

*Town of Otis*  
**Select Board/ Board of Health**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
*Conference Room, 1 North Main Rd., Otis, MA*  
**Tuesday, Mar 10, 2026, at 6:30 PM**

This meeting will be held in person at the location provided on this notice. Members of the public are welcome to attend. A remote option is offered via zoom with the link provided below.

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Topic: Select Board

Time: Mar 10, 2026 06:30 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

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**Attendance:** Gary Thomas, Larry Southard, Terry Gould, Brandi Page, Sue Brofman, Lisa D’Orazio, Cynthia and John Fletcher, Sue Ebitz, Mary Nagy, Andy Bell, Sheila B., Bruce Barry, and Jackie Gentile. On Zoom: Richard Margulis, Michael Anthony, Mark Anthony and 4132698905.

**Call to Order:** 6:30 PM.

**Approval of Minutes:** There were no minutes ready for approval.

**Pole Petition:** Michael Anthony was present on behalf of the application. This is a large project upgrading to three phase. There are roughly 52 poles on Rte. 23 under State jurisdiction and 22 midspan poles proposed on Tyringham Road which is Town jurisdiction. Older existing poles will be replaced with new 45’ poles. They tried to be considerate of properties in determining the pole locations. There was discussion on properties being able to upgrade to three phase power after the improvements and any necessary tree removal. The pole locations are staked but with the amount of snow we’ve had there are currently buried. Terry said she drove Tyringham Road to look at the locations. Gary made a motion to approve, Larry seconded and the motion passed. Vote 3-0.

**Master Plan:** The Planning Board recommended Berkshire Regional Planning as the highest qualified proposal. The cost amounts were opened. The Board made a motion to award the technical assistance for the Master Plan update to Berkshire Regional Planning for \$70,000. Brandi will contact them to get an agreement ready. Mark Anthony also informed the Board that the Planning Board is recommending the Select Board place adoption of the Seasonal Communities Designation

on the Annual Town Meeting Warrant. They discussed over several meetings and felt it was beneficial to the Town. Brandi will place in on the next agenda with more information for the Board.

**Cemetery Rules & Regs:** The Board reviewed the updated cemetery rules and regulations. The Cemetery Commission voted to adopt them at their last meeting and is requesting the Select Board approve as well. The Board didn't have any concerns. Larry made a motion to approve, Gary seconded and the motion passed. Vote 3-0.

**EMS Partnership:** We had been scheduled to meet with Monterey to discuss ways to partner on EMS coverage. That meeting will need to be rescheduled. The Board was good with continuing discussions.

**Recent & Upcoming Events:** None.

**Review & Approval of Warrants:** Payroll and vendor warrants are on the table for signature.

**Not Anticipated by the Board:** None.

**Adjourn:** At 7:53 Gary made a motion to enter executive session and stated they did not intend to return to open session. Roll call Vote as follows: Terry-yes, Larry -yes and Gary yes. Public portion of the meeting closed.