BARRE TOWN SELECTBOARD AGENDA
June 7, 2016

P.I.O.T. - Site visit at Barre Area Senior Center 6:30 p.m.

1. Call to order 7:15 p.m.
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Consider approving agenda.
4. Consider approving May 31, 2016 meeting minutes.
5. Announcements
6. Receive guests (for non-agenda items).
7. Consider approving agreement accepting CDBG on behalf of Montessori School of Central Vermont.
8. Consider approving 2016 unlicensed dog warrant.
9. Presentation of Town Clerk-Treasurer’s annual financial management questionnaire.
11. Consider approving weekly accounts payable warrants.
12. Miscellaneous: permits and licenses, if any.
13. “Round the table”
14. Executive session: real estate, contractual, and personnel.
15. Adjourn.

BARRE TOWN SELECTBOARD MINUTES
June 7, 2016

The duly warned meeting of the Barre Town Selectboard of June 7, 2016 was scheduled to be held at the Barre Town Municipal Building, Selectboard Room, in Lower Websterville at 7:15 p.m.

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

Others attending were: Town Manager Carl Rogers, Town Clerk-Treasurer Donna J. Kelty, and Dwayne Tucker.

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 Mitchell, the Selectboard voted to approve the agenda.

MINUTES

On a motion by Tessier, seconded by Mitchell, the Selectboard voted to approve the Selectboard meeting minutes of May 24, 2016 as amended.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. The Barre Town Fire Department’s Father’s Day Chicken Barbeque is on June 19th at the East Barre Fire Station. Meals are served from Noon to 2:00 p.m. Eat in the fire station or take your meals home. Tickets are on sale at the barbeque.

2. The Town’s Deputy Health Officer position is vacant. Applications are being accepted now. This is a very, very part-time position. The Deputy will assist the Health Officer. Typically there are about 10 calls per year, with possibly 1 out of 20 ending with the Health Officer seeking a health order for corrective
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action. This position handles dog bite cases and rental housing code violations. The person would also be very involved if there was a health (disease) emergency. Contact the Town Manager's office for more information or if interested in the position.

3. Later in this meeting the Selectboard will consider an amendment to the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for the Phoenix House. This MOU created a Community Relations Working Group. The membership includes a representative of the South Barre neighborhood. This committee has been without a South Barre resident since May 2015. The Selectboard is looking for someone to represent the neighborhood. There are quarterly meetings that last about an hour and a half. Contact the Town Manager's office for more information or to submit your name.

GUESTS (1) - None

CDBG AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF MONTESSORI SCHOOL OF CENTRAL VT

Background: The documents needed for this item were not ready. The item will be skipped over and placed on next week’s meeting agenda.

2016 UNLICENSED DOG WARRANT

Background: The Town Clerk-Treasurer, as directed by State law, will be seeking the Selectboard’s annual authorization to turn the 2016 unlicensed dog list (61 owners) over to the Police Department for action. Individuals on this list have been contacted by mail with no response. The Animal Control Officer will be contacting the pet owners to determine if the dog is deceased, moved out of town, or needs to be licensed.

On a motion by Mitchell, seconded by Paul White, the Selectboard voted to approve and sign the 2016 Unlicensed Dog Warrant as presented.

ANNUAL FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT QUESTIONNAIRE

Background: In accordance with Vermont Statutes Title 32, Section 133 (11), Title 24, Section 872 (b), and Title 24 Section 1571 (d), the Town Treasurer shall before June 30th each year provide the Selectboard for review the completed form (provided by the State Auditor) that ensures proper use of public funds. This questionnaire once accepted by the Selectboard will be filed with the Town Clerk’s Office and recorded in the Town Records book.

The Selectboard noted for the record the document had been received and it will be recorded in the Town Records.

PHOENIX HOUSE - MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Background: In May 2015 the Phoenix House asked the Selectboard to amend the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to allow Lamoille County residents to use the House. The Selectboard approved a one-year trial period. The Police Chief has no objections to allowing Lamoille County residents to use the House. However, Barre Town residents still have a priority. Since the House is underutilized (empty beds) allowing Lamoille County residents is not going to prevent a Washington County resident from benefitting from the service. After consulting with the Barre Town Development Review Board, Zoning Attorney, and Town Attorney all agree the Selectboard may approve this MOU change without the Development Review Board approval.
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On a motion by LaClair, seconded by Tessier, the Selectboard voted to approve the 2016 Memorandum of Understanding with Phoenix House of New England, Inc. which removes the one year trial period for Lamoille County to use the House.

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 June 7, 2016.

MISCELLANEOUS

Rogers noted that the residents of Phoenix House have been maintaining the butterfly garden across the street from the School. The Board thanked the group for stepping forward and doing such a great job.

‘ROUND THE TABLE

Tessier noted the jersey barrier has not been installed at the bottom of Sterling Hill Road. Rogers stated during last weeks' meeting with the DPW Superintendent and Town Engineer the barrier was being ordered. There was brief discussion regarding trucks using GPS and trying to go up Sterling Hill Road and if fines/charges could be levied when trying to get them back onto Route 14 - similar to what is to be done with Smugglers Notch.

LaClair noted the Governor vetoed Senate Bill 230, the solar/wind siting bill. Legislature will reconvene on Thursday June 9 to determine whether or not Legislature will/should override the veto.

Mitchell noted that in the most recent Central Vermont Solid Waste District meeting packet there was some information regarding haulers. He requested the Manager copy the information and forward to the other Board members for review.

Mitchell noted he read (in the local newspaper) the most recent police log which seemed to be filled with animal complaints. He would like to know what type of animal complaints the department has been dealing with. Manager Rogers did note that not all complaints were dogs. They could be things like deceased animals in the roadway, skunks, and more.

GUESTS - 2

Dwayne Tucker has a deposit to purchase 32 acres of land directly behind his home on Middle Road. He intends to use this land for his business. Preliminary plans have been around for some years which indicate a bike path would cross almost every acre of this property. He would like to know the Town's future plans for this bike path. Mr. Tucker is not opposed to a bike path but wants to be kept in the loop as to what is happening.

Chair, Tom White, stated the plans are just that - preliminary concepts on where might be best to place a path. Routes are subject to change based upon what permissions are given by the various property owners.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On a motion by Mitchell, seconded by Tessier, the Selectboard found that premature general knowledge would put the Town a substantial disadvantage with regard to real estate, contractual, and personnel discussion.

On a motion by LaClair, seconded by Mitchell, the Selectboard voted to go into executive session to discuss real estate, contracts, and personnel at 8:02 p.m.
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On a motion by LaClair, seconded by Tessier, the Selectboard voted to come out of executive session at 9:35 pm.

ADJOURN

On a motion by Mitchell, seconded by Tessier, the Selectboard voted to adjourn at 9:35 p.m.

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Donna J. Kelty, Town Clerk-Treasurer  Selectboard Chair

Barre Town Selectboard