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ROSS L. CUNNINGHAM

January 21, 2026

Kip McDaniel, Chair
Town of Bow
10 Grandview Rd
Bow NH 03304

Re: Response to Request for Quotation
Removal from Merrimack Community Power

Dear Kip McDaniel,

Thank you for your correspondence regarding Merrimack County Community Power.

Since implementation, Merrimack County has worked closely with Community Power Coalition of New Hampshire representative Andrew Hatch to address questions and ensure effective coordination of the program. In order to provide the most appropriate and accurate response to the questions presented in your letter, we have shared your letter with Mr. Hatch and requested that he be allowed to communicate directly with the Town of Bow. To provide the most informed response possible, it is suggested that an agenda item be added to any upcoming meeting of the Town Board of Selectmen.

The County values the Town of Bow as a member of the Power Council and is happy to provide any assistance necessary to help provide insight into these questions, as well as any additional questions the Town of Bow may have. We appreciate your engagement and remain committed to clear communication and collaboration on this matter.

Respectfully,

Ross L. Cunningham, County Administrator
County of Merrimack

**Board of Selectmen Meeting
Unapproved Minutes
Tuesday, January 27, 2026**

On Tuesday, January 27, 2026, at 6:00 p.m., the Board of Selectmen met in Meeting Room A, at the Bow Municipal Building, 10 Grandview Road, Bow, NH 03304. This meeting was also live streamed on YouTube <https://www.youtube.com/live/5PE5ku7seas?si=XU8VuDY2ILnXmpZN>

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair McDaniel called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Present: Chair Kip McDaniel, Vice Chair Angela Brennan, Selectman Chris Nicolopoulos, Selectwoman Eleana Colby, Selectman Ian Flanagan, Town Manager David Stack, Finance Director Cheryl Lindner, Facilities Manager Chris Andrews, Town Clerk/Tax Collector Mridula Naik, Executive Assistant Tonia Lindquist, and members of the public.

II. PUBLIC COMMENT

Comments were received from residents Mike Mayo, 106 South Bow Road, concerning public comments after each agenda item, and from Mike Wheeler, 57 Dunbarton Center Road, inquiring whether the Board has made a decision on the Bow Bog Meeting House.

III. PUBLIC HEARING

1. RSA 31:95-b Milfoil Treatment Grant

Chair McDaniel provided an overview of the hearing's purpose.

Ms. Crystall (Conservation Commission) reported that the grant is intended for the continued mitigation of invasive Milfoil at Turee Pond.

The public hearing was opened at 6:03 p.m. As there were no public comments, Chair McDaniel closed the hearing at 6:05 p.m.

A MOTION was made by Vice Chair Brennan and seconded by Selectman Nicolopoulos to accept the grant from the NH DES in the amount of \$13,175 pursuant to RSA 31:95-b, and to authorize Town Manager Stack to sign the necessary documents. MOTION PASSED 5-0.

IV. MEETINGS

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1. Community Center Discussion – Residents Colleen Hunter, Harry Judd, Glenn Dugas, and Jeff Knight

Jeff Knight (8 Peaslee Road), representing a group including residents Glenn Dugas, Colleen Hunter, and Harry Judd, requested time to address the public at the upcoming Town Meeting regarding the Community Center.

Mr. Knight noted that the group is currently exploring a scaled-down design and remains committed to finding a viable solution. He further expressed a desire to thank taxpayers for their continued support in allocating funds for the project.

Vice Chair Brennan noted for the record that this is a citizen group not a selectboard authorized committee and thanked the residents for their commitment to finding a solution for the Community Center.

The Board will allow the group to speak at Town Meeting.

2. Town Clerk / Tax collector Department Update – Town Clerk/Tax Collector Mridula Naik

Mridula Naik, Town Clerk/Tax Collector gave an update on her department activities, noting that the filing period for town elections is going on now and the last day is on January 30, 2026.

State registration fees will be increasing effective January 1, 2026, and her office has collected 98.73% of property taxes and dog registration reminders have gone out.

3. Quarterly Financial Report – Finance Director Cheryl Lindner

Finance Director Cheryl Lindner reviewed with the Board her quarterly financial report noting for the end of the second quarter of the fiscal year the town's fiscal position continues to remain strong with revenues at 62.6% of the budgeted estimates and expenditure at 44.6 %.

V. CONSENT AGENDA

- 1. Administrative Abatement – Town of Bow – Westover Lane - \$15.00**
- 2. Appointment – 300th Celebration Committee – Kendra Ricard**
- 3. Application for License – Junkyard or Automotive Recycling**
- 4. Intent to Cut – Logging Hill Road – Logging Hill Road, LLC**
- 5. Current Use – 111 Page Road – Victoria Cheney**

A MOTION was made by Selectwoman Colby and seconded by Vice Chair Brennan to approve consent agenda items No. 1-4, as presented. MOTION PASSED 5-0.

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For the record, consent agenda item No. 4 is the Colby property, and has no relation to Selectwoman Colby.

A MOTION was made by Selectman Nicolopoulos and seconded by Selectwoman Colby to approve consent agenda item No. 5. MOTION PASSED 4-0-1. Chair McDaniel abstained from voting as his property abuts this property.

VI. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

Town Manager Stack read from his Town Manager's Report dated January 27, 2026.

Selectman Nicolopoulos took a moment to commend the Department of Public Works stating they did a phenomenal job during this last snowstorm.

Follow up: Chair McDaniel would like Ms. Lindquist to post on the town's media outlets the winter parking reminder.

VII. DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEMS

1. Acceptance of January 13, 2026, Meeting Minutes

A MOTION was made by Selectman Nicolopoulos and seconded by Selectwoman Colby to approve the January 13, 2026, meeting minutes as presented. MOTION PASSED 4-0-1. Selectman Flanagan abstained from voting as he was not present for a portion of the meeting.

Chair McDaniel moved agenda item No. 3, Bow Recreation Center Follow Up Discussion to this point in the meeting so Vice Chair Brennan could speak to it before she leaves at 7:00 p.m.

Bow Recreation Addition

As a follow up from the last meeting, Vice Chair Brennan asked her fellow Board members if they would consider a warrant article authorizing Town Manager Stack to spend up to \$175,000 from the Bow Recreation Revolving Fund to come up with a creative solution to meet the storage and office space needs at Bow Recreation Center.

Comments were heard from Mike Mayo concerning an analysis he created on the future of the Revolving Fund that he offered to share with the Board.

A MOTION was made by Vice Chair Brennan and seconded by Selectwoman Colby to draft a warrant article to go before Town Meeting to authorize Town Manager Stack to expend up to \$175,000 from the Recreation Revolving Fund to address the storage and office needs of the Bow Recreation Center. MOTION PASSED 5-0.

2. After Hours Permit Process

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As a follow up to the last meeting, the Board reviewed the requested After-Hours Permit Process that would allow residents to obtain an After-Hours Permit for Alexander, Evans, and Green cemeteries for those wanting to visit the cemeteries outside of normal operating hours.

The Board approved the After-Hours Permit Process.

3. Bow Recreation Center follow up discussion.

This was addressed earlier in the meeting.

4. Veterans' Tax Credit

Town Manager Stack advised the Board that the statute has changed and because of that each town currently stacking their disabled veteran and veterans' credit will need to put in a warrant article to increase their disabled veteran's amount because as of next year they will not stack as is current process.

A MOTION was made to draft a warrant article increasing the Total Service-Connected disabled Veterans Tax Credit to \$4,750. MOTION PASSED 5-0.

Chair McDaniel moved up agenda item No. 6 to this point in the meeting.

Set date for last meeting before Town Meeting (March 3, 2026, or March 9, 2026)

The Board will meet on March 9, 2026.

5. Bow Junction Water

Town Manager Stack reviewed with the Board the fund options available to pay for the project. There is a grant in the amount of \$1.5 million dollars, NH Drinking Water State Revolving loan in the amount of \$1,805,102 and lastly a NH DWSRF Emerging Contaminant (EC) loan in the amount of \$305,101.

There was back and forth discussion on when the loan(s) could be paid back and using the funds in TIF.

A MOTION was made by Selectman Nicolopoulos and duly seconded by Selectwoman Colby for Town Manager Stack to draft an appropriate warrant understanding that no long-term bonds will be issued by the town of Bow that the Board's plan will be to use the TIF funds to pay off the \$1.8 million Drinking Water Revolving Fund Loan at completion of the project. MOTION PASSED 4-0.

6. Set date for last meeting before Town Meeting (March 3, 2026, or March 9, 2026)

This was addressed earlier in the agenda.

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7. Discretionary Preservation Easement for Historical Agricultural Structures

The Board will hold a public hearing on February 17, 2026.

8. Parking on Stack Drive

The Board will continue to reach out to the owner of 14 Stack Drive to try and come to a resolution.

VIII. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

Chair McDaniel gave an update on the Planning Board Activities and Selectman Nicolopoulos gave an update on the Budget Committee.

IX. BOTTOM LINES

Selectman Nicolopoulos: None

Selectwoman Colby: Thank you to DPW and emergency services during this last storm and thank you to Peter Imse for meeting with the school and collaborating with them on the election process at Bow Memorial School.

Selectman Flanagan: None

Vice Chair Brennan: Huge thank you to DPW in getting us through the storms.

Chair McDaniel: Thank you for keeping the meeting short on my birthday.

Vice Chair Brennan left the meeting at 7:00 p.m. and returned at 7:19 p.m.

X. NON-PUBLIC SESSION RSA 91-A:3, II

XI. ADJOURNMENT

At 7:20 p.m. A MOTION was made by Selectman Flanagan and seconded by Selectwoman Colby to adjourn the meeting.

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AUTOMOTIVE GROUP

Amanda Osmer
Chief Vision Officer

January 28, 2026

Town Manager's Office
Town of Bow
10 Grandview Road
Bow, NH 03304

Attn: Tonia Lindquist

Re: Bow Business Development Commission

Dear Tonia

Please accept this letter as my formal resignation from the Bow Business Development Commission. I've been blessed to take on the role of President and Chief Vision Officer of Grappone Automotive, and I'm finding that I need more time on site with the team as we shape our future.

Thank you for the opportunity to be part of the commission and I appreciate all the work this group does for the Town of Bow.

Sincerely,



Amanda Osmer
Chief Vision Officer
Grappone Automotive Group