



## Town of Burlington

### BURLINGTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN REGULAR MEETING MINUTES - TUESDAY, JANUARY 26, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM. Present were First Selectman Shafer, Selectmen Powell, Chard and Bereza. Also present was Finance Director Eleanor Parente.

Review/Accept Minutes: A motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously to accept the January 12, 2016 regular meeting minutes. (Salsedo/Chard)

#### Citizen Comment:

- Janet Schwartz indicated that the Burlington Bell Community Fund has changed their name, they are now called "Burlington Community Fund." They will be having a fundraiser on February 2, 2016, at K.C. Dubliners at 5:00 p.m. 10% of restaurant proceeds will be donated to The Community Fund.. Janet also noted that for the past 4 and half years they have raised \$9,000 that has been donated back to the Town of Burlington's social services.
- Jonathon Schwartz commented on a proposed Right to Farm Ordinance and handed out an attachment entitled "Town of Burlington Right to Farm Ordinance (Proposed)".
- Pat Miller commented on the recent information session regarding proposed ordinances ( more specifically; the citations, hearings and how the process works) and suggested more microphones for the audience.
- Barbara Dahle commented on her dissatisfaction with the regular meeting minutes and also suggested having a resident petition regarding the Foothills Trader issue.

#### Appointment of Boards and Commissions:

- Solid Waste Committee: Janet Schwartz introduced herself and expressed her interest in the vacant seat on the Solid Waste Committee. She has been a resident for 33 years and is a retired school teacher. Motion to appoint Janet Schwartz to Solid Waste Committee effective immediately to June 30, 2016, was made and passed unanimously. (Salsedo/Chard)
- Ordinance Committee: John Hebert has withdrawn his name for the alternate seat consideration. Gary Wesolowski had expressed an interest in this opening with the First Selectman's Office but was not in attendance to discuss with the Board. Mary Jane Ugalde, (Town Clerk) is also a candidate for this opening.

#### Library Construction Project Status:

- Craig Winters updated the Board: The Preliminary Building Code Review went well. They have advertised through RFQ/RFP for a "construction manager at risk" and have narrowed it down to 3 finalist to go through the interview process which is planned to be completed by February 18, 2016. Anticipated construction start date is May 1, 2016. Construction to be completed by December 31, 2016. Bids will be done by the construction manager. Discussed replacing the heating system and to consider propane or other options with concerns of costs. Considering making a section of the basement available for special projects and groups. Next update to Board will be in the middle of March 2016.



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### Selectmen's Report:

Selectmen Powell: Questioned abandoned vehicles on the road and how the process works. Burlington Police Officer Null informed Board that it is the officer's responsibility to follow up and have it towed.

Selectmen Chard: asked about budget status and Eleanor Parente updated that the process is going well and about 90% done. The budgets will be passed to the Board of Finance on March 1, 2016 and to the Selectmen at upcoming February meeting.

Selectmen Bereza: Apologized for not attending Annual Town Meeting.

Selectmen Shafer: Noted the Annual Town Meeting and Ordinance Information Session took place last night and was well attended (70 residents).

Motion to go into executive session was made, seconded and passed unanimously at 8:00 P.M. (Salsedo/Chard) .

Dwight Harris, DJ Harris, Town Attorney Duncan Forsyth were invited into the Executive Session.

Discussions of litigation status: – Bristol Water Company, Contracts – MDC, and Real Estate Acquisition Status.

Motion to end executive session at 9:40 p.m., seconded and passed unanimously. (Powell/Chard)

Motion to adjourn was made, seconded and passed unanimously, 9:41 p.m. (Chard/Powell)

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