

Town of Burlington

BURLINGTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING Tuesday, February 11, 2020 – Burlington Town Hall

1. **Call Meeting to Order** - Meeting was called to order at 7:01 PM. Present was First Selectman Ted Shafer, Selectmen Chard, Salsedo and Zabel. Selectmen Byrne absent. Recording clerk Allison Tharau.
2. **Review/Accept Minutes – Motion** made, seconded and passed unanimously to accept the Special Meeting Minutes from January 21, 2020. (Chard/Zabel)
Motion made, seconded and passed unanimously to accept the Regular Meeting Minutes from January 28, 2020. (Salsedo/Zabel)
Motion made, seconded and passed unanimously to accept the Special Meeting Minutes from February 4, 2020. (Chard/Zabel)
3. **Citizen Comment** – Richard Miller suggested a “smart light” at Route intersection (Barnes Hill & Punch Brook).

4. **Appointments to Boards and Commissions** – Bill Parente, WPCA Chairman, was present and asked the Board to fill the one WPCA vacancy.

Motion made, seconded and passed unanimously to amend agenda to move agenda # 8 Executive Session after agenda # 4. (Chard/Salsedo)

5. **Executive Session -**
Motion made, seconded and passed unanimously to go into Executive Session at 7:18PM. (Chard/Zabel)
Invited into Executive Session: William Parente.
Motion made, seconded and passed unanimously to conclude Executive Session and enter back into regular session at 7:42 PM. (Zabel/Salsedo)

6. **Selectmen’s Reports** –
Shafer-First Selectman Shafer indicated that Scott Tharau, Director of Public Works, submitted an application to DOT District 4 requesting permission to install a solar powered speed limit sign on Route 4. Permission was granted and the solar speed limit sign was installed on Route 4 on the hill approaching the intersection of Punch Brook Road and Barnes Hill Road. The Town will continue to look at signage and lights.
Town received two quotes to inspect 5 bridges in town as required per CT DOT. WMC quoted \$3,000 and Cardinal Engineering quoted \$1,000 per bridge.
Motion made, seconded and passed unanimously to recommend to the Board of Finance an expense not to exceed \$5,000 as quoted by Cardinal Engineering for bridge inspections as required by CT DOT. EDC is investigating with CT DOT possible public transportation of the Hartford bus line stop at Burlington Congregational Church’s commuter parking lot. CT DOT is open to the idea and would like to survey the residents on a regional basis looking for support. The Board discussed and agreed on a survey being done.
Shafer shared with the Board a complaint at 17 Greer Road by a group of neighbors from Greer Road and Gilbert Lane. The complaint was regarding the boyfriend of a tenant being publically disorderly. There are also blight issues on the property. The neighbors want the town to get involved and work

towards solutions. Shafer and the PZC Chair met with the residents and discussed short term solutions. There have been with interventions from the housing court, police, BBHD, ZEO and state marshals.

Salsedo-no report

Chard-no report

Zabel- on social media saw comment from Burlington Chatter of a resident requesting a dog park in town. Zabel reached out to resident suggesting they visit Parks & Recreation.

6. **Budget/Procurement** - Shafer to work with BOF to set up a joint meeting schedule to invite department heads to discuss their operating budget and capital plans. Selectman Zabel gave a brief overview on the Board of Education budget. Board reviewed sections of the 2020-2021 Town Budget.
7. **Old Business**- JMP-Shafer stated that a meeting will be held on February 13th with Parks & Rec, Landscape Architects, DPW, and Land Use to discuss possibly changing the scope of Phase 1 specifically the multiuse field.

Clear Brook Road- Shafer has given meeting dates to Senator Derek Slap inviting him to a BOS meeting along with Town Attorney and residents of interest to discuss Clear Brook Road/MDC. No dates have been secured at this time.

8. **Executive Session**- Security, Real Estate Acquisition, Personnel; Succession, Vacation, Library, Contracts: Senior Housing, Bargaining Unit.

Motion made, seconded and passed unanimously to reenter into Executive Session at 9:52PM. (Salsedo/Zabel).

Motion made, seconded and passed unanimously to conclude Executive Session and back into regular session at 10:30 PM. (Zabel/Salsedo).

9. **Adjourn** – **Motion** made, seconded and passed unanimously to adjourn meeting at 10:31PM. (Chard/Salsedo).