

**Buckland Select Board  
Monday, August 31, 2020, 6:30 p.m.  
Meeting Via Zoom**

**Listing of Topics**

Dena Called the meeting to order at 6:36 p.m. Meeting called to order again at 6:49 p.m. for Falls Cable to record.

**Attendees**

Dena Willmore - Select Board Chair  
Zachary Turner - Select Board Member  
Barry Del Castilho - Select Board Member  
Heather Butler - Buckland Town Administrator  
James Sullivan - Falls Cable  
Mary Bolduc - Boards' Clerk  
Marilyn Kelsey - Resident

**1. Appointments**

1. N/A

**2. Agenda Items**

1. STM Warrant

1. Motion by Zack to move date of STM from September 19 to September 26, 2020 so it would not conflict with Rosh Hashanah. Motion seconded by Barry. Barry "yes", Zack "yes", Dena "yes". Vote to move to September 26, 2020 unanimous.
2. Dena asked for a motion on article 1-3, all financial warrant articles not specifying a particular dollar amount. Zack so moved, seconded by Barry. No discussion. Zack voted "yes", Barry voted "yes", and Dena "yes". Motion carried unanimously.
3. Article #4, \$78,499 Funding for Stabilization Accounts. Zack moved to approve for warrant, seconded by Barry. No discussion. Zack voted "yes", Barry "yes", and Dena "yes".
4. Article #5 - Regarding General Bylaws Chapter 1 Sec. 6 to insert the words "or special " so Sec 6 reads, " Any or all of these by-laws may be repealed or amended, or other by-laws may be adopted at an annual **or special** town meeting, an article or articles for that purpose having been inserted in the warrant for such meeting; or take any action relating thereto." Zack moved to approve for warrant. . Barry seconded. Discussion followed over the language of "may" vs "shall" and its impact on STM vs ATM. Barry voted "no". Zack voted "yes", Dena voted "yes". Motion carried for article to appear on warrant 2 -1.
5. Article #6 - Regarding General Bylaws Chapter II to see if the town will vote to change the ATM from the first Wednesday of May to the first

**Saturday** of May (Sec. 3), and the annual town meeting for the election of town officers from the first Monday of May to the first **Tuesday** of May of each year (Sec.4). Sec 5 will be changed to read **ten o'clock a.m.** Article 6 also adds Sec. 7 which provides for at least one day of early voting prior to election day at the discretion of the Town Clerk. Zack moved to approve the warrant article, seconded by Barry. Barry voted "yes", Zack "yes", and Dena "yes".

6. Article #7 - This article pertains to receipts from the Town Clerk's office going to the general treasury and the position of Town Clerk becoming an appointed vs elected position. Zack moved for this article to be removed from the STM warrant but to be put on the ATM warrant. Dena seconded. Vote: Barry "yes", Zack "yes", Dena "yes".
7. Article #8 -Snow Removal- Board discussion recognizing safety issues, need for public input, and need for close monitoring of this year's conditions. Will be mindful throughout winter and revisit for next year. Barry moved to remove from STM warrant. seconded by Zack. Vote: Zack, "yes", Barry, "yes", Dena, "yes".
8. Article #9 - To see if Town will move to amend the General Bylaws , Chapter XI Dog Bylaws - Dena explained that the animal control officer is housed within the Sheriff's Department. These are those rules which will replace Buckland's existing Dog Bylaws in their entirety. Discussion on fees collected. Barry moved to accept language as written, seconded by Zack. . Vote: Barry, "yes. Zack, "yes", Dena, "yes". Because above Articles #7 and #8 were voted to not appear on the STM Warrant, this article became Article #7.
9. Article #10- To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaws to rename the Board of Selectmen as the Select Board and, for such purposes, to replace the words "Board of Selectmen" or "Selectmen" with "Select Board" and "Selectman" with "Select Board Member", and to authorize the Town Clerk to make non-substantive ministerial revisions to ensure that gender and number issues in related text is revised to properly reflect such change in title; or take any action relating thereto. Zack moved to approve for warrant, seconded by Barry. Vote: Barry, "yes", Zack."yes", Dena, "yes". Because of previous articles voted to not be on STM Warrant, this became Article #8.
10. Article #11 - To Establish The West County Senior District - Zack moved to remove from the STM warrant, seconded by Barry. Discussion followed. Heather read concerns expressed by town counsel, primarily focusing on the governing body's ability to to enter contracts and make financial decisions. Board members stated their concerns and felt that more needed to be resolved before being taken to the town for a vote. Vote: Barry, "yes", Zack, "yes", Dena, "yes". Article removed from warrant.
11. Article #12 - To see if the Town will vote to participate in the Mohawk Trial Woodland Partnership - Barry moved to include in STM warrant, seconded by Zack. Vote: Barry, "yes, Zack, "yes", Dena, "yes". Because

of previous articles voted to not be on STM Warrant, this became Article #9.

**3. Documents to Sign**

1. N/A

Marilyn Kelsey thanked the Board for removing the Senior Center Article from STM Warrant. Barry moved to adjourn, seconded by Zack. Vote: Barry, "yes", Zack, "yes", Dena, yes". Meeting adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Mary Bolduc, Boards' Clerk, October 4, 2020