

BARRE TOWN SELECTBOARD MEETING AGENDA
January 12, 2010

PILOT: Budget Report (July - December)

6:30 p.m.

1. Call to order 7:00 p.m.
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Consider approving minutes from meeting of January 5 meeting
4. Announcements
5. Receive guests (for non-agenda items).
6. Consider adopting Resolution #1-10 honoring Gino Salvatori for 40 years of service.
7. Consider Bruce Mekklesen's request for a forced sewer main extension.
8. Consider Barre Town Thunder Chicken's request to use town land for a snowmobile jump demonstration.
9. Consider awarding bid for F-550 dump body/spreader/plow.
10. Consider setting 2010 EMS per capita rates.
11. Discuss Selectboard and budget review meeting schedule.
12. Consider approving weekly accounts payable warrants.
13. Miscellaneous: alcohol & tobacco licenses
14. 'Round the Table
15. Executive Session: contract and legal
16. Adjourn

BARRE TOWN SELECTBOARD MINUTES
January 12, 2010

The duly warned meeting of the Barre Town Selectboard of January 12, 2010 was held at the Barre Town Municipal Building, Selectboard Room, Lower Websterville at 7:05 p.m.

The following members were in attendance: Jeff Blow, Jeff Newton, Marion Fish, and William Wolfe.

REGULAR MEETING

Attendance for the regular meeting included: Town Manager Carl Rogers, Town Clerk-Treasurer Donna Kelty, Town Management Intern Kelly Houston, Town Engineer Harry Hinrichsen, Linda Mercy, David Rouleau, Jeremy Malone, Mike Martel, Gino Salvatori and wife, Fire Chief Chris Violette, Police Chief Michael Stevens, and several other guests who did not sign in.

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

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

MINUTES

On a motion by Fish, seconded by Newton, the Selectboard voted unanimously to approve the Selectboard Meeting Minutes of January 5, 2010. Gagne was not present for the vote.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Now that winter heating season is upon us, be sure to check all heating devices (i.e. portable heaters, wood stoves, furnaces) for malfunctioning parts and appropriate use. Performing a quick check could save you from accidental damage.
2. Notice: Dog license renewals will be mailed out by the end of January; owners will also be notified of rabies vaccination expiration.

GUESTS - None

RESOLUTION #1-10, GINO SALVATORI 40 YEARS OF SERVICE

Background: As of January 5, 2010, Gino Salvatori has been with the Town of Barre Department of Public Works (DPW) for 40 years. The Selectboard is honoring Mr. Salvatori for his many years of service to the Town of Barre.

On a motion by Fish, seconded by Wolfe, the Selectboard voted unanimously to adopt resolution #1-10 honoring Gino Salvatori for 40 years of dedicated service to the Town of Barre. Gagne was not present for the vote.

The Intern read the resolution. Mr. Salvatori announced he will be retiring July 5, 2010. The Board expressed their gratitude and presented Mr. Salvatori with the resolution.

FORCED SEWER MAIN EXTENSION - MEKKLESEN

Background: Bruce Mekkelsen is proposing a nine-lot subdivision off School Road which is calling for on-lot sewer pumps for each lot, which would have force-main lines that send wastewater to a common pump station near the intersection of Richardson Road. The force main will require a right-of-way conduit permit from the Selectboard.

The Town Engineer noted that based on the language in the Sewer Allocation Policy (SAP), sewer connections that fall outside of the existing service territory are required to meet service density...another limitation is on development of pump stations. In this sewer main extension neither of the prerequisite is met.

The Town in previous cases (Marcel Roy in 2005 and Ron York in 2006) voted to uphold the restrictions and limitations enacted by the SAP. The Selectboard minutes of August 30, 2005 clearly state "It is noted for the record the Selectboard has generally discouraged and even not allowed privately owned pumping stations."

The Town Engineer recommends denying the request as it would create a new pump station, it is not within the service territory, and does not meet the density requirements.

The item was passed over as it was determined the party was not contacted to appear before the Board.

USE OF TOWN LAND BY THUNDER CHICKENS

Background: Barre Town Thunder Chicken's have requested use of the Town owned parcel of land located next to the Wilson Recycling Depot (Wilson Industrial Park) for a snowmobile demonstration on February 6, 2010. This event will be open to the public, free of charge. There may be two shows, one at 2:00 p.m. and one at 6:00 p.m. The Thunder Chickens are looking into having food and beverage vendors on site. Selectboard approval is need for this event. An agreement between the Town and Thunder Chickens outlining the event and disclaiming any liability is needed.

Dave Rouleau and Jeremy Malone were present. Some proposed terms for the agreement were discussed.

On a motion by Wolfe, seconded by Fish, the Selectboard voted unanimously to approve use of town land for the snowmobile jump demonstration event to be held on February 6, 2010, in the Wilson Industrial Park, on the lot next to the Recycling Depot, and authorize the Town Manager to draft the agreement between Barre Town and the Thunder Chickens outlining event proceedings with the agreement to be brought back before this Board for final approval. Gagne was not present for the vote.

During discussion it was noted the Thunder Chickens will be holding the Annual Travis Mercy Skatepark fundraiser on February 20, 2010. Proceeds provide maintenance and upgrade to the Skatepark located at the Barre Town recreation facility.

PURCHASE OF DUMP BODY/SPREADER/PLOW

Background: To complete the most recent DPW truck purchase from Gateway Ford, an RFP was distributed for a dump body/spreader/plow. The two bids (H.P. Fairfield and Tenco) were opened last Wednesday. Each bidder fulfilled the requirements requested in the initial RFP. With options (load cover and 12-ton hoist) H.P. Fairfield bid \$36,675 and Tenco bid \$34,798. The DPW Superintendent recommends selecting the low bidder for this purchase.

On a motion by Wolfe, seconded by Newton, the Selectboard voted unanimously to accept Tenco's bid of \$34,798 for dump body, spreader, and plow, with options. Gagne was not present for the vote.

2010 EMS PER CAPITA RATES

Background: Customer towns are preparing their 2010 budgets and Town Meeting warnings. They need EMS per capita rates. Depending on what happens with the Town's contract with Berlin two scenarios need to be prepared (one with and one without). The Selectboard may need to have a discussion in Executive Session since the disclosure of proposed per capita rates could lead to a competitive disadvantage.

The item will be discussed in executive session.

SELECTBOARD & BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE

Background: The Budget Committee has been appointed and the first budget review session has been scheduled for Tuesday, January 26. The Manager is looking for direction

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on how the Board would like to schedule and coordinate Selectboard and Budget Committee meetings. In the past budget work was from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. and then held the regular Selectboard meeting at 8:00 p.m. Consideration should be given to using a couple meeting dates between February and March to work solely on the budget. Another alternative is to recess the Budget meeting, hold an abbreviated Selectboard meeting (welcome guest, sign warrants) and return to the Budget meeting.

The consensus of the Selectboard is to hold very short Selectboard meetings (around 15 minutes to sign warrants, approve minutes, and hear from guests) on February 16 and March 16, 2010 to spend longer reviewing the budget. If it appears more time is needed additional meetings will be scheduled.

WEEKLY ACCOUNTS PAYABLE WARRANT

A motion was made by Fish, seconded by Newton, to approve the accounts payable warrant as presented. Gagne was not present for the vote.

MISCELLANEOUS

A) The Police Chief and Fire Chief were present at the Selectboard's request to discuss the formation of a Dispatch Committee to research the hardware, radio signal information, and cost of service to contract with Lamoille.

On a motion by Blow, seconded by Fish, the Selectboard voted unanimously to appoint a Dispatch Committee, members being the EMS Director, Police Chief, Fire Chief, Selectboard members William Wolfe and Jeff Newton, to research the hardware, radio signal information, and cost of service to contract dispatch services with Lamoille and furthermore a report be presented to this Board in three (3) months. Gagne was not present for the vote.

B) Rogers presented the Selectboard with copies of the agenda and notes for the upcoming CVSWMD meeting tomorrow night. One item is to close the recycling depots, including the one at the Wilson Industrial Park.

The Board discussed the impact to the community and asked that the Town CVSWMD Representative Fred Thumm be put on the next meeting agenda and to ask for a copy of the RFP the Waste District used for privatizing the Recycling Depot(s).

C) In October 2006 the Selectboard wrote a letter of support for Millstone Trails grant application for 36 signs that were to be used to mark local quarries with factual and historical information. Due to federal cuts the grant did not happen. Millstone Trails has learned they may be able to obtain grant money from the VT Department of Forests, Park and Recreation. The Association is once again looking for a letter of support from the Selectboard.

On a motion by Wolfe, seconded by Newton, the Selectboard voted unanimously to authorize the Town Manager to write a letter of support for Millstone Trails grant application for 36 signs that were to be used to mark local quarries with factual and historical information. Gagne was not present for the vote.

'ROUND THE TABLE

Wolfe thanked the DPW for the great job they did with keeping the roads clear.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On a motion by Wolfe, seconded by Newton, the Selectboard voted unanimously to go into executive session at 8:03 p.m. to discuss contracts, personnel, and legal. Gagne was not present for the vote.

On a motion by Newton, seconded by Wolfe, the Selectboard voted unanimously to come out of executive session at 8:59 p.m. Gagne was not present for the vote.

ADJOURN

On a motion by Wolfe, seconded by Fish, the Selectboard voted unanimously to adjourn at 8:59 p.m. Gagne was not present for the vote.

Donna J. Kelty, Town Clerk-Treasurer

Selectboard Chair

Barre Town Selectboard