

TOWN OF CORNWALL
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
Board of Selectmen
Minutes for meeting held on:
Tuesday, May 6th, 2025
Hybrid – In Person at Cornwall Library
& Remotely Via Zoom

Present

<u>Selectmen</u>	<u>Others</u>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gordon Ridgway, First Selectman	Jane Hall, Administrative Assistant
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rocco Botto	Jean Boutillier, Tax Collector
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jennifer Markow	Press
	Citizens

Call to Order	7:30 pm
Approval of Minutes	<p><u>Motion:</u> Rocco Botto – Made motion to approve the minutes from 4/15/2025 and 4/28/2025 Jennifer Markow – Seconded the motion Discussion – none Motion passed unanimously</p>
Communications / Announcements	<p>Jennifer Markow shared the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vaccine clinic at Parish House May 14 11-5 <p>Rocco Botto shared the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attended meeting with NHCOC for the Mainstreet program, will be sharing at next EDC meeting
Additions to the Agenda	<p><u>Motion:</u> Gordon Ridgway – Made motion to add Appointment of Ian Tyson to Wastewater Committee and 250 Committee to the agenda Rocco Botto – Seconded the motion Discussion – none Motion passed unanimously</p>
1.	<p><u>Town Meeting 5/16/2025</u> First Selectman Gordon Ridgway shared the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Town meeting is scheduled for next Friday, May 16th at 7:30pm at Cornwall Consolidated School
2.	<p><u>Tax Collector Advertisement</u> First Selectman Gordon Ridgway shared the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will start to advertise for the tax collector position, Jean Boutillier will be retiring after 17 years as Cornwall’s tax collector. Jean will help with the interviews and posting the job on the tax collectors state website <p>Discussion ensued on the process of becoming a tax collector</p>
3.	<p><u>Town Hall Roof</u> First Selectman Gordon Ridgway shared the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will discuss with Building inspector to get Bid specs to go out to bid for this project again <p><u>Motion:</u> Rocco Botto – Made motion to go out to bid for the Town Hall roof Jennifer Markow – Seconded the motion Discussion – none Motion passed unanimously</p>
4.	<p><u>Hammond Beach Job Openings</u> First Selectman Gordon Ridgway shared the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Openings for Beach Director, WSI, and lifeguards

5.	<p><u>West Cornwall Wastewater Project</u> First Selectman Gordon Ridgway shared the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Received a lot of interest with the RFQ – due Wednesday 5/14 at 2:00pm – will postpone Wastewater Committee meeting until we get back the RFQs
Addition #1	<p><u>Appointment of Ian Tyson to Wastewater Committee</u></p> <p><u>Motion:</u> Gordon Ridgway – Made motion to appoint Ian Tyson to the Wastewater Committee Rocco Botto – Seconded the motion Discussion – none Motion passed unanimously</p>
6.	<p><u>Memorial Day</u> First Selectman Gordon Ridgway shared the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recap of Memorial Day celebrations including an addition of a Rededication to Revolutionary War veterans’ gravestones on Sunday prior to Memorial Day by Bill Dinneen and Warren Stevens Bill Dinneen will be doing Wreaths Across America 12/21/2025 at noon – volunteers will be needed – we will be sharing information on this program (attached)
Addition #2	<p><u>250th Committee</u></p> <p><u>Motion:</u> Gordon Ridgway – Made motion to appoint Chet Krayewski, Richard Schlesinger, and Dotty Clark-Wolfe to the America 250 Committee Jennifer Markow – Seconded the motion Discussion – none Motion passed unanimously</p>
7.	<p><u>Public Comment</u> 0 public comments received</p>
13.	<p><u>Executive Session: Personnel – Highway Maintainer</u></p> <p><u>Motion:</u> Gordon Ridgway – Made motion to go into executive session at 7:52pm Rocco Botto – Seconded the motion Discussion – none Motion passed unanimously</p> <p>Into executive session: 7:52pm Out of executive session: 8:03pm</p> <p><u>Motion:</u> Gordon Ridgway – Made motion to not fill the highway maintainer position at this time Jennifer Markow – Seconded the motion Discussion – none Motion passed unanimously</p>
	<p><u>Adjournment:</u> 8:03pm</p> <p>Respectfully Submitted: Jane Hall, Administrative Assistant</p>

Wreaths Across America

Cornwall Cemetery 2025

Dear Friends,

My name is Bill Dinneen and I have had the privilege of being a volunteer for Wreaths Across America in the wreath laying ceremony at Center Cemetery in New Milford, CT., where over 800 wreaths were placed to honor our veterans. This has been a very moving experience that has given me a very true understanding of the number of veterans that have sacrificed and given of their lives so we can enjoy everyday freedoms.

That being said, I have registered the Cornwall Cemetery as a designated cemetery with Wreaths Across America.

Wreaths Across America has a long history of placing wreaths on the headstones of our nations fallen heroes at Arlington National Cemetery and thousands of cemeteries across the country.

Wreaths cost 17.00 dollars each and my goal is to raise enough money to purchase 165 wreaths.

A wreath donation can be sent to:

Bill Dinneen, 102 Popple Swamp Rd., Cornwall Bridge, CT 06754

Please make your check out to: Wreaths Across America.

I can be reached at billdinneen@yahoo.com or by calling or text 860-248-1543.

I thank you in advance for your donation and would be grateful for volunteers to participate in the ceremony at Cornwall Cemetery, on December 13, 2025 at 12 noon.
24 Cemetery Hill Road, Cornwall, CT

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