

Town of Otis
Selectboard/ Board of Health
Meeting Minutes
Conference Room, 1 North Main Rd., Otis, MA
Tuesday, Jan 13, 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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Anyone with interest in any specific item should plan in person attendance. This meeting is being recorded.

Topic: Select Board

Time: Jan 13, 2026 06:30 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

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Attendance: Larry Southard, Brandi Page, Stacey Schultze, Sue Brofman, Diane Dyer, Lisa D'Orazio, Tara Monatesse, B.J. O'Brien and Chris Bouchard. Zoom: John Fletcher and Lisa D'Orazio. Zoom: Gary Thomas.

Call to Order: 6:30 PM.

Approval of Minutes: The minutes from Dec 9th were approved as written.

Reservoir Road Project: We have over 2 million in funding so the project is moving forward. The Board reviewed a proposal from Crowley & Associates for the remaining easements and SLR Consultants for bidding and construction assistance. Larry made a motion to approve both agreements. Gary seconded. Motion passed.

Sewer Extension: When our sewer system was put in there were a few connections at the south end of Main Road that were not designed and installed at the time. The Board reviewed a proposal from S.K. Design to design the extension. Activity on the furthest parcel has necessitated completing the system to include the lots that we have an obligation to connect. The Board was good with the proposal. Larry made a motion to approve both agreements. Gary seconded. Motion passed.

Shared Animal Control: The Board reviewed a proposal for a shared animal control position. Gary felt this was better discussed during budget time. Item tabled.

EMS Task Force: The Board discussed the ongoing Southern Berkshire EMS Task Force meetings. They felt Otis should withdraw from the discussion at this point with none of the resulting options being a good fit for Otis. We are excited to finally have EMS operations under the Town and feel we are already heading in a good direction. Monterey is looking to meet and discuss ways to collaborate.

Opioid Funds: Rural Recovery had requested the Board consider directing our Opioid funds to support their program. Chris Bouchard pointed out the funds could be used for training or Narcan kits. The Board tabled this discussion until we have a full list of ideas for what we might spend the funds on.

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: 6:55 PM.