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### **BURLINGTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN REGULAR MEETING TUESDAY, JUNE 23, 2015**

The meeting was called to order at 7:02pm. First Selectman Ted Shafer and Selectmen Chard, Salsedo, Powell, and Bereza were in attendance.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Acceptance of Minutes: The minutes of the June 9, 2015 regular meeting were reviewed. Selectmen Chard made a motion to accept. Powell seconded. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Citizen Comment: Barbara Pavlik Dahle requested changes to the June 9, 2015 meeting minutes. She handed a document with her comments to the Secretary Roger Powell. This document will be kept on file.

Appointments to Boards & Commissions: Proposed Ordinance Committee –Volunteers interested in the Ordinance Committee presenting themselves were: Ginger Doherty, Janet Parrish, Dick Alden, and Mike Vollono.

Aaron Sundberg emailed First Selectman Shafer indicating interest on the Ordinance Committee but was unable to attend the meeting. The Board will wait until the next meeting to determine Ordinance Committee appointments.

Board of Finance Open Position: A motion was made by Jim Chard to appoint Bob Coates to fill a vacancy on the Board of Finance beginning of June 23, 2015 to the next municipal election in November, 2015 and seconded by Carl Salsedo. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Jim Chard made a motion to re-appoint Eric Lindbo as a P&Z Alternate for a two year term from July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2017. The motion was seconded by Roger Powell. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Roger Powell made a motion to re-appoint Chris Argiropoulos as a Zoning Board of Appeals Alternate for a two year term from July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2017. The motion was seconded by David Bereza. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Carl Salsedo made a motion to re-appoint Robert Angelillo and Ken Ursaki to the Ethics Commission for a four year term from July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2019. The motion was seconded by James Chard. The vote in favor was unanimous.

James Chard made a motion to re-appoint John Kirschner, Arthur Funk and Kevin Bair to the Economic Development Commission for a four year term from July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2019. The motion was seconded by Carl Salsedo. David Bereza recused himself from the vote of John Kirschner as he is a family friend. The vote from all others was unanimous.

Carl Salsedo made a motion to re-appoint Alyssa Colasanto, Kevin Mullen, Craig Winter and Sridhar Srinivasan to the Library Board of Directors for a four year term from July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2019. The motion was seconded by David Bereza. The vote in favor was unanimous.



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James Chard made a motion to re-appoint Linda Kobylarz, Dominick Lucenti, Jr., and Richard Alden to the Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Commission for a four year term from July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2019. The motion was seconded by Roger Powell. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Roger Powell made a motion to re-appoint Ronald Roberts, Robert J. Slabinski (Asst.), Laureen Roberts (Deputy), Barbara Walker (Deputy), and Devon Yudelson (Deputy) to Emergency Management for a two year term from July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2017. The motion was seconded by James Chard. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Carl Salsedo made a motion to re-appoint Thomas Arcari as Animal Control Officer and Betsy Twitchell as Assistant Animal Control Officer for a two year term from July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2017. The motion was seconded by David Bereza. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Roger Powell made a motion to re-appoint Scott Tharau as Tree Warden for a two year term from July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2017. The motion was seconded by James Chard. The vote in favor was unanimous.

James Chard made a motion to re-appoint Robert Jorgensen, Joseph Tom Werle, John Hebert, and Paul Bystrak to the Solid Waste Committee for a one year term from July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016. The motion was seconded by Carl Salsedo. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Roger Powell made a motion to re-appoint Richarda Hellner and Jackie Shadford to the Conservation Commission for a two year term from July 30, 2015 to June 30, 2017. The motion was seconded by Carl Salsedo. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Marketing Ad Hoc Committee: Tod Kallenbach, Economic Development Chairman was present to discuss developing a Marketing Ad Hoc Committee to reach out and help existing businesses and attract future businesses positioning the Town as a destination. First meeting with approval of Board of Selectmen is scheduled for Thursday, September 14, 2015 at the Burlington Public Library.

The Board will begin to search for volunteers to serve on the Marketing Ad Hoc Committee beginning September 14, 2015 for a two year period. They will discuss developing this Committee at the next regular Board of Selectmen meeting.

James Chard made a motion to add an item to Agenda to consider the Suburban Sanitation Contract Extension. The motion was seconded by David Bereza. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Suburban Sanitation Contract Extension: Joe Johnson from Suburban Sanitation and Town Attorney Duncan Forsyth were present. The Solid Waste Committee reviewed and approved the Contract Extension. They also recommended to the Board of Finance to accept the Contract which passed that Board unanimously. Joe Johnson presented the Solid Waste contract to the Board. The Town Attorney has reviewed the terms. There was a lengthy discussion.

James Chard made a motion to empower the First Selectman to enter into the Agreement with Suburban Sanitation for the contracts for Solid Waste and Recycling as presented beginning July 1, 2015. The motion was seconded by Carl Salsedo. The vote in favor was unanimous.



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### Selectmen Reports:

Selectman Bereza inquired about a grand opening date for Rails to Trails. First Selectman Shafer noted that the Rails To Trails are currently open to residents. There is substantial completion, but there is a possibility of an additional phase of the project to include paving the parking lot along with punch list items. A proposed Rails To Trails ribbon cutting ceremony and DEEP equipment grant was discussed.

Selectman Salsedo attended a National Conference in Washington, DC regarding costs of education and health care.

Selectman Chard inquired about construction near Cumberland Farms and assumed it was not part of Phase 1 Streetscape. First Selectman Shafer noted that the State of CT DOT is putting in an updated crosswalk on Route 69 and Route 4.

Selectman Powell followed up on Selectman Chard's comments about the construction on Route 69 and Route 4 and inquired if the state was also paving. It appears they are working on catch basins. Town will ask CT DOT.

First Selectman Ted Shafer discussed the following:

- Follow up on resident comments by Ginger Doherty regarding an osprey nest at the George Washington Turnpike Fire House cell tower. An inquiry was put into DEEP. DEEP Biologist suggested that Cell Tower contractor will need to hold off on any repairs or expansions on the cell tower until the osprey are able to fly at the end of July 2015. Contractor has indicated they will hold off until October 2015 for safe measure.
- Architect RFPs for the Library Expansion will be opened on July 7 at noon in the Selectmen's Conference Room at Town Hall. Building Committee has been selected with 8 members.

Attorney Duncan Forsyth requested addition to agenda for Litigation in Executive Session: Nilsen v. Town of Burlington.

James Chard made a motion to add Nilsen v. Town of Burlington to Litigation in Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Roger Powell. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Executive Session: A motion was made by Selectmen Chard and seconded by Selectmen Roger Powell to enter Executive Session at 8:14 pm to discuss Litigation: Angela's Way and just added was Nilsen v. Town of Burlington, Real Estate Acquisition Status-Personnel: Boards and Commissions, Contracts: State Police, Lake Garda Fire Department, Town Hall Bargaining Unit. Ellie Parente and Duncan Forsyth were invited to attend Executive Session. The vote on the motion was unanimous in favor.

Selectman Bereza excused himself from Executive Session at 9:28 PM .

A motion to end Executive Session at 10:01pm and re-enter regular session was made by Selectmen Powell and seconded by Selectmen Chard. The vote on the motion was unanimous in favor.



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A motion was made to adjourn meeting at 10:02 pm by Selectmen Chard and seconded by Selectmen Powell. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Roger Powell  
Secretary