



GEORGIA VERMONT

Selectboard Regular Meeting Monday, February 23, 2026 at 6:00 PM Chris Letourneau Meeting Room and via Zoom Minutes

Zoom Details:

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CALL TO ORDER 6:00PM

SELECTBOARD PRESENT

Chair Kristina Senna, Vice Chair Brian Dunsmore (via Zoom), Kellie Bosenberg, Judith Nasca, Carl Rosenquist

STAFF PRESENT

Todd Cadieux, Doug Bergstrom, Kollene Caspers, Lori Hobart, Stacy Katon, Cheryl Letourneau (via Zoom)

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. CHAIR UPDATE

Chair Senna shared the following words with the Selectboard, Staff and Georgia Community:

This is my last regular meeting as Chair and as a member of the Selectboard, and tonight I'm feeling a mix of gratitude, pride, and deep thankfulness.

Serving on this board has been one of the most meaningful-yet yes, sometimes frustrating-experiences of my life. We've sat around this table so many nights, working through tough issues, listening to our neighbors, and doing our best to make decisions that move the Town of Georgia forward. And through all of it, I've been reminded again and again why I love this town.

To my fellow board members: thank you. Truly. Thank you for your dedication, your honesty, and your willingness to show up fully-even when the conversations were hard or the hours were long. We haven't always agreed, but we've always cared. And that's what makes this work real.

To our town staff: you are the steady hands behind everything that works in this community. Your professionalism, your patience, and your resilience, especially through the many transitions of the last few years-have meant more than I can say. I'm grateful for every late-night message, every careful explanation, every moment you helped us see the bigger picture.

39 *And to the residents-everyone who writes in, speaks up, asks questions, challenges us, and*
40 *reminds us why this work matters-thank you. Your engagement is the heartbeat of local democracy.*
41 *You've pushed me, inspired me, and made me better.*

42 *As I step away from this role, I do so with a full heart. I'm proud of what we've accomplished*
43 *together, and I'm hopeful for what lies ahead. This town is in good hands- because it's filled with*
44 *good people.*

45 *Thank you for trusting me. And thank you for giving me the honor of serving you.*
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47 **3. ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, OR CHANGES TO THE AGENDA**

- 48 • L. Hobart requested the addition of Warrant #2607 (4E)
- 49 • S. Katon requested the addition of Zoning Escrow (7B) and a New Volunteer Hire for the
- 50 Fire Department (8K)
- 51 • Chair Senna requested an Executive Session for Personnel (12)

52 Motion to add the above to the Agenda

53 Motion made by C. Rosenquist, Seconded by J. Nasca

54 Voting Yea: Chair Senna, Vice Chair Dunsmore, K. Bosenberg, J. Nasca, C. Rosenquist
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56 **4. SELECTBOARD MINUTES AND WARRANTS**

57 A. Approval of Selectboard Special Meeting: Liquor Board for February 9, 2026

58 Motion to approve the minutes as written.

59 Motion made by C. Rosenquist, Seconded by J. Nasca

60 Voting Yea: Chair Senna, Vice Chair Dunsmore, K. Bosenberg, J. Nasca, C. Rosenquist
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62 B. Approval of Selectboard Regular Meeting Minutes for February 9, 2026

63 Motion to approve the minutes as written.

64 Motion made by C. Rosenquist, Seconded by K. Bosenberg

65 Voting Yea: Chair Senna, Vice Chair Dunsmore, K. Bosenberg, J. Nasca, C. Rosenquist
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67 C. Approval of Payroll Warrant

68 Motion to approve the Payroll Warrant

69 Motion made by J. Nasca, Seconded by C. Rosenquist.

70 Voting Yea: Chair Senna, Vice Chair Dunsmore, K. Bosenberg, J. Nasca, C. Rosenquist
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72 D. Approval of Warrant #2606 in the amount of \$45,057.17

73 Motion to approve Warrant #2606 in the amount of \$45,057.17

74 Motion made by K. Bosenberg, Seconded by C. Rosenquist

- 75 • L. Hobart answered questions about the warrant.

76 Voting Yea: Chair Senna, Vice Chair Dunsmore, K. Bosenberg, J. Nasca, C. Rosenquist
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78 E. Approval of Warrant #2607 in the amount of \$14,755.94

79 Motion to approve Warrant #2607 in the amount of \$14,755.94.

80 Motion made by K. Bosenberg, Seconded by C. Rosenquist.

- 81 • L. Hobart answered warrant questions.
- 82 • This warrant includes library invoices brought after the agenda posted, including the
- 83 architectural invoice for the feasibility study.

84 Voting Yea: Chair Senna, Vice Chair Dunsmore, Bosenberg, Nasca, Rosenquist
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86 **5. PUBLIC COMMENT (For items not on agenda)**

87 All participants must clearly state their names. Appropriate actions will be considered once the
88 Selectboard has reviewed the information provided and necessary subsequent research.

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90 **6. CORRESPONDENCE**

- 91 A. Announcement of Franklin County Sherrif New Deputy Level III
92 B. Sheriff's Monthly Activity Report (January 2026)
93 C. Georgia Industrial Development Corporation (GIDC) Annual Report
94 Correspondence addition, Patricia _ level funded the library, they did receive additional
95 funding with salary offsets, the Trustees can give Bridget a raise if they choose to do so.
96 Clarification on the email.

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98 **7. BOARD BUSINESS (Public comment on agenda items limited to 5 minutes)**

99 A. Philo Securities Maintenance

- 100 • Concerns were raised at the Georgia Public Library regarding door lock and panic button.
101 Both the Town offices and the Library have panic buttons. The panic buttons were tested a
102 few months ago.
103 • D. Bergstrom was present to answer questions about regular maintenance of the panic
104 buttons. He is able to perform the maintenance and battery change on a once-a-year
105 schedule. Philo Security can perform the maintenance at approximately \$600 a year. The
106 Board discussed the options and potential liability.
107 • Internal cameras in the library were discussed, for patron and staff safety as well as liability
108 for the Town.

109 Motion to approve Philo performing testing and maintenance once a year at the Library and
110 Town offices.

111 Motion made by C. Rosenquist, Seconded by J. Nasca

112 Voting Yea: Chair Senna, Vice Chair Dunsmore, K. Bosenberg, J. Nasca, C. Rosenquist

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114 B. Zoning Administrator Escrow - Action to Approve

- 115 • D. Bergstrom was present to explain the need for escrow. A property in the Radharc
116 subdivision will need to change the trees planted as required in the DRB decision letter
117 before a Certificate of Occupancy can be issued. Given the current weather, the property
118 owners can put the funds into escrow with the Town and complete the project when the
119 weather allows.

120 Motion to approve a \$4,700 escrow for 113 Radharc Drive.

121 Motion made by C. Rosenquist, Seconded by J. Nasca

122 Voting Yea: Chair Senna, Vice Chair Dunsmore, K. Bosenberg, J. Nasca, C. Rosenquist

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124 C. Acknowledge and Closure of the Ethics Complaint Received February 6, 2026

- 125 • The Town Administrator reported receipt of an ethics complaint that has been withdrawn
126 by the complainant. The conduct that prompted the complaint has been cancelled by the
127 parties involved. No review or investigation was undertaken, and the matter is considered
128 closed. The Selectboard acknowledged the report and took no further action.

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130 D. TAP Grant Change in Application and Process, Estimated 3-5 years, May Effect the Mill River
131 Bridge Project

- 132 • T. Cadieux was present to explain the changes to the grant process and answer
133 Selectboard questions.

- 134 • If the Town wishes to move forward with this grant, we will need to start the process
135 over. This will change the progress already made to the project, including suspending
136 the engineer, returning materials already purchased, and pushing the project out for 3-5
137 years; and all current easements, permits and approvals may expire. If the Town wants
138 to stay on the current timeline to replace the culvert this year, we may have to give up
139 the grant.
140 • S. Katon explained because this is a federal grant, certain requirements need to be met.
141 This was a grant for up to \$950,000.
142 • The Town has invested approximately \$250,000 on the Mill River Bridge project to
143 date. The total cost for the project is estimated to be around \$500,000.

144 Motion to withdraw the TAP grant application and proceed with the original project plan.

145 Motion made by C. Rosenquist, Seconded by J. Nasca

146 Voting Yea: Chair Senna, Vice Chair Dunsmore, K. Bosenberg, J. Nasca, C. Rosenquist

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148 E. Social Media Policy - Action to Approve

149 Motion to approve the Social Media Policy as written.

150 Motion made by C. Rosenquist, Seconded by K. Bosenberg

151 Voting Yea: Chair Senna, Vice Chair Dunsmore, K. Bosenberg, J. Nasca, C. Rosenquist

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153 F. Tobacco Free Policy - Action to Approve

154 Motion to approve the Tobacco Free Policy as written.

155 Motion made by C. Rosenquist, Seconded by K. Bosenberg

- 156 • Discussion was had on No Smoking Signs to be posted on Town properties.

157 Voting Yea: Chair Senna, Vice Chair Dunsmore, K. Bosenberg, J. Nasca, C. Rosenquist

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159 G. Video Surveillance Policy - Action to Approve

160 Motion to approve the Video Surveillance policy with the addition of both interior and exterior
161 camera access for Public Works Director.

162 Motion made by C. Rosenquist, Seconded by K. Bosenberg

163 Voting Yea: Chair Senna, Vice Chair Dunsmore, K. Bosenberg, J. Nasca, C. Rosenquist

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165 H. Repeal Sidewalk Ordinance - Action to Approve

- 166 • From the Town Attorney: The procedure for repealing an ordinance is the exact same as
167 it is for adoption of the ordinance. The procedure is set out in 24 V.S.A. § 1972, and 24
168 V.S.A. § 1976 directs that amendments and repeals to ordinances are to follow the same
169 procedure as for adoption. For policies, those are approved or amended/repealed by
170 majority vote of the Selectboard.

171 Motion to repeal the Sidewalk Ordinance.

172 Motion made by C. Rosenquist, Seconded by J. Nasca.

173 Voting Yea: Chair Senna, Vice Chair Dunsmore, K. Bosenberg, J. Nasca, C. Rosenquist

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175 I. Repeal Stump Dump Ordinance - Action to Approve

176 Motion to repeal the Stump Dump Ordinance.

177 Motion made by C. Rosenquist, Seconded by J. Nasca

178 Voting Yea: Chair Senna, Vice Chair Dunsmore, K. Bosenberg, J. Nasca, C. Rosenquist

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180 J. Repeal Policy for Replacing Mailboxes in the Towns Right of Way - Action to Approve

181 Motion to repeal the Replacing Mailboxes in the Towns Right of Way Policy.

182 Motion made by K. Bosenberg, Seconded by J. Nasca
183 • S. Katon explained the language in the policy is included verbatim in the Highway
184 Department Winter Road Maintenance Plan Policy and no longer is needed as a stand-
185 alone policy.

186 Voting Yea: Chair Senna, Vice Chair Dunsmore, K. Bosenberg, J. Nasca, C. Rosenquist
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188 K. Fire Department New Hire - Action to Approve

189 Motion to approve the Fire Department new volunteer hires Eva Grace Samson and Kevin
190 Clark.

191 Motion made by C. Rosenquist, Seconded by K. Bosenberg

192 Voting Yea: Chair Senna, Vice Chair Dunsmore, K. Bosenberg, J. Nasca, C. Rosenquist
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194 8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

195 A. Policy Review

196 i. Procurement Policy

- 197 • Selectboard members reviewed the latest edits to the draft Procurement Policy.
- 198 • S. Katon answered questions on the policy and presented suggested additions to include
199 information that was addressed in the Town's Purchasing Policy.
- 200 • The Selectboard approved the additions to the Draft Procurement Policy, which will be
201 updated and presented at the next regular meeting.

202 ii. Highway Department Winter Road Maintenance Plan & Policy, with changes as
203 recommended by Road Foreman Todd Cadieux

- 204 • T. Cadieux was present to ask questions for clarification on the policy.
- 205 • Mailboxes do not need a permit to be in the right-of-way.
- 206 • The Selectboard approved the edits and change in language to mailboxes not needing a
207 permit. This policy will be updated and presented at the next regular meeting.

208 B. Library MOU - Under review with the Town Attorney.

- 209 • T. Cadieux asked clarifying questions about the duties of the Public Works Department
210 for the library.

211 C. GPL Building Revitalization Committee Update

- 212 • HVAC professionals visited the library for inspection and advice for ADA compliance.
- 213 • C. Rosenquist asked about the possibility of combining the Town and school libraries.
214 Given the updates necessary, as well as a potential new well and other
215 recommendations that are being addressed through the feasibility study, should the
216 Town be considering other options.
- 217 • C. Rosenquist requested this topic be added to discussion for new Selectboard members
218 after Ton Meeting Day.

219 D. Bridge #28 (Mill River Bridge) – No updates.

220 E. Bridge #8 (Georgia Shore at Mill River Road) – The Road Crew continues to repair potholes as
221 needed.
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223 9. TOWN ADMINISTRATOR, TREASURER AND SELECTBOARD SUB COMMITTEES 224 REPORTS

225 A. Public Works Director/Roads

- 226 • The roof at the new Town garage is leaking into the Public Works Director's office. He
227 is looking into options for repair, and in the meantime has patched it up temporarily.
228 They will continue to shovel the roof after heavy snowfall.

- 229 • The Road Crew have been identifying and warning frost heaves on Town roads.
230 • The library had asked for a lock to be placed on the door between the food shelf and the
231 library.
232 • T. Cadieux visited the library with the State Fire Marshall and Rob Mullin from the
233 Georgia Fire Department. The locks requested were not recommended as the space
234 serves as an emergency exit. The hallway was asked to be cleared for fire safety, it
235 currently holds magazine racks and filing cabinets.
236 • There was discussion on the role of the Road Crew assisting other town departments
237 with assistance beyond their usual jobs of maintenance, plowing and roadwork.
238 B. Town Administrator
239 • S. Katon was present to answer questions on her TA Report.
240 C. Treasurer
241 • L. Hobart did not have any updates, will be available at both the Town Informational
242 Session and Town Meeting Day.
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244 **10. OTHER**

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246 **11. PLAN NEXT MEETING AGENDA**

- 247 A. Town Informational Meeting, March 2, 2026
248 B. Town Meeting Day: March 3, 2026
249 C. Selectboard Regular Meeting: March 9, 2026
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251 **12. PROPOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION (pursuant to 1 V.S.A sec 313 - requires two-thirds vote)**

252 Chair Senna would entertain a motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss Personnel which
253 premature disclosure or discussion may be detrimental to the board in itself and/or individuals
254 involved.
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256 Motion to enter into Executive Session at 7:30pm

257 Motion made by C. Rosenquist, Seconded by J. Nasca

258 Voting Yea: Chair Senna, Vice Chair Dunsmore, K. Bosenberg, J. Nasca, C. Rosenquist
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260 Vice Chair Dunsmore left the meeting at 7:30pm
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262 Motion to exit from Executive Session at 8:28pm

263 Motion made by C. Rosenquist, Seconded by J. Nasca

264 Voting Yea: Chair Senna, K. Bosenberg, J. Nasca, C. Rosenquist
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266 No action taken out of Executive Session.
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268 **13. ADJOURN**

269 Motion to adjourn at 8:28pm

270 Motion made by C. Rosenquist, Seconded by J. Nasca

271 Voting Yea: Chair Senna, K. Bosenberg, J. Nasca, C. Rosenquist
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273 **TABLED ITEMS:**
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275 **Agendas are posted to the Town website, four designated places within the Town of Georgia**
276 **(Town Clerk’s Office, Georgia Public Library, Maplefields & Georgia Market), and e-mailed to**
277 **the local media.**

278 **Minutes and meeting videos are posted on the Town of Georgia website.**

279 **Signed: Stacy Katon, Town Administrator**

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