

The Board of Selectmen Facilities and Public Safety Subcommittee held a meeting on June 12, 2017 at the Town Hall. Present were: Selectman Robert Morra; Selectmen Robert Neil and Sandra Pierog; Administrative Officer Joyce Stille; Board of Education members Scott Rich and Andrew Broneill; Superintendent Kristin Heckt; and Ray Boyd.

### **1. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting began at 7:04 P.M.

### **2. DISCUSSION ON CISTERN**

The subcommittee members shared with the school officials the reasoning behind the proposed location for the cistern by the Bolton Center School including the following:

- Need to protect Town facilities
- Study done on water supply for Planning and Zoning Commission identified the site as location for that area because Town facilities located there
- Study identified distance from cistern to facilities should not exceed 1,500 feet
- Fire department exceeds 1,500 feet distance and unable to find a good location there
- Town Green even farther away
- Cistern provides water for life safety and then fire suppression
- Safety of personnel important
- Proposed location provides access for fire department on Notch road side or on exit road side
- Cistern use would be for short duration of time, only 6 to 7 trucks filling

In addition, Mr. Morra asked if school officials had an evacuation plan that included the front driveway being blocked whether from a natural disaster, cistern being used, accident or other reason. Ms. Heckt said they do not have a plan but would work on the issue over the summer. School officials expressed concern on the proposed site as it related to traffic during the start and end of school and during evening events. The group agreed to look at two possible locations at the back of the school.

### **3. NATURAL GAS CONVERSION**

School representatives shared where their process stood for the conversion and asked about the timing for possible connection. Ms. Stille said that the gas line installation by CNG was to be completed during the summer. No specific date was available yet. CNG's contractor was in the process of finalizing necessary items to work on Town roads.

School representatives also shared they were looking at a comprehensive energy upgrade plan that would save money after upgrades were paid off through current electric billing. Ms. Stille informed the group that over the last couple of years all town buildings except the Notch Road Municipal Center had completed the energy upgrade plan.

Ms. Heckt asked about funding the energy management system at Bolton Center School now out of the bonded capital projects for the school. Per the resolutions approved, to the

extent of available funds could any additional listed projects be considered by the Board of Selectmen. Meaning all other projects needed to be completed first to determine if there were any surplus funds.

For Town buildings, Ms. Stille shared that the Fire Department generator would be replaced next year. We are currently working on conversions or developing specifications for all buildings that will be on natural gas. In addition, we are investigating grants related to the conversion.

#### **4. TOWN FACILITIES**

For Bolton Heritage Farm, the group agreed to proceed with foundation repair work and getting an estimate for upgrades to the fire alarm system.

In addition, the group agreed to work with the Planning and Zoning Commission to install a streetlight at the corner of Maple Valley and Toomey Road (was delayed until streetlight conversion project) and to pursue a parking area at the end of Notch Road Extension.

#### **5. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting ended at 8:10 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce M. Stille

Administrative Officer

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