Hunger Mountain Co-op Annual Meeting Minutes: DRAFT
September 13, 2025
5:30–7:30 pm

Carl Etnier, Council President, welcomed the group, thanks contributors, introduced our current Co-op Council, and reviewed the evening's agenda.

Rowan Sherwood, Community Relations Manager, introduced the vote for the approval of the 2024 Annual Meeting Minutes. She established a quorum before voting to approve the minutes.

Jeff Roberts moved to approve the minutes, and Paul Ohlson seconded the motion. A show of YES cards approved the motion.

Carl introduced council elections; there are four candidates (Greg Gerdel, Catherine Lowther, Jeff Roberts, Mark Seltzer) for four positions. Candidates were given the opportunity to speak and voting procedures were explained.

Carl thanked the outgoing council members (Lauren Antler and Nona Estrin), and then introduced Employee Recognition.

Mary Mullally, General Manager, acknowledged staff in general and six employees with milestone anniversaries (10, 15, or 20 years of service). She also announced that Jamie Montague had received the Employee Service Award.

Matt Levin, Chair of the Hunger Mountain Cooperative Community Fund (HMCCF) Committee, presented the
grant recipients: Central Vermont Council on Aging, Downstreet Housing & Community Development, FEAST/Meals on Wheels, Morrisville Food Co-op, Cooperation Vermont, Salvation Farms, Just Basics Vermont, Tilia Tea Company, Plainfield Community Meal, Twin Valley Senior Center, and Montpelier Community Table.

Carl introduced the Hunger Mountain Cooperative Community Award winner, Alan LePage. Alan spoke about the importance of food, agriculture, and organic farming.

Carl and Mary presented council and manager reports. Carl announced the launch of our visioning process and the purchase of the 707 Stone Cutters Way property. Mary announced data on local, sustainability, donations and sponsorships, staff, and the FY25 financial report. She announced that the end-of-year financial review is still being completed, so the data is subject to change. Carl identified and suggested future priorities for the council: revisiting Ends policies, vision renewal, and housekeeping bylaw revisions. Mary presented the acquisition of the 707 Stone Cutters Way property with short-term priorities, opportunities, and requested member input.

Carl and Mary then answered members' questions and offered to stick around after the meeting to answer any other questions.

Carl reminded people to fill out exit surveys on their way out. Tom Molteni moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Eva Schectman, and the meeting adjourned by consensus.

[Minutes end when the meeting ends.]