

Town of Nahant – Meeting Minutes
Board of Selectmen
Wednesday January 21, 2026 via ZOOM
Robert Tibbo, Chairman, Gene Canty, Vice Chairman
Patrick O’Reilly, Recording Secretary, Alison Nieto, Town Administrator

Attendance: Gene Canty (GC) Robert Tibbo (RT), Patrick O’Reilly (PO), Alison Nieto (AN)

1. Meeting Opening

RT: opened the meeting at 6:30pm

2. Opening Comments

RT: Took meeting out of order to recognize Veterans Service Agent, Jon Lazar and his recent retirement notice.

AN: Recognized Jon’s 11 year status with the Town of Nahant and his work with the Town’s Veterans and the Purple Heart designations.

- a. Winter Parking Ban** – in effect until March 20, 2026 from 12AM-6AM.
- b. Final versions of Community Preservation Committee Grant Applications:** due by January 30, 2026.
- c. Citizens Petition for Town Meeting:** The deadline to add a Citizen Petition article to the Town Meeting Warrant is January 31, 2026.
- d. Town Election Nomination Papers:** Nomination papers will be available Thursday January 22, 2026 in the Clerk’s Office. Last day to obtain papers is March 4, 2026.
- e. Annual Town Census:** The 2026 Annual Town Census will be mailed to residents next week. Resident Parking stickers will not be approved without a completed census.
- f. Annual Dog Licenses:** Dog Licenses are due back to the Town Clerk by April 1,
- g. Charles Kelley Scholarship:** Scholarship application due by April 10, 2026.
- h. Town Election:** Saturday April 25, 2026. Election polling hours will be from 7:00am to 7:00pm at the Nahant Town Hall.
- i. Recognition:** Veterans Service Agent – Jon Lazar – Retirement

3. New Business

- a. Approve Board of Selectmen meeting minutes**

MOTION: “I move the Board of Selectmen vote to approve the Board of Selectmen meeting minutes from December 17, 2025 and January 7, 2026.”

PO: seconded the motion

Roll call vote: PO: yes **RT:** yes

b. Discussion – Tall Ships Event – July 2026

AN: I have invited Eric Kirton, member of the Dory Club to speak about the event

Eric Kirton: The Sale 250 event is happening in Boston July 11th and the festivities go through that week. We see an opportunity to have an event in town on July 10th and we are beginning the discussion for the plans. The Nahant Sailing program is also interested in participating.

Julie Tarmy: We are interested in having a Town wide celebration and the Nahant Historical Society has been doing some research.

More information to come as we get closer to the event.

4. Ongoing Business

5. Town Administrators Report

AN: I asked Department heads to submit FY27 budget requests by yesterday. I set up sit down meetings to go over those requests and I will continue to brief the board about their needs. We posted the Finance Director position and I interviewed 4 candidates. I will likely be recommending one of those candidates and I will be bringing that in front of the board soon. We had mentioned at our last meeting, what the thoughts were of possibly regionalizing the Veterans Service Officer position with Lynn and Swampscott who are currently regionalized or filling the position as is. The Board asked me to survey veterans in Town. I reached out to the American Legion who did that for me. A majority of them said they would like someone here locally to serve as the Veterans Service Officer. The City of Lynn also said that regionalizing could be a possibility but would not happen any time soon. So I think we are going to post the position and think about regionalizing in the future.

6. Citizens Comment

- No Citizens commented

7. Adjourn

RT: asked for a motion to adjourn

PO: so moved

GC: seconded the motion

Roll call vote: all in favor

Meeting adjourned at 7:09pm on Wednesday January 21, 2026

Meeting Minutes prepared by Administrative Assistant, Kristin Taylor on February 20, 2026.

Meeting Minutes approved by the Board of Selectmen on the 1st day of April 2026