



**Alburgh Selectboard Special Meeting**  
**Held in Person and/or via Zoom – Town Conference Room**  
**Saturday, January 24, 2026, at 6:00PM**

**Minutes**

**Meeting Time and Date:** January 24, 2026, at 6:00PM

**Meeting Location:** Alburgh Town Office (Conference Room) - 1 N Main Street

**Public Officials Present:** Alex McCracken, Vice-Chair (via zoom); Russell Duchaine, Member; Jim Hokenberg, Member

**Public Officials Absent:** Elliot Knight, Chair; Damien Henry, Member

**Staff Members:** Amanda Costello, Town Administrator; Margret Brescia, Town Treasurer (via zoom)

**Public Present:** See Sign-In Sheet

**1) Call to Order:**

A. McCracken called the meeting to order at 6:04PM

**2) Agenda Review & Adjustments:**

None.

**3) Public Forum:**

None.

**4) FY27 Proposed Budget Review**

Board reviewed proposed FY27 budget and reviewed changes from previous fiscal year. FY25 surplus was added to FY27 budget to offset proposed expenses for blacktopping as discussed at previous budget meeting.

**Motion made by A. McCracken to accept the proposed budget for the Fiscal Year 2027 as drafted and reviewed for general town purposes and year-round maintenance of town highways at 6:08pm, with a second by J. Hokenberg. Motion approved unanimously.**

**5) Town Report Overview & Ballot Article Review**

Board reviewed draft Town Report, no comment. Board reviewed the proposed ballot items. Article (2) wording reviewed for town officers report, written based on VLCT recommendations. Additionally, the Board discussed the need to add an article to borrow in anticipation of taxes. Treasurer proposed future ballot item to bring back the quarterly installments for property taxes. An incentive for a discounted tax rate for early payment of property taxes was also brought up, to be discussed at a later meeting.

**Motion made by A. McCracken to approve the ballot articles as presented with addition of article authorizing Town to borrow in anticipation of taxes at 6:24pm, with a second by J. Hokenberg. Motion approved unanimously.**

**6) Adjournment:**

**Motion by R. Duchaine to adjourn at 6:26pm with a second by J. Hokenberg. Motion approved unanimously. Meeting adjourned by A. McCracken.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Amanda Costello

APPROVED MINUTES: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Elliot Knight, Chair

Filed with the Alburgh Town Clerk's Office on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2026.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_, Alburgh Town Clerk