

**Board of Selectmen
Regular Meeting
Tuesday June, 7 2016
Minutes**

The Board of Selectmen held its regular meeting on June 7, 2016 at the Bolton Town Hall with First Selectmen Robert Morra presiding. Also in attendance were: Selectmen Michael Eremita, Robert Neil, Gwen Marrion and Sandra Pierog; Administrative Officer Joyce Stille; and one member of the public.

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:45 p.m.

2. Public Comment

Ray Hardy made the Selectmen aware if the handout he submitted was in response to the natural gas pipe-line.

3. Approval of Minutes

A. May 3, 2016 Meeting

Motion made by R. Neil. M. Eremita seconded. Vote 5:0:0

B. May 10, 2016 Special Meeting

Motion made by R. Neil. M. Eremita seconded. Vote 5:0:0

C. May 19, 2016 Special Meeting

Motion made by R. Neil. M. Eremita seconded. Vote 5:0:0

D. May 24, 2016 Special Meeting

Motion made by R. Neil. M. Eremita seconded. Vote 5:0:0

E. May 26, 2016 Special Meeting

Motion made by R. Neil. M. Eremita seconded. With the amendment of line 3 section 2 “the expressway properties to “highway purposes”, motion carried 5:0:0

F. May 31, 2016 Special Meeting

Motion made by R. Neil. M. Eremita seconded. Vote 5:0:0

4. Correspondence

None

5. Unfinished Business

None

6. New Business

A. Charter Oak Greenway Shared Use Path and Path Extension

R. Morra and J. Stille meet with the owners of the drive-in property as well as DOT. R. Morra stated the DOT wants to modify the entry way. J. Stille stated the developer is looking to see if they can get utilities in proposed area which would impact DOT’s easement. R. Morra stated the bike path is moving forward in the drive-in area. R. Morra reported that BSC will be done with the survey in the next couple of months.

B. Lower Bolton Lake Status Report

Based on the prior meeting, DEEP sent a letter conforming they will not be stocking Bolton Lake this year. The DEEP letter's also stated that catfish are not an issue and there is no link between water quality and channel catfish in the lake.

Lake Commissioner Kim Welch informed J. Stille and R. Morra that Curly Pond Weed has been found around the lake and confirmed by George Knoecklein. R. Morra stated that this invasive species will need to be removed and they are going to check and see the magnitude of the problem.

Friends of Bolton Lake sent a request to the Town of Bolton for the annual draw down of 18 inches of the lower Bolton Lake. J. Stille stated the draw down is already in progress.

C. FY16 Budget Report

J. Stille reviewed the FY16 budget; she stated the state trooper's budget will significantly decrease with the invoice just received.

D. FY17 Budget

J. Stille shared a letter stating there will be 20 million dollars in cuts from municipal aid in the state of Connecticut for the FY17. J. Stille stated she will make the Board of Finance aware of the municipal aid cuts.

E. Consider and Act on Budget Transfer and/ or Appropriation Requests

J. Stille provided a report of the approved budget transfer requests and additional requests in the Professional and Tech Services budget.

The first request is for \$9,000 in the Technical Services budget from category Official/Administrative to category Technical Services. The second transfer request is for \$15,000 from budget Refuse to budget Professional & Tech Services from category Contract Pickup to category Technical Services.

A motion was made by S. Pierog, seconded by M. Eremita to accept the budget transfer requests. Vote carries 5:0:0

7. Ongoing Business

A. Subcommittee Reports

None

B. Properties and Facilities

R. Morra stated the board had gone to the Heritage Farm and toured the barn that was repaired due to a fire. S. Pierog stated she sent an email to the contractor to find out when they will be back on site. S. Pierog presented two emails to the Selectmen from the architect totaling \$14,763.00. S. Pierog made a motion to pay the total amount; the motion was seconded by M. Eremita.

R. Morra also mentioned that staff had a meeting about securing the fencing around the tennis courts at the high school and other possible repairs. R. Morra stated that repairs needed to be made for next year until the tennis court needs to be replaced.

C. Revenue Services

None

8. First Selectmen's Report

A. Board of Education Capital Projects

R. Morra stated the sidewalk at the Center School will be redone over the summer; the paving will have to be held off until next year. J. Stille stated the carpet/tile on the upper level at the Center School is going to be replaced, the bid is due soon. J. Stille stated the \$10,000 in funds is available now, with the remainder available July 1; school staff is still trying to figure out a way to have the work completed before school starts.

B. Economic Development

None

C. Natural Gas

R. Morra discussed a petition to ensure the safety of route 6 submitted by residents of Bolton. The Residents want the town of Bolton to request the Connecticut Department of Transportation to make a safety study of the effect of the natural gas pipeline with increased truck traffic on route 6. R. Morra suggested Bolton, Andover and Coventry meet and discuss the natural gas pipeline proposal. S. Pierog moved, seconded by G. Marrion to request our State legislators and DOT to do a traffic study and send copies out to the three towns affected. Vote 5:0:0

9. Administrative Officer's Report

A. Expressway Properties

J. Stille stated she was going to be receiving the deeds soon. After the deeds are received the Board of Selectmen will review the parcels on Notch Road.

B. Eastern Gateways Study

R. Morra stated they had a booth at family day, 75 residents participated.

C. Building Foundations Issue

J. Stille stated she is working with CCROG and will keep the Board informed, she stated all questions and concerns can be sent to her.

D. Legislative Session Information

None

10. Appointments

For the Bolton High School Project, a motion was made by Ms. Pierog, seconded by Mr. Eremita, to reappoint Scott Bosco, Leslie Shea, Jason Norris and John Dean to the Temporary Public Building Commission. Motion unanimously passed.

A motion was made by Mr. Neil, seconded by Mr. Eremita, to appoint Mary Huda as the interim Assessor as of July 1, 2016. Motion unanimously passed.

11. Consider and Act on Fourth Referendum Date (If necessary)

No action, budget passed.

12. Adjournment

A motion was made by Mr. Neil, seconded by Mr. Eremita, to adjourn the meeting at 8:10p.m.
A motion to adjourn and reconvene at town hall was made by M. Eremita, seconded by R. Neil.
The Meeting was adjourned at 7:51 p.m. Vote 5:0:0

Respectfully Submitted,

Corrine O'Brien
Board Clerk

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MINUTES AND ANY CORRECTIONS HERETO.