



## Town of Burlington

### BURLINGTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING

Tuesday, June 12, 2018 - Burlington Town Hall

1. **Call Meeting to Order** - Meeting was called to order at 7:07 PM. Quorum was reached. Present was First Selectman Ted Shafer, Selectmen Zabel, Salsedo, Chard and Byrne.
2. **Review/Accept Minutes** - **Motion** made, seconded and passed unanimously to approve the May 22, 2018 Board of Selectmen regular minutes as written. (Salsedo/Zabel)
3. **Citizen Comment** – None
4. **Appointments to Boards & Commissions** – Phil Penn of Burlington has submitted a letter of resignation effective June 30, 2018 regarding his elected position on the Region 10 Board of Education. His term ends November 30, 2019. The Regional Board of Education State Statutes are being reviewed. The process for replacement is now being analyzed by Region 10 and Burlington Town Attorney. Board of Selectmen will continue to discuss at upcoming meetings.  
  
Susan Millerick submitted a letter of resignation from the Parks and Recreation Commission dated June 4, 2018. **Motion** made, seconded and approved unanimously with regret to accept Susan Millerick's letter of resignation from the Parks and Recreation Commission effective immediately, (Chard/Salsedo).
5. **Sustainable CT** – Burlington is participating in a statewide certification program called Sustainable CT. There are 9 categories that must be met to reach the bronze or silver certification levels. Sustainable CT Committee is currently working with individuals/residents who are experienced in each of the categories to complete the August 2018 submission. For example, John Deeb will be developing a model for a Burlington Arts and Culture ad hoc committee to share with the Selectmen. Carl Salsedo & Scott Tharau are working on other categories. Committee also working to receive certification credit for past actions.
6. **Johnnycake Mountain Park Design Committee Update** – The Johnnycake Mountain Park Design Committee continues to meet with Landscape Architects BSC to develop a master plan and bid documents. Since the Town's purchase of the 60 acres, the Johnnycake Mountain parcel has been used for Land Trust hiking tours, a temporary practice lacrosse field, Parks & Rec Halloween & youth events and the Make A Mark Music Festival. Recreation participation trends are shifting and being re-evaluated, for example; Town softball and baseball enrollment has decreased and lacrosse has increased. The Committee is considering multi-use fields and various community engagement options. The first phase of project development would include parking, access roads and pathways. The Commission will come to update the Board of Selectmen in the Fall and then have a public presentation.
7. **Ordinance Update** – The status of the Ordinance revision process was discussed. There will be a town residents' vote in the Fall to adopt the remaining revisions.
8. **Selectmen's Report** -  
**Salsedo** - Selectmen Salsedo mentioned the upcoming regional garden tour and encourages anyone interested to contact him.  
**Shafer** – First Selectman Shafer discussed Burlington ZEO Abby Conroy's recent resignation and her acceptance of a new job. Her last day of work will be June 29, 2018. Marty Connor & Rista Malanca will be our land use consultants covering evening meetings, applications and inspections as we seek a ZEO replacement.  
**Chard** - No Report  
**Byrne** – No Report  
**Zabel** – Selectmen Zabel mentioned that responses to resident inquiries from town staff should be quicker. No specific circumstances were discussed.

**9. Citizen Comment** – First Selectman Shafer welcomed two residents who arrived to the meeting late. Shafer offered to re-open agenda item #3 Citizen Comment so these residents could speak. **Motion** made, seconded and approved to re-open agenda item #3, (Zabel/Chard).

Michael O'Connor, 43 Meadow Road, spoke about issues on "Prospect Street". He presented photographs of area bridge he felt was unsafe and that the nearby gravel pit operations was not following the restrictions on their permit which includes the turning direction Trucks take while exiting. His daughter Tammy O'Connor, 43 Meadow Road, concurred and added a complaint about use of firearms in the neighborhood sporadically on the weekends. She did notify Troop L and they referred her back to Burlington Police which were unavailable at the time due to being on a call.

First Selectman Shafer indicated that he responded to Ms. Connor's issues in the Fall of 2017 in which the police, building department personnel, Town engineer, and police were engaged and investigated. No wrong doing was found at that time. Shafer indicated that improper use of firearms at this time should be referred to the police for investigation, he will speak with the Town Engineer again regarding the bridge, he will have the police and/or ZEO observe the gravel operation again. Selectmen Chard suggested that when an items such as this is discovered, residents should file a written complaint with the town zoning enforcement officer. Shafer will put this item on the agenda for next meeting.

8. **Executive Session** – Real Estate Acquisition Status, Security, Contracts: Farmington Sewer and Library - **Motion** was made, seconded and unanimously approved to go into Executive Session at 8:40 PM to discuss Real Estate Acquisition Status, Security, Contracts: Farmington Sewer and Library, (Chard/Byrne). Beverly Jackson was invited into Executive Session. **Motion** made, seconded and unanimously approved to leave Executive Session at 9:05 PM (Chard/Zabel) and return back to Regular Meeting.
9. **Adjourn** - **Motion** made (Zabel), seconded (Chard) and passed unanimously to adjourn meeting at 9:06 PM.

Carl Salsedo, Secretary