Town of Alexander Selectmen's Meeting

7 May 2026

Attendance:
Beth Johnson
Skip Colson
David Davis
Carl Oakes
David Sanford

Lesliann Barnard
Joe Manza
Jane Manza
Roger Holst
Fran Holst
Foster Carlow Jr.
Larry Hill
Ted Carter

Meeting called to order at 6:00 PM.
U.S. Pledge of Allegiance recited.

Additions/Deletions to the Agenda
Roger will give a brief report of the Downeast Broadband Utility.
Ted will follow Roger.

Motion to approve the minutes of the meeting of 2 April 2026 by Carl and 2nd by Beth
Voting: Unanimous

Downeast Broadband Utility
Roger reviewed the minutes of the April 23 meeting of the DBU:
-The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.
-There was discussion and a motion regarding Indian Township leaving the DBU. The board voted not to reimburse funds to Indian Township.
-Election of officers will be next month.
-Crystal Gallina did the financial update.
-Nick Gardner did the social media update. He covered the number of hits on the website and report on that site.
-Bill Barnet did the network operators update.
The town of Alexander now has 169 fiber optic internet connections, down 2 from the last report.

Skip said that Pioneer internet was recently running cable on the Flat Road. Roger said he didn't know what that was, since Pioneer does not usually tell the DBU what they are doing.
Princeton is purchasing the fiber optic lines on West Street and they will be in the DBU.
The next DBU meeting will be May 21. It should be in Calais. After that is a June 18 meeting in Woodland.

The door was wide open on the little DBU building next to the town office. Who is in charge of closing the door?
Roger said, "You are." [You can close the door.]
Carl said that the door has been open and the heat pump has been blasting away. He noted that the handle was locked when he latched it.

Roger also said that DBU officials said that it's up to the DBU representatives to post things from the DBU to their respective towns. But the DBU bylaws say differently.
Skip suggested that they could send DBU meeting minutes to town officials simply be email.
Roger said that he would bring it up at the next DBU meeting. Minutes could be sent to the town clerk and she could send them to others.

Ted talked about his offer to donate a total of $3,000 to subsidize new fiber optic internet installations in the town [that tap into the DBU lines]. He has talked to Pioneer Broadband and there is a way to do this without the town government being involved. Pioneer will reduce the cost of installation by up to $300 dollars for installations from May 15 to October 15. Any of the $3,000 not used, will go to help pay down the town's fiber optic debt.
Ted asked the selectmen to put a sign in the town office to so inform people. Also Rhonda Oakes could put it on Facebook.
Skip asked Ted to give a rough draft of what he wanted it to say. Julie Burgess will format it. It will be posted on the front door.
Ted thanked Roger for joining the DBU board.
David D. asked if Ted might be interested in being the alternate delegate to the DBU? Ted said, "Not at this time."

Roads
Larry said that the culvert on the McArthur Road has yet to be done. There is not much going on for roads right now. No beaver have shown up yet [to block culverts].
Skip asked Larry to find out what replacing that culvert would cost.

Municipal Plowing Contract
Skip said that Maine law says that the snow plowing contract needs to be either for 1 year or 3 years; however, if it's for 3 years, it has to be voted on and approved by the townspeople (at a town meeting).

[Dale Earle had already said he would do the plowing at the same low price for 3 years, so the board wants it for 3 years].
David D. asked, "Can we have a 1 year contract and then just extend it?
Skip agreed with the idea.
Skip also said to to Lesliann the urgent need to get the plowing contract written and signed by Dale.
Skip asked if everybody was good with 1 year?
Board members said "yes" by consensus.

Clerk's Report
Lesliann talked about re-doing the floor in the clerk's office (because of the mold problem).
The floor could simply be re-tiled or the concrete underneath could be coated with epoxy or both.
Epoxy flooring was recommended by the remediation people.
Julie Burgess has gotten some quotes from contractors. However, only one outfit does epoxy flooring:
Cory Scott of Wicked Good Epoxy LLC. This includes ripping up the old floor.
Skip asked how much it will cost (from the Building Maintenance fund)? It will be $4,100 [See "A"]
Another quote came from Alan Ellsmore, but it's not epoxy.
Foster said that Cory has done other floors such as at Calvary Chapel [in Calais] and Milltown Coffee.
The plan would be to tear up the tile on one weekend and then apply the epoxy on another weekend.
One of the fire trucks can be moved out and furniture can be moved into that garage spot.
It will be tricky to run the office in the firehall.

Motion to accept the bid of Wicked Good Epoxy LLC of $4,100 to redo the town office floor by Carl and 2nd by David S.
Voting: Unanimous

Lesliann shared the written financial report.

Skip asked to schedule a workshop before the June selectmen's meeting in order to work on the warrant for the June town meeting. Skip asked that Julie send out some dates to the selectmen, and settle on a date for that work session.

New or Unfinished Business, Member Reports
[None.]

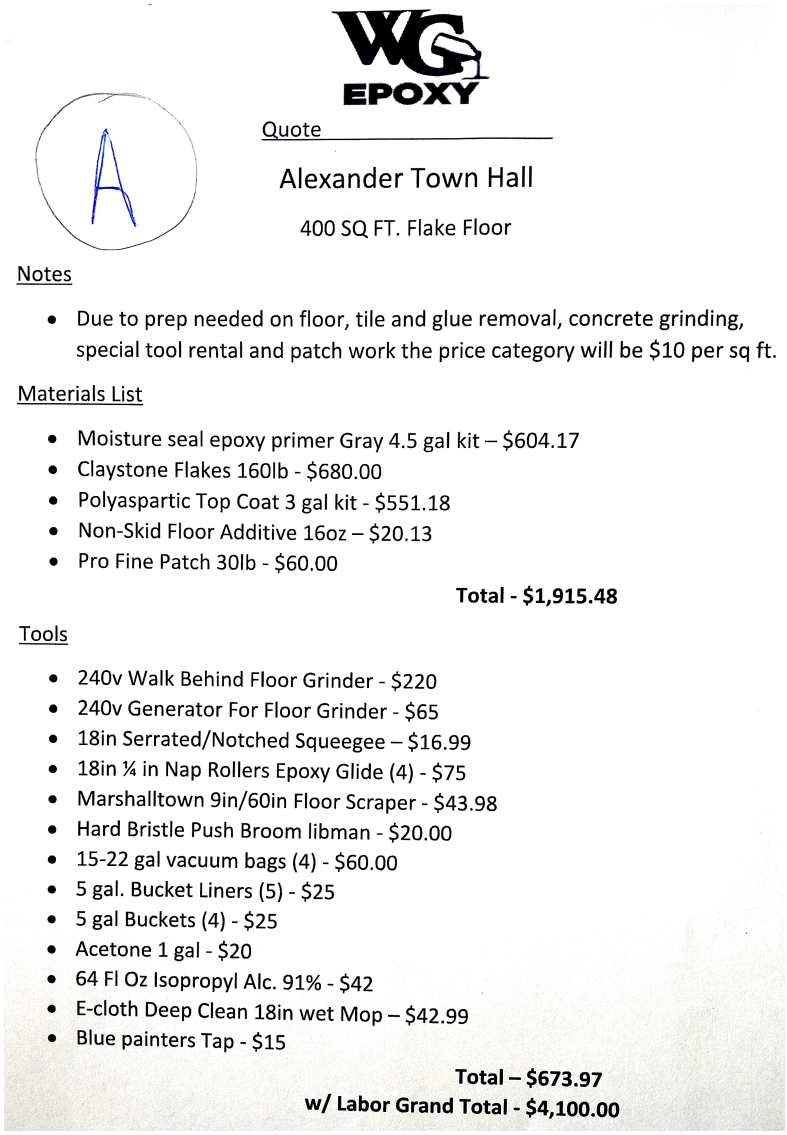
Jane said that on Saturday, people will be putting out veteran's flags at 10 o'clock at the cemetery.
She has also gotten a can of spray paint for the cemetery sign.

Concealed Weapons Permit
Motion to go into executive session to consider 1 concealed weapons permit per 1 M.R.S.A § 405(6)(F) by David D. and 2nd by Carl *after a short recess*
Voting: Unanimous

Executive session starts at 6:27 PM
Out of executive session at 6:38 PM

Motion to approve 1 concealed weapons permit by David D. and 2nd by Carl
Voting: Unanimous

Motion to adjourn by Carl and 2nd by David D. at 6:39 PM
Voting:



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Quote

Alexander Town Hall

400 SQ FT. Flake Floor

Notes

- Due to prep needed on floor, tile and glue removal, concrete grinding, special tool rental and patch work the price category will be $10 per sq ft.

Materials List

- Moisture seal epoxy primer Gray 4.5 gal kit – $604.17
- Claystone Flakes 160lb - $680.00
- Polyaspartic Top Coat 3 gal kit - $551.18
- Non-Skid Floor Additive 16oz – $20.13
- Pro Fine Patch 30lb - $60.00

Total - $1,915.48

Tools

- 240v Walk Behind Floor Grinder - $220
- 240v Generator For Floor Grinder - $65
- 18in Serrated/Notched Squeegee – $16.99
- 18in ¼ in Nap Rollers Epoxy Glide (4) - $75
- Marshalltown 9in/60in Floor Scraper - $43.98
- Hard Bristle Push Broom libman - $20.00
- 15-22 gal vacuum bags (4) - $60.00
- 5 gal. Bucket Liners (5) - $25
- 5 gal Buckets (4) - $25
- Acetone 1 gal - $20
- 64 Fl Oz Isopropyl Alc. 91% - $42
- E-cloth Deep Clean 18in wet Mop – $42.99
- Blue painters Tap - $15

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w/ Labor Grand Total - $4,100.00

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