BARRE TOWN SELECTBOARD AGENDA
May 24, 2016

P.I.O.T. - Review work list 6:30 p.m.

1. Call to order 7:00 p.m.
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Consider approving agenda.
4. Consider approving May 17, 2016 meeting minutes.
5. Announcements
6. Receive guests (for non-agenda items).
7. Consider authorizing signing of mortgage discharge of Central Vermont Community Land Trust housing rehabilitation loan.
8. Consider options for commemorative plaque on Bridge Street bridge.
9. Consider approving weekly accounts payable warrants.
10. Miscellaneous: permits and licenses, if any.
11. "Round the table"
12. Executive session: if needed

BARRE TOWN SELECTBOARD MINUTES
May 24, 2016

The duly warned meeting of the Barre Town Selectboard of May 24, 2016 was scheduled to be held at the Barre Town Municipal Building, Selectboard Room, in Lower Websterville at 7:00 p.m.

The following members were in attendance: Tom White, Rob LaClair, W. John "Jack" Mitchell, Paul White, and Rolland Tessier.

Others attending were: Town Manager Carl Rogers, Town Clerk-Treasurer Donna J. Kelty, and Assistant Town Manager Elaine Wang.

CALL TO ORDER - The meeting was called to order at 7:23 p.m.

The PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was recited by those present.

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

On a motion by Tessier, seconded by Paul White, the Selectboard voted to approve the agenda as amended.

MINUTES

On a motion by Tessier, seconded by Mitchell, the Selectboard voted to approve the Selectboard meeting minutes of May 17, 2016 as amended.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. The Barre Town Offices will be closed Memorial Day, May 30, 2016.

2. The Barre Town Lawn Waste Site hours are Wednesdays, 3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m., Thursdays, 9:00 a.m. - Noon, and Saturdays, 8:00 a.m. - Noon.

3. The Barre Town Recreation Department presents Spring into Summer Fest on June 4, 2016, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Barre Town Recreation Area off Websterville Road. A craft show, Olympic-style challenge, real bounce house, Touch-A-Truck Fundraiser and much more will be available. For more information call the Town offices at 479-9331.
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4. The Barre Town and Barre City Recreation Departments are sponsoring Barre Youth Track Team again this summer. Girls and boys ages 7 – 14 may join. Practices are twice a week from June 13 to July 21 at Spaulding High School Track. For more information call the Barre City Rec. Department at 476-0257.

5. Tennis lessons will be offered in June starting June 14. Lessons for boys and girls grades 3 to 6 are mornings, Tuesday through Friday, and lessons for adults 7th grade and up are evenings, Tuesday through Thursday. Registration forms and more information are on the Town website on the Recreation page.

6. June 4, 2016, there will be a Cancer Survivor Celebration held in downtown Barre. Events of the day will include: 9:00 am run/walk (held at the Barre Town bike path), parade at 1:30 p.m. (Main Street, Barre City), and an Italian dinner and auction at the Barre Elks Club (6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.). Proceeds will benefit the Vermont Cancer Survivor Network. For more information visit their website (www.cancersurvivorcelebration.org).

GUESTS - None

CENTRAL VT COMMUNITY LAND TRUST - MORTGAGE DISCHARGE

Background: In 2001 the Central Vermont Community Land Trust (CVCLT), now known as Downstreet Housing and Community Development, took a $12,500 rehabilitation loan. CVCLT had purchased the Bridge Street (Corey) Mobile Home Park and used the rehab loan to make repairs and improvements. Downstreet paid off the loan earlier this month. The Town Attorney prepared the discharge and the Manager is requesting authorization to sign the mortgage discharge.

On a motion by LaClair, seconded by Tessier, the Selectboard voted to authorize the Town Manager to sign a Mortgage Discharge for the Central Vermont Community Land Trust mortgage deed recorded in the Barre Town Land Records Book 165, Page 324.

COMMEMORATIVE PLAQUE ON BRIDGE STREET BRIDGE

Background: Prior to the meeting the Selectboard received draft language for the commemorative plaque to be placed on the Bridge Street bridge. It was not clear as to whether the Board wanted to rename the bridge or to dedicate in the memory of Gordon Booth.

The Board preference is to use granite for the plaque (polished gray with black lettering) and to dedicate the bridge “in memory of” Gordon J. Booth (use the middle initial). The Manager will obtain some pricing and details on how it will be affixed to the bridge.

WEEKLY ACCOUNTS PAYABLE WARRANT

On a motion by Tessier, seconded by LaClair, the Selectboard voted to approve the Accounts Payable warrant for the week of May 24, 2016.

MISCELLANEOUS

Assistant Manager Wang thanked the 33 volunteers who finished the Trow Hill Playground equipment installation. The work was completed in 2 days (instead of the 3 planned) thanks to the Boy Scouts, American Legion, Recreation Board members, Town Manager, DPW and Recreation crews, and the many, many businesses which donated their time, equipment, and expertise. To date the Town has a renovated $70,000 playground for the cost of $41,000. Thanks to everyone.
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Rogers reminded the Selectboard there will be a special meeting on Thursday, June 30, 2016, 6:30 p.m. for the purpose of setting the tax rate for fiscal year 2016-2017.

The Central Vermont Solid Waste Management District will be holding a public hearing on Tuesday May 31st regarding an ordinance update. Mitchell noted that many of the changes will reflect some of the Act 148 requirements.

ROUND THE TABLE

Mitchell noted that Project Graduation raised $938.64 in donations during this past Bulk Trash Collection event. Last year the Selectboard donated additional funds to make their contribution an even $1,000.00.

On a motion by Mitchell, seconded by Tessier, the Selectboard voted unanimously to donate $61.36 to Project Graduation; said funds are to come from the Selectboard budget account.

Mitchell stated he would also like to add an item to the Board’s “To Do List” – meet with the Barre Town School Board. Discussion items would include busing, Act 46 (school consolidation), and the paving of the school parking lot. He also noted that the Town needs to decide at some point on whether or not a generator should be installed so the facility can be used as an emergency shelter.

Paul White stated he will be absent next week and will also be very disappointed to miss the interview of Jeff Blow for the Traffic Safety Advisory Committee (TSAC) position.

On that note, Mr. White Stated he had been on TSAC for 17 years and is taking this moment to remind Selectboard members the TSAC is composed of members with decades of experience. When a recommendation is presented to the Selectboard, they should be aware that decisions are made based on a site visit, public hearings, and engineering studies. TSAC’s ultimate goal is for public safety and to reduce future liability for the Town.

Tessier read in the Manager’s weekly notes that the new Police Car will not be ready until August and inquired if this would be a problem. Rogers stated it will create some minor inconveniences which can be easily remedied.

Tessier stated he would like to have an organization to collect donations at the Fall Bulk Trash event. Other Board members agreed noting there is plenty of time to advertise.

Speaking of Bulk Trash, LaClair reported that numerous residents expressed great pleasure during and after the Bulk Trash collection. This is one of those events that tax payers appreciate - you get good value for the dollar. White concurred noting it is a great benefit not only to the homeowner, but to neighborhoods and the community as well.

EXECUTIVE SESSION - None

ADJOURN

On a motion by LaClair, seconded by Tessier, the Selectboard voted to adjourn at 7:52 p.m.

Donna J. Kelty, Town Clerk-Treasurer

Selectboard Chair

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