

The Board of Selectmen held its regular meeting on July 11, 2017, at the Bolton Town Hall, with the First Selectman Robert Morra presiding. In attendance were Selectmen Michael Eremita, Robert Neil, Gwen Marrion, and Sandra Pierog (7:06). Administrative Officer Joyce Stille was also present. Kim Welch, Lake Commissioner, attended as well.

1. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m.
2. **Public Comment:**
None.
3. **Approval of Minutes:**
 - a. **June 6, 2017 Public Hearing:** R. Neil moved to approve. M. Eremita seconded. Vote 4:0:0.
 - b. **June 6, 2017 Meeting:** R. Neil moved to approve with the correction of "Statute 12-07b" to "Statute 12-107b" in item #3b. M. Eremita seconded. Vote 4:0:0.
 - c. **June 12, 2017 Special Meeting:** R. Neil moved to approve. M. Eremita seconded. Vote 4:0:0.
 - d. **June 19, 2017 Special Meeting:** M. Eremita moved to approve. G. Marrion seconded. Vote 3:0:1, R. Neil abstaining due to absence at that meeting.
4. **Correspondence:** None.
5. **Unfinished Business:** None.
6. **New Business:**
 - a. **Charter Oak Greenway Shared Use Path and Path Extension:** Rapid progress is occurring in clearing the trail space. The BOS discussed the current configuration of stop signs on Bolton Center Road for construction safety and its impact on road safety. S. Pierog moved to request that he DOT to retain the four way stop sign on Bolton Center Road post construction at the end of I-384, Bolton Center Road and Iroquois Trail. R. Neil seconded. Vote 5:0:0. K. Welch recommended they also request that DOT keep cyclist safety in mind. The lanes should be usable for travel but are very tight right now. In addition, the entrance road to the old drive in has been secured. The new easement for the Town in this area is in process.
 - b. **Lower Bolton Lake Status Report:** George Knoecklein gave a good presentation on June 20 with a positive report on the health of the lake. Nutrient levels are evening out, and invasive species appear to be dying off. The town will be seeking from the state a multi-year permit to treat the lake. A summer seminar by the Friends of Bolton Lake on invasive aquatic plants will be held at 7:00 PM, July 27, 2017, at Newhoca Lodge in

Vernon, CT.

- c. FY 17 Budget Report:** Tax collection is at 100.65% of the budgeted amount through May 31st. Transfers were made as follows:

In Administration: \$150.00 from Professional & Business Training to Office Operating Expenses, \$125.00 from Professional & Business Training to Office Operating Expenses, and \$60.00 from Mileage Reimbursement to Office Operating Expenses.

In Town Building Operations: \$1,690.00 from Telephone to Electricity.

In Land Use: \$1,700 from Misc. Department Activities to Professional & Technical Services.

In Fire Commission: \$2,543.87 from Purchased Services to Repairs & Maintenance, \$30.00 from Office Operating Expenses to Repairs & Maintenance, \$222.00 from Professional & Business Training to Medical Expenses & Training, \$310.00 from Professional & Business Training to Repairs & Maintenance, \$96.00 from Other Payroll to Other Contracts, \$143.00 from Other Payroll to Uniforms, \$139.21 from Purchased Services to Repairs & Maintenance, \$290.26 Equipment New to Repairs & Maintenance, \$117.53 from Professional & Business Training to Repairs & Maintenance, and \$77.00 from Other Contracts to Uniforms. In Fringe Benefits / Police: \$4,000 from Health Insurance to Contracts.

- d. FY 18 Budget:** The town is waiting for word on grants from the state.
- e. Consider and Act on Resident State Trooper Contract:** R. Neil moved to approve the Resident State Trooper Contract. S. Pierog seconded. Vote 5:0:0.
- f. Consider and Act on Establishment of Refuse and Recycling Fund and Board of Education Non-Fiduciary Activity Fund:**

The BOS discussed the language of the draft of the Refuse and Recycling Fund. M. Eremita moved, seconded by R. Neil. The first sentence of the first paragraph was changed to ".....by the Board of Selectmen, which Fund shall be used in whole or in part for all *designated contributions, applicable grants and / or other eligible funds.*" In item #3, second sentence, "upon such conditions, as the subcommittee shall determine" was struck. With these amendments, vote 5:0:0.

M. Eremita moved to approve the BOE Non-Fiduciary Activity Fund. R. Neil seconded. The BOS discussed the fund and agreed by consensus to send it forward to the BOE for further comments before taking action. Ms. Stille had given Superintendent Heckt a copy of the fund in June for review and comment. Motion withdrawn.

- g. Consider and Act on Budget Transfer Requests:** No action.

A recess was taken from 7:58 pm until 8:00 pm.

7. Ongoing Business:

a. Subcommittee Reports:

Finance and Administration: The BOS will review the CVC contract.

Facilities and Public Safety: Planning continues for both the cistern and natural gas. A meeting on the cistern will be held on July 17th with school officials.

b. Properties and Facilities:

S. Pierog reported that work on the Heritage Farm barn is complete except for a beam that needs to be bolted. S. Pierog moved to pay \$4940.00 to Proulx Building & Remodeling, LLC, and \$896.96 to Nelson Edwards Company Architects, LLC, to be held until a picture of the bolted beam is received. G. Marrion seconded. Vote 5:0:0.

S. Pierog announced that the farmers' market will be held 8am to 1pm on the last Sunday in August.

c. Revenue Sources: Nothing new to report.

8. First Selectman's Report:

a. Board of Education Capital Projects: Carpet and floor replacement at BCS continues. Paving work has been completed.

b. Natural Gas Line: Gas lines continue to progress.

c. Shared Services: S. Pierog asked about upcoming meetings. R. Morra said there is one in August. The last meeting was with Mansfield. The BOE meets at the end of summer.

9. Administrative Officer's Report:

a. CRCOG: For the Electronic Document Management Project, there will be an upcoming conversation with technical personnel and staff will meet with the vendor in August.

b. Community Connectivity Grant: A. Fiano will be attending an upcoming meeting as a representative of Bike Walk Bolton.

c. Joint work on High School Fields: The school and town staff have met and discussed the current status of the fields. Differences exist between the Town routine field maintenance and school field maintenance. They are waiting for a topographical survey, aeration and top seeding of the soccer field has been done. There is another meeting next week.

d. Nathan Hale Greenway: BSC Group was contracted with Coventry to work on the former Route 6 properties.

10. Appointments: M. Eremita moved to approve the following appointments:

Board of Fire Commissioners:

Christopher A. Moquin (D)

7 Laurwood Drive

5 years – 7/1/22

Bolton Heritage Farm Commission:

Beth A. Harney (D)

176 Bolton Center Road

3 years – 7/1/20

Jonathan M. Treat (R)

87 Bolton Center Road

3 years – 7/1/20 (Alt.)

Economic Development Commission:

William Anderson (R)

77 French Roads

4 years - 7/1/21

Alex Ansaldi (R)

40 Lucks Way

4 years – 7/1/21

Catherine E. Cushman (Teller) (D)

23 Elizabeth Road

4 years – 7/1/21

Milton Hathaway (R)

10 Quarry Road, Ste C

3 years – 7/1/20

Energy Committee:

Richard Dziadul (G)

87 Maple Valley Road

4 years – 7/1/21

Rodney Fournier (R)

9 Hanover Farms Road

2 years – 6/30/19

John Stewart (D)

534 Hop River Road

2 years – 6/30/17

Inland Wetlands Commission:

Jane Darico (U)
20 Carpenter Road
3 years – 7/1/20

Ross Lally (D)
41 Notch Road
3 years – 7/1/20
David M. Ostafin (R)
1 Wall Street
3 years – 7/1/20

Library Board of Trustees:

Rebecca Holliman (U)
61 Loomis Road
4 years – 7/1/21

Ulana S. Hyrn (R)
6 Mohegan Trail
4 years – 7/1/21

Dorothy R. Neil (R)
195 West Street
4 years – 7/1/21

Brook E. Nowak (R)
7 Meadow Road
4 years – 7/1/21

Kelly Goldsnider (U)
226 Hebron Road
4 years – 7/1/21

Animal Control Officers:

Craig Segar
Animal Control Officer
1 year – 7/1/18

Jerold Casida
Asst. Animal Control Officer
1 year – 7/1/18

Assessor:

Helen Totz
1 year – 7/1/18

Building Inspector:

James Rupert
3 years – 7/1/20

Community Voice Channel BOD:

Ruth M. Treat
2 years – 7/1/19

Lake Commissioner:

Kimberly Welch
2 years – 7/1/19

Treasurer:

Catherine H. Peterson
2 years – 7/1/19

- 11. Adjournment:** R. Neil moved to adjourn. M. Eremita seconded. Vote 5:0:0. Meeting adjourned at 8:42 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah Benitez, Recording Secretary

Please see minutes of subsequent meetings for approval of these minutes and any corrections hereto.