

**BUCKLAND SELECTBOARD**  
**NOTICE OF MEETING**  
**Buckland Town Hall**  
**17 State Street**  
**Tuesday, April 23, 2019, 5:30 p.m.**

**Listing of Topics**

**1. Appointments**

5:30 p.m., Linda Overing Re: Award of Lower Ashfield Street Engineering  
5:45 p.m., Mike McCusker Re: Historical Museum – Request for Annual Appropriation  
6:00 p.m., Senior Center Expansion Committee

**2. Agenda Items**

- a. Update: Fiscal Year 2020 Budget
- b. Update on Town Administrator Search
- c. Vote: Town Meeting Warrant Articles
- d. Possible Dog Hearing

**3. Documents to Sign**

- a. Annual Town Meeting Warrant
- b. Annual Town Election Warrant
- c. Selectboard Meeting Minutes – March 26, 2019
- d. Parade Permit – Cub Scout Pack 85 – July 4, 2019
- e. Street Use Permit – GSABA – Bridge of Flowers Road Race, August 10, 2019
- f. Street Use Permit – GSABA – Closure of Depot Street, August 10, 2019
- g. Letter of Support – Mass DOT – Bridge of Flowers Road Race – Bridge Closure

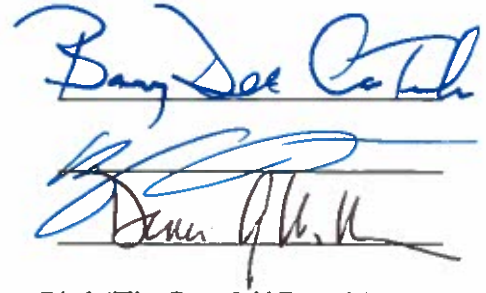
- 4. Town Administrator Updates
- 5. Items Not Reasonably Anticipated by Chair 48 Hours in Advance of Meeting
- 6. Public Comment
- 7. Volunteer Recognition
- 8. Announcements
- 9. Adjourn the Meeting

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Barry L. Del Castilho

Zachary J. Turner

Dena G. Willmore



Attendees: Barry Del Castilho, Zack Turner, Dena Willmore, Grace Bird (*The Greenfield Recorder*), Cathy Buntin, Paula Consolo, Ellen Eller, Marilyn Kelsey, Donna Liebl, Mike McCusker, Linda Overing, David Parrella, Sylvia Smith, Joanne Soroka, James Sullivan (Falls Cable Access), Marti Taft-Ferguson, Martha Thurber

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

**1. Appointments**

**5:30 p.m., Linda Overing Re: Award of Lower Ashfield Street Engineering** – Linda Overing indicated the RFP was for engineering and design for a possible future CDBG project; two proposals were submitted – and both under budget. Zack Turner moved to award the design and engineering for lower Ashfield Street to GCG Associates, Inc., in the amount of \$39,370.00; Dena Willmore seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor.

Dena Willmore moved we authorize the Selectboard Chair to sign the documents for the Lower Ashfield Street potential project; Barry Del Castilho seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor.

Grace Bird entered the meeting at 5:36 p.m.. Linda Overing left the meeting at 5:37 p.m.. Mike McCusker entered the meeting at 5:39 p.m..

**2. Agenda Items**

a. **Update: Fiscal Year 2020 Budget** – Dena Willmore reported the only outstanding issue was the Senior Center request. Dena Willmore moved we accept the budget as presented by the Finance Committee; Zack Turner seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor.

b. **Update on Town Administrator Search** – Barry Del Castilho reported there are two interviews tomorrow. Will set up second interviews with the Selectboard early in May.

**5:45 p.m., Mike McCusker Re: Historical Society Museum – Request for Annual**

**Appropriation** – Mike McCusker indicated the Historical Society Museum is a town-owned museum. There is no town appropriation to maintain the building. New lights and ceiling were installed last year. The electric service was old knob and tube, and it was upgraded. Downspouts and gutters need work; have to deal with slate roof repairs. Asking for a reasonable yearly appropriation. Dena Willmore suggested a fundraising campaign to pay for the electric costs as the work was done a year ago; she also suggested meeting with the Finance Committee to discuss a capital plan.

d. **Possible Dog Hearing** – Scheduled for Tuesday, May 14, 2019, at 5:30 p.m..

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c. Selectboard Meeting Minutes – March 26, 2019 – Dena Willmore moved to sign the Meeting Minutes; Barry Del Castilho seconded. VOTED unanimously in favor.

6:00 p.m., Senior Center Expansion Committee – Donna Liebl indicated Buckland's population of residents aged 60+ will double by 2030 – 40% of Buckland's population. Mike McCusker spoke about the lack of toilets, private space for confidential conversations, and that three programs may be going on at the same time at the present Senior Center location - bad for acoustics. Joanne Soroka said kitchen space is minimal. Cathy Buntin indicated that operating costs will be kept as low as possible with a new space. Sylvia Smith indicated we need a site before we offer services to other communities. Dena Willmore suggested contacting other towns willing to commit to a new Senior Center would make a big difference.

Paula Consolo entered the meeting at 6:12 p.m.. Cathy Buntin, Ellen Eller, Donna Liebl, Mike McCusker, Sylvia Smith, and Joanne Soroka left the meeting at 6:25 p.m.. David Parrella and Martha Thurber entered the meeting at 6:28 p.m..

5. Items Not Reasonably Anticipated by Chair 48 Hours in Advance of Meeting – Martha Thurber spoke about Mohawk Regional School's unanticipated shortfall of \$700,000 – much of this is due to Special Education expenditures for out-of-district tuition costs. Eleven additional positions were added such as a math teacher, an assistant principal at Buckland Shelburne Elementary School, were added because the District was informed by the previous Business Manager that there was enough money to cover these positions. The District has reserves to cover the shortfall; it will take years to rebuild the reserve funds. The total School Budget is \$20million; we built the Fiscal Year 2020 budget from scratch.

David Parrella and Martha Thurber left the meeting at 6:46 p.m..

a. Annual Town Meeting Warrant – Barry Del Castilho moved to sign the Annual Town Meeting Warrant; Dena Willmore seconded. VOTED unanimously in favor.

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c. Vote: Town Meeting Warrant Articles – Dena Willmore moved to recommend approval of Articles 1, 2, and 3; Barry Del Castilho seconded. VOTED unanimously in favor. Dena Willmore moved to approve Article 4; Barry Del Castilho seconded. VOTED unanimously in favor. Dena Willmore moved to approve Article 5; Barry Del Castilho seconded. VOTED unanimously in favor. Dena Willmore moved to support Article 6; Barry Del Castilho seconded. VOTED unanimously in favor. Barry Del Castilho moved to support Article 7; Dena Willmore seconded. VOTED unanimously in favor. Barry Del Castilho moved to support Article 8; Dena Willmore seconded. VOTED unanimously in favor. Barry Del Castilho moved to support Article 9; Dena Willmore seconded. VOTED unanimously in favor. Dena Willmore moved to support Article 10; Barry Del Castilho seconded. VOTED unanimously in favor. Dena Willmore moved to support Article 11; Barry Del Castilho seconded. VOTED unanimously in favor. Dena Willmore moved to support Article 12; Barry Del Castilho seconded. VOTED unanimously in favor. Dena Willmore moved to support Article 13; Barry Del Castilho seconded. VOTED unanimously in favor. Dena Willmore moved to support Article 14; Barry Del Castilho seconded. VOTED unanimously in favor. Barry Del Castilho moved to support Article 15; Dena Willmore seconded. VOTED unanimously in favor. Barry Del Castilho moved to support Article 16; Dena Willmore seconded. VOTED unanimously in favor. Dena Willmore moved to support Article 17; Barry Del Castilho seconded. VOTED unanimously in favor. Barry Del Castilho moved to support Article 18; Dena Willmore seconded. Barry Del Castilho – yes; Zack Turner – yes; Dena Willmore – no. Barry Del

Castilho moved to support Article 19; Dena Willmore seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor. Dena Willmore moved to support Article 20; Barry Del Castilho seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor. Barry Del Castilho moved we refer Article 22 back to the Selectboard; come back with some sort of forum; Dena Willmore seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor.

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d. **Parade Permit – Cub Scout Pack 85 – July 4, 2019** – Barry Del Castilho moved to sign the Parade Permit; Dena Willmore seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor.

e. **Street Use Permit – GSFABA – Bridge of Flowers Road Race, August 10, 2019** – Barry Del Castilho moved to sign the Street Use Permit; Dena Willmore seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor.

f. **Street Use Permit – GSFABA – Closure of Depot Street, August 10, 2019** – Barry Del Castilho moved to sign the Street Use Permit; Dena Willmore seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor.

g. **Letter of Support, Mass DOT – Bridge of Flowers Road Race – Bridge Closure** – Dena Willmore moved to sign the Letter of Support; Barry Del Castilho seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor.

4. **Town Administrator Updates** – Nicholas Bulens will be here tomorrow to review the Mass Works Project on Upper Street. Landfill Cap Repair – Apex did work on the project last fall. Lost a key person. Shared Highway Mechanic – Shelburne's Town Administrator indicated this is being postponed until next year. FRCOG – Continuing work on a regional Animal Control Officer. Complete Streets – Working with FRCOG and will resubmit. Municipality Vulnerability Project – Submitted a request for \$40,000 – Engineering of stream bed at Rec Area.

6. **Public Comment** – Marilyn Kelsey spoke term limits with regard to Council On Aging. Paula Consolo spoke to the eleven positions added in the school district.

7. **Volunteer Recognition** – Ben Murray for his work on the budget sheets.

8. **Announcements** – Annual Town Election is May 6, 2019; Annual Town Meeting is May 8, 2019; Bulky Waste Day is May 18, 2019 at Mohawk.

At 7:42 p.m., Dena Willmore moved to adjourn; Barry Del Castilho seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor. Meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m..