduled for October 13, 2026, before the Planning and Zoning Commission, which will take final action on the plan.

The Board recognized the significant work of the POCD Committee, staff, and community members who contributed through meetings and public comments. The Board noted that the updated format improves readability and accessibility. Members also emphasized the importance of aligning future planning and zoning regulations with the adopted POCD while maintaining Granby's character and encouraging responsible growth and a sustainable tax base.

5. OLD BUSINESS (Referral to BOF vote moved from 5.1.1 to 5.1.4)

5.1. Bond Questions: 2026 Referendum Questions – Resolutions, Warning, and Questions

5.1.1. 2026 Bond Referendum Questions and Proceedings - Resolution Approval
ON A MOTION DULY MADE BY P. Chapple, seconded by K. Becker, the Board voted unanimously (4-0-0) to approve the Board resolutions, the warning, and the five bond questions as presented in the meeting packet, including the amendments discussed by the Board.

5.1.2. 2026 Bond Referendum Questions - Set a Town Meeting
5.1.3. 2026 Bond Referendum Questions - Set a Referendum Date

ON A MOTION DULY MADE BY P. Chapple, seconded by K. Becker, the Board voted unanimously (4-0-0) to approve the Public Hearing for December 1, 2026, and the referendum vote for December 8, 2026, and to direct the Town Clerk to begin the necessary process.

5.1.4. Refer Resolutions to Board of Finance
ON A MOTION DULY MADE BY P. Chapple, seconded by K. Becker, the Board voted unanimously (4-0-0) to refer the resolutions concerning the aforementioned projects to the Board of Finance.

5.11. Electioneering Policy Approval
The Board reviewed the redlined Electioneering Policy, which incorporates prior Board discussion and resident input. The policy was reviewed for compliance with applicable state statutes by the Town Clerk, Registrars, Moderator, and Town Attorney. The Board expressed support for the policy, noting that it formalizes existing practices while balancing election integrity and the public's ability to express views.

ON A MOTION DULY MADE BY P. Chapple, seconded by K. Becker, the Board voted (4-0-0) to approve and adopt the Electioneering Policy as presented, incorporating the revisions reflected in the redlined version.

6. NEW BUSINESS

6.1. FY26 Transfer of Accounts and Budget Amendments

The Board reviewed year-end FY2026 account transfers and budget amendments recommended by the Board of Finance. The adjustments include transfers totaling $91,000 for various year-end expenses, $182,000 transferred to severance, and a $177,000 transfer between the General Fund and Small Capital Fund to align lease payments with the accounts from which expenses were paid. The amendments are part of the annual year-end closing process and will allow completion of the FY2026 audit.

ON A MOTION DULY MADE BY P. Chapple, seconded by K. Becker, the Board voted (4-0-0) to move that the Board of Selectmen authorizes the transfer of accounts and the budget amendments as listed in the above tables.

7. TOWN MANAGER REPORT

7.1. Town Manager's Project Activity Report

The Board received the Town Manager's July Department Activity Report. Highlights included the appointment of Alan Dominy, formerly Deputy Fire Marshal, as Fire Marshal. The report provided updates on activities and ongoing projects across Community Development, Public Works, Human Services, Youth Services, and Elections. The Board was also informed of various departmental initiatives, staffing updates, infrastructure projects, community programs, and preparations for upcoming elections.

8. FIRST SELECTMAN REPORT (Mark Fiorentino)

First Selectman, M. Fiorentino, reported on the Town's 2026 Heritage Time Capsule project, including a letter prepared for Granby residents who will open the capsule in 2076. He expressed appreciation to the many volunteers whose efforts contributed to the project and emphasized the importance of preserving Granby's history, traditions, volunteerism, and community spirit for future generations.

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

P. Chapple recognized the Granby Historical Society event, noting that it was exceptionally well done and served as a meaningful tribute to members of the Granby community.

K. Becker expressed appreciation to Granby volunteers, and all their efforts.

M. Neumann reported on the burial of the Heritage Time Capsule and expressed appreciation to the Town crew and volunteers who assisted with the project. He also recognized the Salmon Brook Historical Society for its work on the time capsule as part of the America 250th anniversary projects, noting the hope that future generations will enjoy learning about Granby in 2076. Mark reminded residents that the Public Buildings Capital Projects Committee will meet on August 12 and welcomed the public to attend either in person or via Zoom. The committee will discuss preparations related to the bonding questions approved by the Board.

7. PUBLIC SESSION

M. Kramarenko, Notch Road, addressed the Board on Town regulations and their impact on residents' rights and public expression. He also raised questions regarding the use of surveillance cameras and requested information about whether such cameras are currently used by the Town and, if so, their number and locations.

R. Flannigan, 24 Woodcliff Drive addressed the Board regarding Town's ordinance, particularly provisions concerning sign placement and the applicable distance requirements, election laws, enforcement, and recent state and federal policies.

N. Dethlefsen, 24 Round Hill Road, suggested that the Town consider repurposing or offering the America 250 anniversary signs to residents when they are removed, potentially through a raffle or fundraising initiative, rather than disposing of them.

10. EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

11. ADJOURNMENT

ON A MOTION DULY MADE BY P. Chapple, seconded by K. Becker, the Board voted unanimously (4-0-0) to adjourn the Board of Selectmen Regular Meeting at 7:53 p.m.

A full version of the Board of Selectmen meeting can be found at Granby Community Television https://gctv16.org.

Respectfully recorded and attested

Jen Espinal
Town Clerk
Received for Record: August 7, 2026, at 1:16 P.M.
By Jini Ruscitti, Assistant Town Clerk

The next regular meeting of the Town of Granby Board of Selectmen is scheduled for Monday, August 17, 2026, in the Town Hall Main Meeting Room.