

BARRE TOWN SELECTBOARD MEETING AGENDA
October 8, 2019

1. Call to order 6:00 p.m.
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Consider approving agenda.
4. Executive session - legal
5. Consider approving October 1, 2019 meeting minutes.
6. Announcements
7. Receive guests for non-agenda items.
8. Quarterly Department Head visits: a) Town Engineer, b) Fire Chief and Planning/Zoning Director.
9. Consider adopting VT Agency of Commerce and Community Development's Form MP-1 for the VT Foodbank grant.
10. Consider authorizing submitting the Municipal Services Grant application to the CV Solid Waste District.
11. Consider approving weekly accounts payable warrant for October 8, 2019.
12. Miscellaneous, including licenses and permits, if any.
13. 'Round the table.
14. Executive session: personnel.
15. Adjourn.

BARRE TOWN SELECTBOARD MINUTES
October 8, 2019

The duly warned meeting of October 8, 2019 was held at 6:00 p.m. in the Barre Town Municipal Building, Selectboard Room, in Lower Websterville.

The following members were in attendance: Norma Malone, W. John "Jack" Mitchell, Bob Nelson, and Tom White. Paul White was not present.

Attendance for the regular meeting: Town Manager Carl Rogers, Assistant Manager Elaine Wang, Fire Chief and Planning/Zoning Director Chris Violette.

CALL TO ORDER – The regular meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - Those present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVE THE AGENDA

Chair Tom White noted that the Town Clerk was not present and so minutes were not available, that the Town Engineer was unavailable, and asked to remove items 3 and 7a from the agenda.

On a motion by Bob Nelson, seconded by Norma Malone, the Selectboard voted to approve the agenda with those changes. Paul White was not present for the vote.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ✓ Got leaves? Of course you do! The Town's Lawn Waste Site on Holden Road is open Monday afternoon from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Wednesday afternoon 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Thursday mornings 9:00 a.m. to Noon and Saturday mornings from 8:00 a.m. to Noon. On a few upcoming weekends, the site will be open on Saturdays 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and on Sunday Noon to 4:00 p.m. Those weekend dates of extended hours are October 12 & 13, 19 & 20 and 26 & 27.
- ✓ Drivers, please keep in mind that we might have less daylight now, but walkers and joggers may still be using roadsides at the same times. Please maintain awareness of pedestrians on road shoulders.

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Pedestrians, please wear light colored or reflective clothing, or carry a flashlight to make yourself more visible to drivers.

GUESTS - None

QUARTERLY DEPARTMENT HEAD VISITS

Chris Violette provided his Planning and Zoning quarterly report. He noted an unusually high number of permits issued for digging in the right of way; he estimated usually two a year, whereas there were five in the past quarter alone. He said the Planning Commission has been working through the Town Plan revision. He then provided his Fire Department quarterly report. He noted trainings in the past quarter included working with smoke at the Williamston purpose-built training facility, and two firefighters underwent water resource technician training. He provided an update on the radio study.

FORM MP-1 FOR VT FOODBANK GRANT

The Town was awarded a federal community development block grant on behalf of the VT Foodbank, administered by the State. Such grants come with conditions, including adopting certain policies, represented in form MP-1. The Town Attorney reviewed the policies and made one recommendation relating to the Personnel Policy, with which Norma Malone agreed.

On a motion by Bob Nelson, seconded by Norma Malone, the Selectboard voted to adopt the VT Agency of Commerce and Community Development's Form MP-1 revised November 2018. Paul White was not present for the vote.

On a motion by Norma Malone, seconded by Bob Nelson, the Selectboard voted to repeal Town of Barre Policy number 21. Paul White was not present for the vote.

MUNICIPAL SERVICES GRANT APPLICATION

Elaine Wang provided the draft narrative, application, and budget based on collecting 100 mattresses to the Selectboard. Bob Nelson asked if the Town was prepared to take on the cost if more than 100 mattresses were collected. Staff noted that the grant was on a reimbursement basis so the proposed budget could be increased to cover more mattresses in case more were taken in than expected. The Selectboard confirmed their desire for that.

On a motion by Jack Mitchell, seconded by Norma Malone, the Selectboard voted 4-0 to authorize submitting a grant for mattress collection at the Town's spring 2020 bulk trash collection to the Central Vermont Solid Waste Management District's Municipal Services Grant Program. Paul White was not present for the vote.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE WARRANT

On a motion by Norma Malone, seconded by Jack Mitchell, the Selectboard voted to approve the accounts payable warrant dated October 8, 2019. Paul White was not present for the vote.

MISCELLANEOUS - None

'ROUND TABLE

Jack Mitchell noted he would be away next week.

Carl Rogers shared a draft map provided by Town Auditor Jeff Blow for the Town Report and the Selectboard provided comments.

Tom White asked for a meeting of the Selectboard be warned for October 21, 5:30 - 7:00 p.m. for the Aldrich Library to present to the Barre City Council and Barre Town Selectboard, and for the business

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meeting of the Selectboard (for that week) be warned for 7:00 p.m. at the Aldrich Library's Milne Room. The regular Selectboard meeting of Tuesday, October 22, 2019 has been canceled.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On a motion by Jack Mitchell, seconded by Norma Malone, the Selectboard voted to find the need to go into executive session citing premature general knowledge would clearly place the Selectboard at a substantial disadvantage. Paul White was not present for the vote.

On a motion by Jack Mitchell, seconded by Norma Malone, the Selectboard voted to go into executive session at 7:16 p.m. to discuss personnel. Paul White was not present for the vote.

On a motion by Norma Malone, seconded by Jack Mitchell, the Selectboard voted to come out of executive session at 8:10 p.m.

ADJOURN

On a motion by Jack Mitchell, seconded by Norma Malone, the Selectboard voted to adjourn at 8:10 p.m. Paul White was not present for the vote.

Elaine Wang, Asst. Town Manager

Selectboard Chair

Barre Town Selectboard