

BARRE TOWN SELECTBOARD MEETING AGENDA
July 20, 2021

P.I.L.O.T – Quarterly department head visits: **a) EMS, b) Police** 6:00p.m.

1. Call to order. 6:30 p.m.
2. Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Consider approving agenda.
4. Consider approving July 6 meeting minutes.
5. Announcements.
6. Receive guests for non-agenda items.
7. Consider awarding contract for recreation facilities fence work.
8. Consider authorizing recreation facilities grant application for fencing.
9. Consider approving dog park operation and maintenance agreement.
10. Consider approving school resource officer agreement with Barre Unified Union School District.
11. Consider approving weekly accounts payable warrants for July 13 and 20, 2021.
12. Miscellaneous, including licenses and permits, if any.
13. ‘Round table.
14. Selectboard retreat.
15. Executive session, if needed.
16. Adjourn.

BARRE TOWN SELECTBOARD MINUTES
July 20, 2021

The duly warned meeting of July 20, 2021 was held at the Barre Town Municipal Building, Selectboard Room, in Lower Websterville at 6:30 p.m.

The following members were in attendance: Norma Malone, W. John “Jack” Mitchell, Bob Nelson, Paul White. Attendance by phone: Justin Bolduc.

Attendance for the regular meeting: Town Manager Carl Rogers, Town Clerk Tina Lunt and Recreation Board Chair Doug Farnham.

CALL TO ORDER - The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.

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

APPROVE THE AGENDA

On a motion by Bob Nelson, seconded by Norma Malone, the Selectboard voted unanimously to approve the amended agenda as follows:

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1. Add to item #12 – Application for fireworks display for Vicki Maurais at 740 East Barre Road.
2. Add to item #15 – Executive session for personal, contract and real estate.

MINUTES

On a motion by Norma Malone, seconded by Bob Nelson, the Selectboard voted unanimously to approve the Selectboard meeting minutes of July 6, 2021 with minor spelling and grammatical corrections.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ✓ Town Manager Carl Rogers announced a road paving update. Quarry Hill Road will be completed by Tuesday, July 20. Fisher and Patch Road will be completed Wednesday, July 21. Morrison and Snowbridge Road will be completed by Friday, July 23. The paving project will finish up the following week if weather interrupts.
- ✓ The Recreation Board is once again offering ice cream events this summer, the first three Tuesdays of August the 3rd, 10th, and 17th. Out of abundance of caution, to reduce crowds they will be hosted at two playgrounds each night at the same time, from 6:30pm to 7:30pm. The first two, on August 3rd will be at Trow Hill Playground on Hill Street and Lower Graniteville Playground on Baptist Street. Scooped ice cream and freezer pops will be served. The events are free and open to all, child not required for entry!
- ✓ Please be aware that the Town Forest trails and 44 Brook Street parking lot may be quite busy the morning of Saturday, July 31 from 8:00am to noon. The Central Vermont Runners and Rehab Gym are hosting a benefit race at that time.

GUESTS – None

RECREATION FACILITIES FENCE BIDS

Background: The RFP for the Town's softball field fencing project work went directly to 6 contractors and was also posted to the State bid site. There were three contractors who responded. The RFP allows the Town to award different locations to different bidders. The available budget, including the amount that was held over is \$39,726.

Recreation Board Chair Doug Farnham joined the Board for discussion. Doug voiced that he recommends AH Fence, as this contractor has walked all the properties and also has bid on

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each of the projects and knows what work needs to be completed. He added that AH Fence did the prep work with the Town to determine what the Town needed for this project. Mr. Farnham shared his appreciation for Lafayette Highway Specialties and their past help provided to the Town.

Board members had several discussions around the bids. Norma Malone noted her appreciation for the work that Mr. Farnham and Mr. Bolduc had completed on this project.

On a motion by Bob Nelson, seconded by Norma Malone, the Selectboard voted unanimously to award all of the proposed fence work to AH Fence at their state bid prices, to include: the softball field (4' in the ground), Websterville Playground, Trow Hill Playground (including fence reattaching and double gate), and the Wilson Street Community Building (4' in the ground).

RECREATION FACILITIES GRANT APPLICATION

Background: The Recreation Board wants the Town to apply for the annual State BGS Recreational Facilities Grant program for the rest of the fencing work, due July 31. This program requires 50% cash match in hand and the maximum award of \$25,000. The grant would need to be spent by September 1, 2023, if awarded.

On a motion by Jack Mitchell, seconded by Norma Malone, the Selectboard voted unanimously to authorize the Town to apply to the 2021 Recreational Facilities grant program for \$25,000 for fencing and to sign the letter of support.

DOG PARK OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT

Background: The Recreation Board voted to approve the revised Dog Park Agreement. The minor revisions included adding detail on what expenditures did and did not require pre-approval and to allow business cards to be posted by committee members in the locked dog park kiosk.

On a motion by Norma Malone, seconded by Justin Bolduc, the Selectboard voted unanimously to adopt the Dog Park Agreement and authorize the Chair to sign it.

SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER AGREEMENT WITH BUUSD

Background: The S.R.O. agreement is for the period of August 30 to June 16 for Barre Town Middle and Elementary School. The service will be provided sometime between 6:00am and 4:00pm. The Barre Unified Union School District will pay up to \$1,315 per week. The

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Town can bill the school for the officers' wages and associated payroll expenses. Either party may cancel the agreement without cause.

On a motion by Norma Malone, seconded by Bob Nelson, the Selectboard voted unanimously to authorize the Town Manager to sign the 2021-2022 school year School Resource Officer Agreement with the Barre Unified Union School District

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE WARRANT

On a motion by Norma Malone, seconded by Justin Bolduc the Selectboard voted to approve the accounts payable warrants dated July 13, 2021 and July 20, 2021. Bob Nelson abstained.

MISCELLANEOUS

On a motion by Bob Nelson, seconded by Norma Malone, the Selectboard voted to approve a fireworks display for Vicki Maurais, 740 East Barre Road on August 7, 2021. Justin Bolduc abstained.

'ROUND TABLE

Paul White reminded everyone that there is no meeting next week. The next Selectboard meeting will take place on Tuesday, August 3.

The Selectboard recessed briefly at 8:07p.m. to move to the lower-level conference room. Town Clerk Tina Lunt left the meeting at that time. The Selectboard discussed matters that must be dealt with in the next ten to twelve months and talked about a few matters the Selectboard would like to see addressed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – NONE

ADJOURN

On a motion by Jack Mitchell, seconded by Bob Nelson, the Selectboard voted unanimously to adjourn at 10:50 p.m.

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Tina Lunt, Town Clerk

Selectboard Chair

Barre Town Selectboard