

BUCKLAND SELECTBOARD
NOTICE OF MEETING
Buckland Town Hall
17 State Street
Tuesday, September 24, 2019, 5:30 p.m.

Listing of Topics

1. Appointments

5:30 p.m. Linda Overing, Breezeway Consulting, CDBG Program
6:00 p.m. Whit Sanford, Holiday Decorating

2. Agenda Items

- a. Approve Special Town Meeting Warrant
- b. Feedback to Senior Center Expansion Committee
- c. Highway Facility Update

3. Documents to Sign

- a. Selectboard Meeting Minutes: August 13, 2019
- b. Use of Town Hall, MA Division of Ecological Restoration, October 8, 2019

4. Town Administrator Updates

5. Items Not Reasonably Anticipated by Chair 48 Hours in Advance of Meeting

6. Public Comment:

7. Volunteer Recognition:

8. Announcements

9. Anticipated executive session in accordance with G.L. c. 30A, §21(a)(1), to discuss complaints or charges brought against, a public officer, employee, staff member or individual.

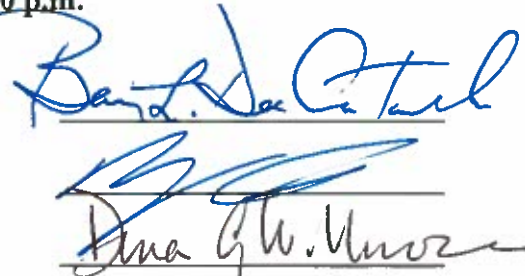
10. Adjourn the Meeting

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Barry L. Del Castilho

Zachary J. Turner

Dena G. Willmore



Attendees: Barry Del Castilho, Zack Turner, Dena Willmore, Heather Butler, Mike Carter (GCG Associates, Inc.), Dan Fleuriel, Marilyn Kelsey, Rebekah Mcdermott (Shelburne Falls Water District), Linda Overing (Breezeway Farm Consulting), James Sullivan (Falls Cable), Whit Sanford

Zack Turner opened the meeting at 5:30 p.m..

1. Appointments

5:30 p.m., Linda Overing, Breezeway Consulting, CDBG Program – Linda Overing indicated that last year, the Select Board approved reprogramming money left from the Green Street Project to the Lower Ashfield Street Project. Hired GCG Associates, Inc.. Got input from residents, the Shelburne Falls Water District and the Shelburne Falls Sewer District. Mike Carter, CGC Associates, said the project involves looping the water main to tie into the existing water mains. Will run new water main up the street, jack under the railroad tracks (permitted for one year), and reconstruction of the road to include new curbing, reconstruction of sidewalks (same width as it is a major roadway). New water services to houses; fix leaning wall. Estimate of \$557,000 for construction costs, 10% engineering, grant administration, 10% contingency, for an estimate of \$681,000, if approved. Heather Butler indicated this project could dovetail with Complete Streets; makes for a stronger application. Rebekah Mcdermott said Ashfield Street is the last puzzle piece for tanks in Buckland/Shelburne on Walker Road (a 500,000-gallon tank); 12" pipe will improve flow; it will benefit the Salmon Falls building. Dan Fleuriel said it would be good to get drainage issues squared away. Linda Overing indicated Phase II of the William Street Project is fully funded as is the Food Pantry.

Mike Carter, Dan Fleuriel, Rebekah Mcdermott, and Linda Overing left the meeting at 5:51 p.m..

2. Agenda Items

a. **Approve Special Town Meeting Warrant** – Barry Del Castilho moved to approve the Special Town Meeting Warrant; Dena Willmore seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor.

Whit Sanford entered the meeting at 5:55 p.m..

6:00 p.m., Whit Sanford – Holiday Decorating – Whit Sanford said GSFABA would like to renew the holiday decorations, and a group has been meeting since January. It is costly, could be phased in a two-three year period. Next phase is the lamp post decorations along the river railing; put up swirly stars. Possibility of a State grant for up to \$15,000 through the Commonwealth Fund; crowd funding source is required; they will match up to \$15,000. Dena Willmore moved we prepare a letter of support for GSFABA for lighting for the Village of Shelburne Falls; Barry Del Castilho seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor.

b. **Feedback to Senior Center Expansion Committee** – Barry Del Castilho indicated there is State money for a Project Coordinator. Towns could contribute toward the salary. Operating costs for a new site could be \$24,000 additionally annually to the Town of Buckland. Discussion about ownership. Dena Willmore suggested a Senior Center without walls saying we have an excess of square footage in the towns. Barry Del Castilho indicated a need for feedback for sites saying Bob Manners urged looking at the Church/Mechanic Street site. Others suggested the Masonic Hall, the Buckland Police Station. Zack Turner will attend the meeting on Thursday.

c. **Highway Facility Update** – Dena Willmore said there are no Change Orders tonight. Walls are up, windows are in the main building. Skins going on next week. Very close to the bid budget-wise. Regarding the underground tank issue, Heather Butler said Cabot Risk said there is no liability. The tank was removed in good shape; no harm. Dena Willmore indicated it cost close to \$50,000 plus legal fees. She suggested a letter from Town Counsel about the undisclosed storage tank. Heather Butler will contact Town Counsel.

Whit Sanford left the meeting at 6:42 p.m..

3. **Documents to Sign**

a. **Selectboard Meeting Minutes – August 13, 2019** – Barry Del Castilho moved to sign the August 13, 2019 Meeting Minutes; Dena Willmore seconded. Barry Del Castilho – yes, Dena Willmore – yes; Zack Turner abstained.

b. **Use of Town Hall, MA Division of Ecological Restoration, October 8, 2019** – Dena Willmore moved to approve the Use of Town Hall; Barry Del Castilho seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor.

4. **Town Administrator Updates** – Heather Butler reported she contacted PanAm regarding the railroad crossing on Ashfield Street; needs to be repaired before snow season. Meeting regarding the Upper Street Project tomorrow. Waiting for Verizon to remove old poles for William Street Project. Green Communities – Citelum representatives have begun the audit. Purchase and sale agreement being reviewed by Town Counsel. Pay-As-You-Throw/Landfill – LaBelle's Sales and Service and Buckland Public Library will be selling stickers. Landfill Remediation – getting two additional quotes. Land owner near site is gauging Town's interest in buying a piece of land. New compactor to be installed this week. Community Compact IT Grant – proposing request of funds to install cameras at Wastewater Treatment Facility. Fiscal Year Closeout – New Finance Team met today for timeline of Fiscal Year closeout. OPEB report is done. Put \$20,000 appropriation into a bond that will serve our trust. Highway Position – Screening Committee meeting next week.

5. **Items Not Reasonably Anticipated by Chair 48 Hours in Advance of Meeting** – None.

6. **Public Comment** – Marilyn Kelsey said it is sometimes hard to get copies of handouts at Senior Center meetings. Spoke to Fire Chiefs about basements in Senior Centers. Asked about costs relating to basements.

7. **Volunteer Recognition** – Maureen O'Reilly, Recorder Reporter

8. **Announcements** – Bridge of Flowers 90th Birthday Celebration, Saturday, October 5, 2019

9. Anticipated Executive Session pursuant to and in accordance with Massachusetts G.L. c. 30A§21(a)(1) to discuss complaints or charges brought against a public officer, employee, staff member or individual – Not held.

At 7:30 p.m., Dena Willmore moved to adjourn; Barry Del Castilho seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor. Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m..