

UNAPPROVED  
**Candia's Virtual Selectmen's Public Session Minutes**  
**March 9, 2026, 6:30 pm**

Note: Individual roll call has been taken after each motion.

**6:30 pm** Chair Brien Brock opened the Public Session Meeting followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Attendance:** Chair Brien Brock, Selectman Patrick Moran, Selectman Boyd Chivers, Selectman Susan Young and Town Administrator Amy Spencer. **Absent:** Selectman Stephanie Helmig.

**Approval of Minutes:** Public session minutes of February 9, 2026. None noted.

**Motion: Selectman Chivers made a motion to approve the February 9, 2026, Public Session Minutes as presented. Selectman Moran seconded. Motion carried by a vote of (4-0-0).**

### **DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

**Highway:** Road Agent Wuebbolt read the report and gave updates. He has been talking to Selectman Chivers about having a Plowing Ordinance put into place as Candia currently does not have anything in the regulations. They have decided to create an ordinance quite similar to what the Town of Deerfield currently has in place, and at some point he will bring it in for the Selectmen to approve and sign. Selectman Chivers mentioned he received information from NHMA to use as a model ordinance and he will forward it to him so they can work on it.

Selectman Chivers said Patten Hill Road is looking very rough. The Road Agent said he is hoping to do a cut & patch on the road in the spring.

**Police:** Chief Shevlin read the report and gave updates. Candia's Police Department has partnered with signing an MOU (Memorandum of Understanding) with the Candia's School District regarding the placement of an SRO (School Replacement Officer) at Candia's Moore School for 5 days a week. An SRO provides far more than a security presence; this position builds relationships with students and staff, supports early intervention when issues arise, and improves coordination between the school and law enforcement during emergencies.

Lt. Ryan Stanton has applied for a Highway Safety Grant for 2 new Radar Units for their cruisers. In mid-February he received an email from the State of NH Department of Safety in stating they had money left over for equipment and this is an amendment for \$9,172.50 for 2 new in-car radars for their cruisers. They currently have 2 radars, one was purchased in 2007 and the other one in 2010. He indicated they should be replaced every 10 years. This Grant covers 75% of the cost of the Radars, the Grant would cover \$4,372.50 and we are required to match \$1,457.50. Chief Shevlin is looking for the Board to accept the additional \$4,372.50 in Highway Safety Grants and indicated that the \$1,457.50 we currently have in our budgets to match. Selectman Young thanked them for doing a great job.

**Motion: Selectman Moran made a motion to accept the Highway Safety Grant in the amount of \$4,372. Selectman Young Seconded. All in favor. Motion carried by a vote of (4-0-0).**

Chair Brock asked Chief Shevlin if the Police had heard anything about shots being fired early in the morning in his neighborhood, as they were awakened by the loud noise. Chief Shevlin said he has not hear of anything but will look into it.

**Fire Department:** Fire Chief Kelley read the report and gave updates. He reminded the public to always be aware of any gas smell in their building or residence and to evacuate immediately and then call 911.

**Building Department:** Building Inspector Lavoie read the report and gave updates.

**Solid Waste:** No reports available.

**Budget Committee:** Selectman Young said their next meeting will be after Town Voting.

**Planning Board:** Chair Brock said the Planning Board had a meeting with a new company discussing a GIS (Geographic Information Systems) and their presentation was very impressive.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Agriculture Commission - Appointments:** The Board received a letter from Matt Cobb of the Agriculture Commission asking them to renew Darrel Nafranwicz's term as a voting member and Ken Madden as an alternate member to be reappointed for another 3 year term.

**Motion: Selectman Young made a motion to accept Darryl Nafranwicz's term as a voting member and Ken Madden as an alternate member to be reappointed for another 3 year term. Selectman Chivers Seconded. All in favor. Motion carried by a vote of (4-0-0).**

**Donations:** Chair Brock said the Board will need to accept the donation of \$13,000 from the Cogswell Benevolent Trust and to be added to the Mary Stimans Fund.

**Motion: Selectman Chivers said I move that the Town of Candia's Selectman accept the donation of \$13,000 from the Cogswell Benevolent Trust to be added to the Mary Stimans Fund. He thanked them for their contribution. Selectman Young Seconded. All in favor. Motion carried by a vote of (4-0-0).**

**NH Tax Deed & Property Auctions:** Selectman Chivers said this follows with the land auction that occurred in the fall of 2025 for the properties that were tax deeded to the Town of Candia. When the NH Tax Deed & Property Auctions was doing their research on the properties they discovered about 15 additional properties that the ownerships are unknown. They are proposing to do the research and determine if the Town can sell these properties at public auction and turn the funds over to the Town of Candia. The auction company agrees to do the work with no legal expense to the Town. They are asking for our support and agreement to do the research and then schedule the sale of properties in the summer of 2026.

Selectman Young questioned if there is a large piece of property that has an unidentified owner, the Town may want to keep it for future use and not sell it. Chair Brock said the Town will not be committed until the auction company identifies and clarifies all of the parcels. Selectman Chivers asked the Board if they could respond back to the auctioneers, and that the Town is interested provided they can determine that Candia has established an interest in any of these properties. Chair Brock said yes. Selectman Chivers said and these properties that we do not established an interest they would like to schedule for sale. Chair Brock said yes, and asked if this will allow them to continue or does it permit them to sell the parcels right now? Selectman Young agreed and said that is what she is wondering about. Selectman Brock said if Selectman Chivers could clarify it with the auction company because

they do not want to commit to selling the properties as they want to have more information first. Selectman Chivers said they will want to be sure that none of the 17 parcels that have been identified that the town has already established a conservation easement on it. He will have a conversation with them and find out what their intentions are first and will report back to the Selectmen in their next meeting.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**250<sup>th</sup> Celebration Update:** Administrative Assistant Chandonnet gave updates. All of Candia's Farmers Market vendors will be invited, and we will be reaching out to them. The agenda and time frames for the events are in place. Moore School asked to join our meetings so they can be involved. Selectman Moran asked if we could invite JRHS (Jesse Remington High School) to participate if they choose to. The Committee is actively looking for sponsors to help with the cost of the fireworks.

**Public Input:** None noted.

**Calendar:**

- Town Elections held on March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2026, at the CYAA, 27 Raymond Road, Candia N.H. from 6:00am-7:00pm.
- The next Board of Selectmen's Meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 23rd, 2026 @ 6:30pm.

**7:13 pm – Selectman Chivers made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Selectman Moran. All in favor. Motion carried by a vote of (4-0-0).**

Linda Chandonnet  
Recording Secretary