BARRE TOWN SELECTBOARD AGENDA
November 8, 2016

1. Call to order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Consider approving agenda
4. Consider approving November 1, 2016 meeting minutes
5. Announcements
6. Receive guests (for non-agenda items)
7. Consider approving snowplowing cooperation letter to the Town of Orange
8. Consider authorizing closing part of Sterling Hill Road for winter
9. Consider T.S.A.C. recommendation for placing weight limit signs on West Road
10. Consider approving weekly accounts payable warrants.
11. Miscellaneous, including licenses and permits, if any.
12. ’Round the table

BARRE TOWN SELECTBOARD MINUTES
November 8, 2016

The duly warned meeting of the Barre Town Selectboard was scheduled and held on November 8, 2016 at the Barre Town Municipal Building, Selectboard Room, in Lower Websterville at 6:30 p.m.

The following members were in attendance: W. John "Jack" Mitchell, Paul White, Rolland Tessier, and Tom White. Robert LaClair was not present.

Others attending were: Town Manager Carl Rogers, Assistant Town Clerk Deborah Lefebvre and Asst. Town Manager Elaine Wang.

CALL TO ORDER – The meeting was called to order at 6:33 p.m.

The PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was recited by those present.

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

On a motion by Paul White, seconded by Rolland Tessier, the Selectboard voted to approve the agenda as written. LaClair was not present for the vote.

MINUTES

On a motion by Mitchell, seconded by Paul White, the Selectboard voted to approve the Selectboard meeting minutes from November 1, 2016 as amended. LaClair was not present for the vote.

1. Correct agenda to include item 11) DEED FOR WATER AND SEWER LINE, EASEMENTS-CARPENTER LANE; 12) DATA COLLECTIONS FOR RECYCLING & OTHER SOLID WASTE SERVICES. RENUMBER REST OF AGENDA ACCORDINGLY.
2. Correct the Changes to the Agenda motion to read "approve the amended agenda to move item #11 which will be heard between item 7 and 8."
3. Page 2 under Thunder Chickens item, first bullet item: strike the word fee after dead end.
4. Page 4 under Public Hearing for Websterville Fire District Water System Merger, third bullet item: clarify that the property is the trailer property next to Green Mountain Boring.
5. Under Sewer Vacuum Truck, first sentence, should read "the last two cycles": and the 5th bullet item, it should read our present unit (not until).
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6. Correct the date stamp on pages 2-6 to read November 1, 2016.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. The Central Vermont Solid Waste Management District is holding a special electronic waste collection on Tuesday November 15 to celebrate America Recycles Day. Bring your outdated TV’s, computers, keyboards, mice and other peripherals and recycle them for free at the Additional Recyclables Collection Center at 540 North Main Street Barre Vermont, behind the Dollar General. The hours will be 9am-5 pm.

2. Quarterly property taxes are due on November 15. The Clerk’s office closes at 4:30pm, but payments put in the drop box by midnight that night will still be considered on time.

3. Got leaves or brush? Bring them to the Barre Town lawn waste site while you still can. It will be open one more day on Saturday November 12, 8am to 12pm.

4. Please note that the winter on-street parking ban is effect every night, 11pm to 7am, from now until April 1st.

5. The fabulous Barre Recreation Board photo calendars are now available for $10 each from the town office, Lawson’s Store in Websterville, and Quarry Hill Quick Stop on Quarry Hill Road. Proceeds benefit Barre Town Recreation.

GUESTS – None

CONSIDER APPROVING SNOWPLOWING COOPERATION LETTER TO THE TOWN OF ORANGE

Background: After Cutler Corner was paved (Ladd Road still gravel) the DPW Superintendent suggested a cooperation agreement with Orange so the Town does not have to send a sand truck to sand Ladd Road. Orange asked to add Partridge Road to the agreement and it was agreed. This winter would be the third year for this agreement.

On a motion by Paul White, seconded by Tessier, the Selectboard voted to approve the November 8, 2016, snowplowing cooperation letter with the Town of Orange. LaClair was not present for the vote.

CONSIDER AUTHORIZING CLOSING PART OF STERLING HILL ROAD FOR WINTER

Background: The steep gravel section of Sterling Hill Road is closed for the winter pursuant to the Selectboard’s authorization. The practice has been to authorize the Superintendent of Public Works to close it when weather predictions indicate road conditions would be very slippery. Once closed it remains closed for the season (so people know it is closed and don’t start down the hill and find the gate closed). When closed we will put a notice on the website and FPF.

On a motion by Tessier, seconded by Paul White the Selectboard voted to authorize the Public Works Superintendent to close Sterling Hill Road when necessary due to weather and road conditions and to keep it closed until spring when the Superintendent finds the road is ready for traffic. LaClair was not present for the vote.

CONSIDER T.S.A.C. RECOMMENDATION FOR PLACING WEIGHT LIMIT SIGNS ON WEST ROAD

Background: The Selectboard had asked T.S.A.C. to look into the matter of trucks, large trucks, using West Road. T.S.A.C. did that and recommends placing 24,000 pound weight limit signs on each end of West Road.
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On a motion by Mitchell, seconded by Paul White, the Selectboard voted to approve placing 24,000 pound weight limit signs on each end of West Road. LaClair was not present for the vote.

WEEKLY ACCOUNTS PAYABLE WARRANT

On a motion by Tessier, seconded by Paul White, the Selectboard voted to approve the Accounts Payable warrant for the week of November 8, 2016.

MISCELLANEOUS - None

ROUND THE TABLE

Mitchell would like to thank the Manager and the board for the short agenda tonight.

With the change in the need for an Act 250 permit for Northeast Materials, will the board be taking any action? Carl suggested that if the board wanted to do anything, there should be some research done, as most of the current board members were not on the board at the time the original ruling was made.

He also noted a well written article in the Washington Electric newsletter about Net Metering changes. He shared it with the board, and Paul White noted that it was also available online at the WEC website.

Paul White inquired if Chris Violette received the emails from the Regional Planning Commission. Carl believes, yes he does.

Tessier thanked the staff, volunteers and voters for the smooth election process today and for the large turnout. It would be nice to see that kind of turnout at all the elections.

Tom White also shared the same thanks to all who participated in the election.

ADJOURN

On a motion by Tessier, seconded by Paul White, the Selectboard voted to adjourn at 6:57 pm.

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Deborah J. Lefebvre, Assistant Town Clerk  Selectboard Chair

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