

SEPT 2025 DTC MINUTES

1. Call to Order by Bill Shemeth, Chair. Members present: Bill Shemeth, Linette Powell, Ralph Hicks, Deb McNamara, Alice Davis, guest speaker, Elizabeth Zito, the Chair of the Leicester Democratic Town Committee.
2. Welcome and introductions, special welcome to Elizabeth Zito, Leicester DTC Chair.
3. Approve minutes prior meeting of August 14, 2025. Motion by Deb McNamara, 2nd Bill Shemeth, all in favor.
4. Announcements and general discussion:
 5. a. Spencer Hazard Mitigation Plan Public input opportunities.
 6. b. David Prouty town open house to see renovations, Sept. 23, 2025, 5-7 PM
 7. c. Vacancy on Bay Path Regional School Committee, if anyone would like to apply.
8. Presentation by Elizabeth Zito, re: upcoming Town Hall with Steve Kerrigan, our Democratic State Chair, discussion on co-sponsoring between Spencer and Leicester DTC's. Scheduled for Tuesday, October 21, 2025, at Leicester Senior Center from 6 to 730 PM. Motion made by Ralph Hicks to accept invitation to co-sponsor, seconded by Linette Powell, all in favor. Also brief discussion on ideas for fund-raising events to work on together with other local DTC's, and ideas on how to get younger people involved in our efforts.
9. Group Updates: Reminders: BFF Standout, Saturday, October 04, 12 to 2 Pm, West Brookfield Town common, No Kings, October 18, 12 to 2 PM same location, and Leicester DTC Protest No kings Day, Leicester from 12 to 2 PM. and reminders to join meetings, if possible, for the DTC Collaborative meetings.
10. Discussion on signature collecting for Ballot Question for Same Day Voter Registration
11. General discussion on nationwide Ballot questions and important elections, i.e. California Redistricting and PA State Supreme Court Justice seats, and Virginia Governor Democratic candidate, Abigail Spanberger.
12. Action Steps: Join local protests, write letters to editor, postcard campaigns, recruitment of additional DTC members
13. Old Business: tabled until next meeting
14. Convention recap by State delegates, Bill Shemeth, Ralph Hicks, general discussion.
15. Brief general updates on status of local candidates for election, re; Jeanne Costello for 6th Worc. District Rep., David Leboeuf, and Jon Zlotnick.

16. New Business: Next meeting scheduled Thursday, October 09, 2025, Spencer McDonalds, 7 PM.

17. Call to adjourn: 8:30 PM, by Deb McNamara, second by Ralph Hicks, all in favor.

Submitted, October 09, 2025

Linette Powell, Secretary, Spencer DTC