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BURLINGTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
REGULAR MEETING  
TUESDAY, March 9, 2010

First Selectman Bergstrom called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM at the Burlington Town Hall Conference Room. Present were Selectmen Bergstrom, Taricani, Chard and Grindal-Keller.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Accept Minutes: After review a motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously to accept the minutes of the February 9, 2010 Regular Meeting by Selectman Chard/ Selectman Taricani.

After review a motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously to accept the minutes of the March 2, 2010 Special Meeting by Selectman Taricani/ Selectman Chard.

Citizen Comment: None

Old Business/Actionable:

Wild & Scenic Designation: Present were Sally Rieger and Eileen Fielding. They explained that the Town would continue to have Land Use Regulations and there would be no substantial change. They need all ten (10) towns to sign a resolution stating that the Town accepts the Farmington River as a Wild and Scenic Designation. First Selectman Bergstrom will have the Town Attorney review the resolution and make changes if necessary. The resolution will be on the next regular meeting agenda.

Stop Sign(s) on Jerome Avenue: Present was resident Patricia Pierzanowski. First Selectman Bergstrom noted that she did speak to Officer Kevin Murell, Bristol Traffic Division, who has had conversations with Trooper Buthe. He does favor adding the stop sign at the intersection of S. Main and Jerome, the installation of this stop sign meets 2 points of criteria listed in the Uniform Traffic Control Manual he references. He will be sending a letter.

Also discussed was the stop sign at the intersection of Old Farm Road and Jerome Avenue. This will be reviewed by Officer Murell as well.

A motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously to construct a stop sign on Jerome Avenue at the intersection of Jerome and South Main traveling north (Taricani/Grindal-Keller).

Alpine Road Subdivision: Present were Mark Arigoni, Licensed Architect representing Carrier Home Builders, Rejean Carrier, Steve Carrier and Attorney Tim Hollister, Shipman & Goodman of Hartford. Mark wanted to

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clarify that the developer is asking the Town's permission to construct a portion of the basin on Town property or a transfer of the .19 acre of Town land to the developer. He also noted that to improve the road to current specifications, with contingency, the cost would be \$380,000.

Selectman Chard noted that after looking at maps with the Town Engineer it seemed that the existing road does not follow the current right of way. First Selectman Bergstrom noted that the maps show the road being lowered.

Mark explained that the proposed road does following the current road and yes, it would be lowered approximately 10 feet to accommodate the proposed sewer line. He noted that it would have to be looked at again if they did not lower the road but probably can be done.

The Board also had a question regarding construction of the 10 foot wall on Town property and what the liability would be. They are waiting for the answer from the Town's insurance agent. They also agreed that this should go to a town meeting for a vote. The Board also agreed to hold a Special Town Meeting on April 19, 2010 for the actual vote.

A motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously to have the following on the agenda for the Town meeting: (Taricani/Chard)

1. To give Carrier Home Builders permission to construction a portion of the water quality basin on Town property with an easement for maintenance.
2. To transfer .19 acres of Town land to Carrier Home Builders to construct the water quality basin with an easement for maintenance.
3. Neither.

These items would be voted on separately.

Correspondence: Reviewed

Ongoing Business:

Appointments to Boards and Commissions: First Selectman Bergstrom noted that she did hear from IWWC Chairman DePasquale regarding Dominick Lucenti. His attendance is good and he is a valuable member. A motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously to appoint Dominick Lucenti as an Alternate to the IWWC for a term of July 1, 2009 to July 1, 2011 (Chard/Grindal-Keller).

First Selectman Bergstrom noted that there are four (4) residents interested in the opening on the Board of Selectman. The Republican Town Committee meets Thursday and may have a recommendation for the Board.

Selectman Chard asked if the position was advertised as we do with all the other openings. First Selectman Bergstrom noted that she will have the vacancy placed on the website. The Board discussed that there is a 30 day window assuring them the ability to appoint, after the 30 days they will still be able to appoint



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but anyone can then petition the Town Clerk for an election with signatures of 5% of the number of registered voters.

Selectmen's Reports: Selectman Chard noted that he spoke to Dan Zabel and he asked why the Board appointed another person to be the representative on the Bristol Burlington Health District when he had 6 months remaining on his term. First Selectman Bergstrom noted that she received a call from the Bristol Burlington Health District stating they needed a replacement for Dan. She assumed that he no longer was the representative. First Selectman Bergstrom will call the Health District to follow up.

Selectman Grindal-Keller asked if there was a parking ban in the town during snow storms. Yes, First Selectman Bergstrom will discuss this with the Director of Public Works.

First Selectman Bergstrom reported on the following:

- Attended the Legislative Breakfast. Speakers from BRRFOC stated that the plant is the primer facility in CT and New England.
- Attended IWWC meeting last week.
- Attended the HarBur Coalition luncheon regarding the substance abuse program. McCall Foundation received a grant for \$75,000 for this program. Representative from the police, school, park and recreation, and First Selectmen from both towns were present.
- Met with Board of Finance Chairman Art Johanson regarding the budget process.
- Will be meeting with town leaders to discuss sharing the position of Assessor. Harwinton shares with Morris. Discussed will be how the busy times of the year are handled by each town and if the other towns use Vision Appraisal Software.
- Revisiting the Rail to Trails Grant, this will go out to bid.
- Energy Grant for Senior Housing Complex – the last two pages were sent to the State today and we should be a go for the windows, doors and some heating components.
- Attended the Board of Education meeting on Monday. The football team will practice on the Region 10 fields and only be bussed to Foote Road if the fields are in poor shape due to over usage or rain. The principal position was reinstated – there will be two principals, one at the high school and one at the middle school, there will also be two .45 dean of students. The Board of Education will vote next Monday to go to referendum.
- The Plan of Conservation and Development is on the P&Z agenda for March 11, 2010. The draft was accepted as correspondence and they will hold workshops. The Board of Selectman will hold an informational meeting on March 29, 2010 regarding the POCD.
- Submitted a letter to the State regarding the Vineyard Road Bridge – we could use the existing RFP submissions.
- Spoke to Mr. Harris regarding the Community Gardens. We will put out a survey as to the interest. It may be too late for planting for this year but we will be in good shape for next year if the interest is there.
- Received a request for the Town to consider Tax Amnesty. Selectman Chard noted that this was discussed and it was not possible due to the number of delinquent taxes. This has



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changed due to the policy that was implemented. He also feels the window in which the state allowed towns to participate is no longer available.

Budget – Library Presentation: Present were Library Director Marie Hasskarl, Chairman Mike Ragasis, and Board Members Sandy Mazeau and Kim Lewis. Marie distributed copies of the expense budget, capital budget and backup materials. Mike discussed the increase per resident is \$1.38 over last year's per capita mainly due to the increase in maintenance for building repairs. Mike and Sandy explained the importance of the Friends of the Library and what their contributions to the Library. Mike explained that a new roof is listed as number one in the capital list of expenses. He explained how bad the roof is.

Ellie Parente distributed three (3) new pages for the Selectmen's budget book and summary sheets.

There being no further business a motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously to adjourn the regular Board of Selectmen meeting at 9:58 PM (Grindal-Keller/Taricani).

Respectfully submitted:

Kristen Grindal-Keller  
Secretary  
3/10/2010

Approved