

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN
REGULAR MEETING
Chaplin, Connecticut
TUESDAY, JULY 1, 2025**

Members Present: Juan Roman, First Selectman; James Harrington, Selectman; Joe Pinto, Selectman

Members Absent:

Others Present: Dick Weingart, Chair of BOF; Jordan Lumpkins, Shared Town Administrator; Mary Calorio, Shared Town Administrator.

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm.

- 1. First Audience of Citizens:** None
- 2. Additions to the Agenda:** None
- 3. Approval of Minutes:** Tabled until next month's meeting.
- 4. Communications and Reports**

A. Board Members Reports: None

B. Board of Finance Discussion: Board of Finance Chair D. Weingart reported that the 2nd Referendum for the Revised Town Budget was currently taking place. If the Revised FY 2025-26 Budget passes at referendum, the BOF will meet on Monday, July 7, 2025 to set a mill rate. After the mill rate is set, the Tax Collector will begin sending out tax bills with a due date of August 1, 2025, payable by September 1, 2025. He also reported working with the auditors on receiving a letter of agreement as well as addressing issues regarding closing entries which were flagged last year. Audit work is expected to begin in September.

C. Shared Town Administrator Report: Shared Town Administrator Jordan Lumpkins reported that the final plans for the Chaplin Connectivity and Accessibility Grant are close to being ready for the July 16, 2025 deadline submission. Phase II application can then be submitted. He also reported working with Administrative Assistant S Welshman on setting up a CT Source/Department of Administrative Services portal for the Town to use in advertising for bids as well as for researching vendors. Work pertaining to grants related to street paving will begin to ramp up soon and plans are being put into place to work on the Town budget process and to review HR policies and procedures.

D. Correspondence: J Roman read out the recently received CT State Trooper Reports for the Town of Chaplin, January 2025 through May 2025. Please see attached.

E. Building/Infrastructure: None

F. Treasurer Report: None

G. Department of Public Works Report: None

H. Chaplin Volunteer Fire Department Report: J Roman reported that an Invitation to Bid on upfitting a CVFD Forestry Truck has been published with bids due on July 15, 2025.

- I. Senior Center Report: None.
- J. Public Library Report: Please see attached.

New Business

- A. Tax Collector Refunds: None
- B. All Pending and New FOI requests: None
- C. Appointments and Resignations: None.
- D. Discussion and possible action on the adoption of a Resolution of Support for the Central Corridor Passenger Rail Service: J Roman explained that the Central Corridor Passenger Rail Coalition, Inc. had reached out to the Board of Selectmen in April requesting an update to a Resolution of Support issued by the Town in 2012. The updated and Town Attorney approved Resolution of Support was read out by J Roman (please see attached). ***J Roman made a MOTION to adopt the Central Corridor Passenger Rail Resolution of Support as read. J Harrington seconded the MOTION. All in favor, MOTION carried.***

5. Old Business

- A. American Rescue Plan Funds: No news to report.
- B. Update for the construction of fire pond and dry hydrant: A leak at the fire pond is currently being addressed by the contractor and the First Selectman. Another couple of inches of asphalt needs to be laid and the gate needs to be installed.
- C. Discuss/updates on Bedlam and England Road Bridges: With the State's agreement and approval, J Roman requested that New England Roads, Inc. (the bridge contractor) rip out and repair faulty paving. The asphalt will be milled and repaved next week with a tentative opening date to be set for the week of 7/14/2025.
- D. Budget Discussion: reported that the Board of Selectmen held a Special Meeting on 7/1/2025 at 9 AM to approve explanatory text for Referendum Question # 2 to be posted at the polling site during the 7/1/2025 referendum.

- 6. **Second Audience of Citizens - Note: Comments are limited to agenda items and subject to Chair discretion**: J Roman took this opportunity to thank Board of Finance Chair Dick Weingart and Town Clerk Shari Smith for their efforts in developing the language for the approved explanatory text that is posted at the 7/1/2025 Referendum. Jordan Lumpkins added that the Historic District Commission unanimously approved a Certificate of Appropriateness for the Chaplin Connectivity and Accessibility Project at their Public Hearing and Special Meeting held on 6/26/2025.
- 7. **Agenda Suggestions for next meeting**: J Harrington suggested that a discussion of the future course of Parish Hill High School be added to New Business.
- 8. Date, time, and place of next meeting (August 7, 2025 at 7:00 PM, Chaplin Town Hall).

9. Adjourn: Regular Meeting adjourned at 6:39 PM.

*Respectfully Submitted by,
Susan Welshman
Administrative Assistant*



STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES AND PUBLIC PROTECTION
Troop D, Danielson

June 9, 2025

First Selectman Juan Roman III
495 Phoenixville Rd.
Chaplin, CT 06235

Dear First Selectman Roman:

This correspondence is to keep you apprised of the monthly police services occurring within the Town of Chaplin. It is my sincere hope that this report will assist you in better understanding our role in your community.

During the month of January 2025 Troop D Troopers responded to 25 Calls for Service in the Town of Chaplin. Of these Calls for Service the most notable are:

Accidents:	<u>3</u>
Investigations:	<u>1</u>
Burglaries:	<u>0</u>
Larcenies:	<u>0</u>
Non Reportable Matters:	<u>21</u>

In addition to the above investigations Troopers conducted the following motor vehicle enforcement:

DUI'S:	<u>0</u>
Traffic Citations:	<u>0</u>
Written Warnings:	<u>0</u>

Very truly yours,

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During the month of February 2025 Troop D Troopers responded to 30 Calls for Service in the Town of Chaplin. Of these Calls for Service the most notable are:

Accidents:	<u>1</u>
Investigations:	<u>5</u>
Burglaries:	<u>0</u>
Larcenies:	<u>0</u>
Non Reportable Matters:	<u>24</u>

In addition to the above investigations Troopers conducted the following motor vehicle enforcement:

DUI'S:	<u>0</u>
Traffic Citations:	<u>1</u>
Written Warnings:	<u>1</u>

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During the month of March 2025 Troop D Troopers responded to 95 Calls for Service in the Town of Chaplin. Of these Calls for Service the most notable are:

Accidents:	<u>2</u>
Investigations:	<u>6</u>
Burglaries:	<u>0</u>
Larcenies:	<u>2</u>
Non Reportable Matters:	<u>85</u>

In addition to the above investigations Troopers conducted the following motor vehicle enforcement:

DUI'S:	<u>0</u>
Traffic Citations:	<u>58</u>
Written Warnings:	<u>3</u>

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During the month of April 2025 Troop D Troopers responded to 136 Calls for Service in the Town of Chaplin. Of these Calls for Service the most notable are:

Accidents:	<u>5</u>
Investigations:	<u>7</u>
Burglaries:	<u>0</u>
Larcenies:	<u>0</u>
Non Reportable Matters:	<u>124</u>

In addition to the above investigations Troopers conducted the following motor vehicle enforcement:

DUI'S:	<u>1</u>
Traffic Citations:	<u>49</u>
Written Warnings:	<u>4</u>

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During the month of May 2025 Troop D Troopers responded to 41 Calls for Service in the Town of Chaplin. Of these Calls for Service the most notable are:

Accidents:	<u>4</u>
Investigations:	<u>3</u>
Burglaries:	<u>0</u>
Larcenies:	<u>0</u>
Non Reportable Matters:	<u>34</u>

In addition to the above investigations Troopers conducted the following motor vehicle enforcement:

DUI'S:	<u>0</u>
Traffic Citations:	<u>8</u>
Written Warnings:	<u>0</u>

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June Library Report:

May – 425 people in-person (open 17 days - average of 25 people per day).
Circulation - 527 (253 items checked out, 202 electronic checkouts). About 150 people attended in-person events.

- Next Cookbook Club is June 25th at 6:30pm with Magnolia Table recipes.
- Next Book Chat is June 27th at 3pm.
- Summer Reading started with Color Our World theme. Visited Chaplin Elementary School with Summer Reading packs that included program brochure and Reading Log.
- Bubbleology with the Science Center was under the tent on June 18th.
- Family event for Make Music Day with Seafaring Songs was Saturday, June 21, at 11am under the tent.
- Library closed June 20th for Juneteenth holiday and July 4th for State holiday.
- Circulation for Chaplin patrons: 212; non-residents: 77=289.



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**RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT
CENTRAL CORRIDOR PASSENGER RAIL SERVICE
JULY 1, 2025**

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, passenger rail service is a valuable tool that provides reliable, safe and environmentally sound transportation options for our citizens, and

WHEREAS, passenger rail service supports economic development, affordable housing construction, job creation and tax base growth, and

WHEREAS, passenger rail service connects our community, our friends and neighbors in a way that is environmentally friendly and responsive, and

NOW, THEREFORE, be it hereby resolved by the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Chaplin that:

Our community supports the effort to return passenger rail service along the rail corridor that extends from Brattleboro, Vermont to New London, Connecticut and encourages all public and private entities to include the United States Department of Transportation, Federal Railroad Administration, the Vermont Department of Transportation, the Massachusetts Department of Transportation, and the Connecticut Department of Transportation and all other governing organizations commissioned with the task of providing important transportation, environmental and economic development services to our communities to support the return of passenger rail service to our region.

Signature: _____

Juan Roman III, First Selectman
Town of Chaplin

Date: _____

7/1/25