Penacook Boscawen Water Precinct

Minutes

Special Meeting

Location of Meeting:	Penacook Boscawen Water Precinct 9 Woodbury Lane Boscawen, N.H. 03303
Present:	Charles Niebling, Moderator Bill Murphy, Commissioner Chair Frank Dineen, Commissioner Ted Merrow, Commissioner Lauren Hargrave, Clerk Loren Martiin, Supervisor of the Checklist Nathan Young, Water Advisor

The Special Meeting of the Penacook/Boscawen Water Precinct was called to order at 9 Woodbury Lane, Boscawen, N.H. on November 2, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. by Moderator Charles Niebling.

Moderator Charles Niebling requested Commissioner Bill Murphy to lead the attendees in the pledge of allegiance.

Moderator Charles Niebling recognized those at the head table to introduce themselves: Left to Right, Commissioner Bill Muprhy Chair, Commissioner Frank Dineen, Nathan Young Water Advisor, Commissioner Ted Merrow, Clerk Lauren Hargrave.

Moderator Charles Niebling recognized Lorin Martin as Supervisor of the Checklist.

Open for Action on the Warrant:

Nathan young explained at the annual meeting there was the vote for the pipe replacement project with USDA funding and a temporary construction loan through Franklin Savings Bank. The closing agent for the construction loan at Franklin Savings Bank was reviewing all the Precinct Documents and Timeframes and noticed that the newspaper posting was not seven (7) days out. It was noted that you can either count the day of the posting or the day of the meeting and you are not allowed to count both days. This brought the posting from seven (7) days to six (6) days, which means the 7-day public notice requirement was not for filled. Therefore, tonight's special meeting for Warrant Article 1 is being held. Tonight's special meeting will not change the outcome of the annual meeting in any way it is for a correction in procedures.

Moderator Charles Niebling noted that Three-fifths (3/5) ballot vote is required, and consistent with State Law in relation to any bond issue of $100,000 or over it also requires that voting be open for 1 hour from the moment deliberation is moved, seconded, and closed on the Article.

Article 1. To see if the Penacook-Boscawen Water Precinct will vote, pursuant to RSA 31:5-b, to legalize and ratify the action taken by the Precinct at its annual meeting of April 18, 2026 where the Precinct passed Article 3 of the warrant and appropriated the sum of $4,000,000 for the purpose of financing the replacement of 1.1 miles of distribution piping, Lincoln, Park, Oak, Prospect and Johnson St. (full length replacement), Chandler and Sweatt St. (partial length replacement) with $4,000,000 of such sum to come from the issuance of bonds and notes pursuant to the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act, RSA 33, as amended (the "Bond Issue"), the vote on the Bond Issue being procedurally defective due to the fact that the Precinct did not publish its notice of the public hearing on the Bond Issue at least seven (7) days in advance which was in violation of the provisions of RSA 33:8-a(I); provided, however, that should this article not pass, such vote will not rescind the original bond authorization.

Recommended by the Board of Commissioners

Commissioner Ted Merrow made a motion to vote on Article #1. Seconded by Commissioner Bill Murphy, Chair.

Lorrie Carey requested a review be given regarding what a “yes” vote and what a “no” vote means. Nathan Young reported that a “yes” vote means that the Precinct did hit all the correct time lines and completed the correct procedures for public notification. A “no” vote would mean the voter disagrees and believes the Precinct has failed to follow proper procedures for public notification again. Commissioner Bill Murphy noted the wording used in the Warrant is “ to legalize and ratify the action.”

Charles Niebling, Moderator declared the ballot box open for voting on Article #1 via paper ballot at 6:04 p.m.

Article #1 Ballots Counted starting at 7:10 by Moderator Charles Niebling and Commissioner Chair Bill Murphy.

Article #1 11 Yes Votes, 0 No Votes, 11 total ballots cast. Article #1 Adopted by a vote of 11-0.

Meeting Closed:

Motion to Close the Meeting by Charles Niebling. Seconded by Ted Merrow. Passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:12 p.m. by Moderator Charles Niebling.

Next Meeting:

The Next Regular Meeting Penacook/Boscawen Water Precinct, 9 Woodbury Lane, Boscawen, NH. on Wednesday, November 11, 2026, at 5:30 p.m.

Minutes submitted by: Lauren Hargrave, Recording Clerk on November 2, 2026

Minutes approved by: _____ on November 3, 2026

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I certify that this is a true copy of the document produced by me on November 2, 2026 _____ on November 3, 2026, Clerk of Penacook Boscawen Water Precinct.