

**Town of Orange Selectboard
Special Selectboard Meeting Minutes
May 19, 2026
6:00 PM**

Present: Steve Simpson, Carmella Tucker, Kristin Paya, Kevin Wilson, Diane Hallenbeck, Philo Raboin, and James Burt

Steve Simpson called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Agenda Correction:

Steve noted a correction to the warning, clarifying the meeting date was Tuesday, not Thursday.

Public Comment:

Discussion occurred regarding hearing accessibility at Selectboard meetings and ways to improve communication during these meetings.

Agenda Revision:

Motion by Carmella Tucker, seconded by Kristin Paya, to remove Executive Session from the agenda. Motion carried.

Review of Open Meeting Law Notice Concern:

The Selectboard reviewed a written notice from Kevin Wilson dated May 10, 2026, regarding notice requirements for special meetings. Portions of the letter were reviewed and discussed. The Board acknowledged that notice for the May 7th, 2026, Special Meeting had not been sent to a newspaper serving the area. Motion by Carmella Tucker, seconded by Steve Simpson, to acknowledge that an Open Meeting Law notice violation occurred. Motion carried. Discussion followed regarding future compliance with notice requirements for special meetings.

Motion by Steve Simpson, seconded by Kristin Paya, to request that the Town Clerk send notice of future special meetings to the Times Argus on special meeting notices. Motion carried unanimously.

The Selectboard discussed actions taken at the May 7, 2026, meeting.

Motion by Carmella Tucker, seconded by Kristin Paya, to ratify actions taken on May 7, 2026, Selectboard meeting. Motion carried.

Adjournment:

Motion by Carmella Tucker, seconded by Kristin Paya, to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:18 PM.

Next meeting: May 26th 6pm

Respectfully submitted,
Diane Hallenbeck