BARRE TOWN SELECTBOARD AGENDA
March 3, 2015

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The duly warned meeting of the Barre Town Selectboard of March 3, 2015 was held at the Barre Town Municipal Building, Selectboard Room, Lower Websterville at 8:03 p.m. The following members were in attendance: Robert LaClair, Rolland Tessier, W. John “Jack” Mitchell, Tom White, and Jeff Blow.

Attendance for the regular meeting included: Town Manager Carl Rogers, Assistant Town Manager Andrew Dorsett, Assistant Town Clerk Deborah Lefebvre, George Clain and Cedric Sanborn.

CALL TO ORDER - The meeting was called to order at 8:03 p.m.

The PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was recited by those present.

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA
None

MINUTES

On a motion by Tessier, seconded by White, the Selectboard voted unanimously to approve the Selectboard Meeting minutes of February 24, 2015 with the following change: Page 4, Under “Approve 2015 Certificate of Highway Mileage”, third line. “There are no changes this year except (instead of expect).”

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Barre Town’s Budget Committee meets every Tuesday, 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. in the lower level conference room (Municipal Building) through March 31st. Check the Town’s website for completed budgets. And remember, while the Budget Committee is active the Selectboard meetings will begin at 8:00 p.m.

- This year’s 17th annual Freezing Fun for Families softball tournament fundraiser will be held March 6 – 8, 2015 at the Barre Town Recreation fields. Expect heavy traffic around the school during the event especially on Saturday. This year
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Proceeds will be donated to 14 year old Jacob Gorton (Bristol, VT) and 5 month old Micah Legacy (Morrisville, VT), both are in treatment for rare forms of cancer. For more information or to make a donation call Corey at (802) 279-3632.

- The Fire Department's rabies clinic will be held Saturday, March 14, 2015 from 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. at the South Barre Fire Station. Dogs must be on a leash and cats must be in a carrier. The fee is $14 per pet. The Town Clerk will be at the clinic to license Barre Town dogs.

- To receive an adjustment on property taxes eligible homestead owners must file a Homestead Declaration claim, using form HS-122, annually, by April 15th. For more information contact the Vermont Department of Taxes at 1-866-282-2865.

- The Barre Recreation Commission with Washington County Forester, Dan Singleton is holding a free apple tree pruning & grafting workshop, on Saturday March 28th. Space is limited and filling up fast. To reserve your spot call the Town Office at 479-9331.

- Town Reports for Fiscal Year 2013-2014 are now available. They are available at the Town Office, as well as Graniteville General Store, Morgan's East Barre Market, Lawson's Store, Brookside Country Store, Trow Hill Grocery, Quarry Hill Quick Stop and Hannaford's.

- For more information on any of these announcements visit www.barretown.org.

GUESTS - None

CONSIDER RECOMMENDATION (POSITION ON) AT&T MOBILITY/AMERICAN TOWER CO'S CELL PHONE TOWER FACILITY PROPOSAL FOR FISHER ROAD

Background: Selectboard has heard about this proposed tower and appurtenant building and equipment. Most recently there was a joint Selectboard, Planning Commission meeting on February 18 at which the tower proposal was presented in more detail. You are now at the point of deciding what, if any, input the Selectboard (possibly in conjunction with the planning commission) will give the VT Public Service Board.

Subjects questioned by the Planning Commission February 18 include:

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<td>Lighting on Tower</td>
<td>Yield to FAA</td>
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<td>Planned gate but no fence</td>
<td>Leave to applicants and landowner</td>
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<td>Required underground electric power</td>
<td>Per minutes, Planning Commission favor underground</td>
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<td>lines instead of overhead</td>
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<td>Primary power (GMP's responsibility)</td>
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<td>Containment for generator fuel leak</td>
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Cedric Sanborn, Chair of the Planning Commission was present and expressed the commission's interest in doing a joint letter with the Selectboard summarizing the points listed above. There was some discussion about GMP having access to the site
so that they may maintain power and lines. Jeff Blow felt we need to be careful about wording of anything that addresses that topic in the letter, as the Town has no involvement with that, it is between the applicant and the land owner and GMP.

On a motion by White, seconded by Mitchell, the Selectboard voted to send a joint letter from the Selectboard and the Planning Commission, based on the bullet points above. Any mention of the GMP access would be in the form of food for thought.

SCHEDULE ZONING BY-LAW PUBLIC HEARINGS

Background: After adoption and approval of the Town Plan last summer the Planning Commission began work on zoning by-law amendments suggested in the Plan. The Planning Commission voted to approve the by-law amendments at its meeting on January 21, 2015. The amendment and state required report were submitted to my office (for you) on February 16, 2015. That is an important date because sometime between 15 and 120 days from that date you must hold “the first of one or more public hearings” about the zoning by-law amendments. State law requires at least 15 days notice of the public hearing. With the lead time the newspaper needs, the earliest you could hold a hearing is 3 weeks from the night you pick a first hearing date. Adoption has to come “at a meeting that is held after the final public hearing”. You can hold more than one hearing. You must hold additional hearings, if you make substantial changes to the proposed by-law or if you make any change less than 14 days before the final public hearing.

On a motion by LaClair, seconded by White the Selectboard unanimously voted to schedule a public hearing on the zoning by-law amendments for April 21st, with a second for April 28th if needed.

Chris Violette would be asked to present the zoning by-law amendments on March 31st.

CONSIDER APPROVING DESIGNATED TRUCK ROUTES FOR PERMIT YEAR 4/1/2015-3/31/2016

Background: By state law overweight truck permits expire March 31. Trucking companies are lining up to get their ’15-’16 permits. No changes to the list of permitted roads are proposed. The proposed forms add town contact information and request the trucking company’s fax number. The’14-’15 form listed the permitted roads, the roads for which a permit isn’t required and a reminder about Miller, Holden and Bridge Street all in one box. To draw attention to the "off limits" roads we are trying separate boxes.

On a motion by Tessier, seconded by LaClair, the Selectboard unanimously approved the 2015-2016 truck permit forms for both single permits and fleet permits.

CONSIDER APPOINTING DELEGATE AND ALTERNATE DELEGATE TO C.V.SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Background: Solid Waste District board appointments are for one year. It is time for appointments. The District’s annual reorganization meeting is April 1. We should submit the appointment form well before that meeting.

Barre Town’s delegate is Fred Thumm. Fred is chairman of District’s Board of Supervisors. Jack Mitchell is the alternate delegate. Both want to be re-appointed to their respective positions.

Fred Thumm has served as the delegate for approximately 10 years and has been Chairman for several of those years.
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On a motion by LaClair, seconded by Tessier, the Selectboard unanimously approved Fred Thumm as the Town’s delegate to the CVSWMD and Jack Mitchell as the alternate delegate.

WEEKLY ACCOUNTS PAYABLE WARRANT

On a motion by Mitchell, seconded by LaClair, the Selectboard voted to approve the accounts payable warrant for March 3, 2015. Blow and Tessier removed themselves from the vote based on a potential conflict of interest.

MISCELLANEOUS

None

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White- Thank you to all those who came out today to vote.
Tessier- Repeated the same Thank You
LaClair- Offered a brief legislative update. Now working on bill H40 which deals with renewable energy. There is a lot to be considered with this bill, especially with regards to energy credit system. He is enjoying the work, but believes the real heavy lifting will begin next week.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On a motion by Mitchell, seconded by White, the Selectboard voted unanimously to find the need for executive session where premature public knowledge would put the Town at a disadvantage.

On a motion by Tessier, seconded by LaClair, the Selectboard voted unanimously to go into executive session to discuss labor contract negotiations, and personnel and legal at 8:38 p.m.

On a motion by Tessier, seconded by White, the Selectboard voted unanimously to come out of executive session at 10:15 p.m.

ADJOURN

On a motion by Tessier, seconded by White, the Selectboard voted unanimously to adjourn at 10:15 p.m.

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Deborah Lefebvre, Assistant Town Clerk  Selectboard Chair

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