1. Call to order................................................................. 6:00 p.m.

2. Pledge of allegiance.

3. Consider approving agenda.

4. Consider approving December 18 meeting minutes.

5. Announcements.

6. Receive guests (for non-agenda items).

7. Executive session (labor contract); action possible.


10. Plan for Budget Committee member interviews and appointments.

11. Review proposed personnel policy (time permitting).


14. Joint meeting with Barre City Council................................................................. 7:00 p.m.
   a. Presentation by Barre Area Development
   b. Presentation by Barre Partnership
   c. Presentation by Aldrich Library

15. Adjourn.

THIS MEETING WILL BE AIRED ON CVTV CHANNEL 194 –
Fri., Jan. 4 @ 3, 7 & 10:00 pm and Sat., Jan. 5 @ 6 & 9 am, 12:00 noon.

Past Selectboard meetings can be seen at www.barretown.org, "Selectboard" page.
3. **Agenda** – Vote on a motion to approve the agenda: a) as presented; b) with an addition or additional detail; c) with a deletion; or d) some combination of b and c.

4. **Minutes** – Donna’s minutes of the December 18, 2018 meeting are enclosed.

5. **Announcements** – Elaine’s announcements are enclosed.

7. **Executive Session** – (labor contract).

8. **The Chain Contract** -
   a) **Guests** – No one expected.
   b) **Enclosure** – Bid report sheet.
   c) **Background** – This is an annual contract for tire chain parts. The chains are used on the DPW’s plow trucks. There is $16,000 for tire chains in the Equipment Fund budget. Bidding specs were sent to 8 companies. As you can see, we received 2 bids. McLeods was the low bidder. For the quantity we estimated McLeods bid is under budget. Mike Martel recommends buying from McLeods.
   d) **Recommendation/Action** – Please adopt a motion awarding the 2018-2019 tire chain contract to McLeods based on their unit price bids totaling $15,162.

9. **Loader Financing** – The net cost of the loader was $132,692. We are paying for it, at least initially, out of the Equipment Fund. If you approve this finance plan, we would have the General Fund “loan” the money to the Equipment Fund in January 2019.

   I suggest a 5-year term as was originally planned for the loader purchase (in the Equipment Purchase Plan for year 2020-2021). Because the Equipment Fund has nothing budgeted for a loader payment this fiscal year, the re-payments would start December 31, 2019. The payment amounts shown below are based on an interest rate of 3.75%, which is lower than what we were quoted in November but greater than what the General Fund cash accounts are earning. On December 31, 2019 – 2023 the Equipment Fund would make a payment as shown below. The annual payment is $1,216.03 less than we anticipated for year 2020-2021 in the Equipment Purchase Plan.

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   Please vote to approve the General Fund loaning the Equipment Fund $132,692 for purchase of a loader and said amount to be re-paid over 5 years, beginning December 31, 2019, with interest charged at the rate of 3.75%.

10. **Budget Committee** -
    a) **Guests** – No one expected.
    b) **Enclosure** – Emails of interest from Justin Bolduc, Alan Garceau, Cedric Sanborn, Dwayne Tucker, Andrew McAvoy, and Philip Cecchini.
    c) **Background** – You will appoint two committee members. The letters enclosed were submitted for your consideration. Donna will appoint one member, who could be, but need not be, an applicant. The deadline for applications to be submitted was 4:30 p.m. on Friday, December 28.
    d) **Recommendation/Action** – Discuss what procedure you want to use for considering these applicants: talk to each on your own or do interviews during the meeting? If you interview applicants do you want to interview everyone or just people who haven’t served before? I suggest you plan to make your appointments during the January 8 meeting.

11. **Personnel Policy** -