



## Town of Burlington

### BURLINGTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING

Tuesday, September 11, 2018 - Burlington Town Hall

1. **Call Meeting to Order** - Meeting was called to order at 7:02 PM. Quorum was reached. Present was First Selectman Ted Shafer and Selectmen Salsedo and Chard. Zabel and Byrne were absent.
2. **Review/Accept Minutes** - **Motion** made, seconded and passed unanimously to approve the July 24, 2018 Board of Selectmen regular minutes as written. (Chard/Salsedo)
3. **Citizen Comment**
  - Barbara Pavlik, 100 Spielman Highway, spoke favorably of Burlington's Building Official/Mgr Larry Farrell. She commended his re-addressing of issues that were not handled well by former Burlington Zoning Enforcement Officer Abby Conroy. Pavlik suggested that Farrell fill the currently open Zoning Enforcement Official position along with his current responsibilities. She also commented on enforcement of the dog leash ordinance and the process & costs associated with upcoming 10 Year Plan of Conservation and Development.
  - Kim Cyr, 42 Claire Hill Road, requested copies of the legal defense invoices for Town Attorney Ken Slater under the Freedom of Information Act. More specifically, invoices for Attorney Slater's legal defense of Burlington's Zoning Board of Appeals decision vs Bruce Cady. Cady also lives at 42 Claire Hill Road and was present.
  - Mark Orzechowski, 298 George Washington Turnpike, spoke about enforcing speed limits on George Washington Turnpike and tractor trailer trucks negotiating turns on Case Road. First Selectman Shafer referred matter to the Burlington Police. Sergeant Russell was present and invited Mark to talk more with him at his convenience.
  - Michael O'Connor, 43 Meadow Road, spoke about his continuing issues with the gravel pit on Prospect Road, gun shooting at the property and alleged 30 truck loads per day exiting and entering the operation. O'Connor also requested tonnage capacity signs for the Prospect Bridge, a stop sign be installed and sight lines improvement at the intersection of Meadow Road & Prospect Street. First Selectman Shafer indicated Mr. O'Connor's daughter, Tammy, notified his office of these same issues a week ago, so Burlington Building Official Larry Farrell was informed and he wrote an enforcement letter to the gravel pit owner and is conducting an investigation. Shafer also spoke to the Burlington Police Department and they are looking into these issues. The Town Engineer will again be contacted to look at the bridge. Shafer indicated that this is the third time the Town has investigated these issues. The first two investigations concluded that there was no wrongdoing on the part of the gravel pit owner. This will be put on upcoming agenda when current investigations are completed.
4. **Appointments to Boards & Commissions** – **Motion** made, seconded and approved unanimously to accept with regret Amanda Zabel's letter of resignation from the Zoning Board of Appeals, Alternate. (Salsedo/Chard). The vacancy will be posted on the Town Website.
5. **Anniversary of 9/11** – First Selectman Shafer read a tribute "Today we remember, with reverence, all the lives that were lost as we commemorate the 17<sup>th</sup> anniversary of 9/11. Nearly 3,000 men, women and children died in the attacks at the World Trade Center site, the Pentagon, and aboard Flight 93. Let us never forget the courage of those who put themselves in harm's way to save people they never knew"
6. **Farmer's Market Recap** – The Farmer's Market on Thursdays in August at the Town Hall was a success. First Selectman Shafer thanked the Economic Development Commission, Boy Scouts Troop 23, Linne Ursaki, Public Works and the Police Department for all of their assistance. Organization of the Farmers Market for next summer will start in January 2019. Many of the vendors will participate in upcoming Tavern Day, Sunday, September 16, 2018.

7. **Region 10 Board of Education Vacancy & Special Town Meeting Vote** –The Board of Selectmen acknowledged Phil Penn’s resignation letter that was accepted last night by the Region 10 Board of Education. The resignation letter was dated July 9, 2018 & effective September 11, 2018. **Motion** made, seconded and approved unanimously to approve Special Town Meeting agenda to fill vacancy to be held on October 3, 2018 at 7pm at Burlington Town Hall (Chard/Salsedo)
8. **Selectmen’s Report** -  
**Zabel** – Absent  
**Salsedo** - No Report  
**Chard** - No Report  
**Byrne** – Absent  
**Shafer** – First Selectman Shafer discussed upcoming Tavern Day, September 16, 2018, 11am – 4pm, on the Town Green. The Board of Selectmen received invitations to the Annual Connecticut Conference of Municipalities Conference which includes guest speakers and education sessions on 10/30/18. The Sustainable CT section on “Optimizing for Equity” was distributed and diversity programs were discussed.
9. **Executive Session** – Real Estate Acquisition Status, Security, Contracts: Farmington Sewer and Library, Litigation: Foreclosure - **Motion** was made, seconded and unanimously approved to go into Executive Session at 8:07 PM to discuss Real Estate Acquisition Status, Security, Contracts: Farmington Sewer and Library, Litigation: Foreclosure, (Chard/Salsedo). Beverly Jackson was invited into Executive Session. **Motion** made, seconded and unanimously approved to leave Executive Session at 8:34 PM (Chard/Salsedo) and return back to Regular Meeting.
10. **Adjourn** - **Motion** made (Salsedo), seconded (Chard) and passed unanimously to adjourn meeting at 8:35 PM.

Carl Salsedo, Secretary