



**Town of Whitingham
Office of the Selectboard**

MINUTES OF JANUARY 15, 2026

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The Whitingham Selectboard held a special meeting at 4:00pm in the Selectboard office of the Whitingham Municipal Center on Thursday, January 15, 2026.

Selectboard members present: Scott M Reed, Chair; James Weber, Vice Chair; and Rick Gramlin (remote).

Others present: Gig Zboray, Selectboard Administrator; Stanley Janovsky, Jr., Road Commissioner; and Chip Dana, Jon Saccoccio, and Brud Sanderson of Stevens & Associates (remote).

Call to Order

Scott M. Reed called the meeting to order at 4:00pm.

Additions or Changes to the Agenda

There were no changes to the agenda

Hearing of Visitors for concerns not on the agenda

None

Meet with engineers re Highway Garage cost estimate

The engineers put the 90% plans for the highway garage out for a cost estimate. It came back at \$6,096,294 with contingencies and markups. That is far above what anyone was expecting. Discussion ensued about how to reduce the cost. The best option seems to be to hire a Construction Manager who would oversee the entire project and put each aspect of it (plumbing, electrical, etc.) out to bid to get the best price on each versus putting the entire project out to bid to a contractor. It was estimated that a Construction Manager for the design phase is about \$15,000, and then about 3-5% of construction costs. Stevens & Associates can help us put out an RFP for a construction manager and provide us with criteria to use in choosing one.

Next Steps

The Construction Manager idea will be discussed and likely decided upon at the next regular Selectboard meeting on January 21st.

Other business

None.

Adjourn

A motion to adjourn was made by Scott M. Reed, seconded by James Weber, all in favor.

Scott M. Reed adjourned the meeting at 4:53 pm.

Due to technical difficulties, there is no recording of this meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

~Gig Zboray