

BUCKLAND BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING MINUTES
Buckland Town Hall
April 26, 2016, 6:30 p.m.

Kevin P. Fox

John R. Riggan

Dena G. Willmore

Absent



Attendees: Rob Riggan, Dena Willmore, Diane Broncaccio (*The Recorder*), Chief James Hicks, Ellen Kaufmann, Andrea Llamas, Margaret Olin, Jed Proujanski (Northfield Board of Selectmen), James Sullivan (Falls Cable), Brian Summer

Rob Riggan opened the meeting at 6:30 p.m..

2. Documents to Sign

a. **Franklin County Sheriff's Office Regional Dog Control Fiscal Year 2017 Contract for Services** - Dena Willmore moved we accept the contract and sign it; Rob Riggan seconded.

VOTED unanimously in favor.

b. **Town Hall Use Application – Buckland Democratic League** – Dena Willmore moved we accept the application for the Buckland Democratic League on May 5, 2016; Rob Riggan seconded.

VOTED unanimously in favor.

c. **Mohawk Trail Woodlands Partnership Plan Letter of Support** – Andrea Llamas said this is to support FRCOG going forward for the next phase. Rob Riggan was assured this was for the next phase only. Dena Willmore moved we sign the letter of support for the Mohawk Trail Woodlands Partnership Plan; Rob Riggan seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor.

d. **Sidewalk Use Permit – GSFABA Iron Bridge Dinner, August 21, 2016** – Dena Willmore moved to approve the Sidewalk Use Permit for the Iron Bridge Dinner on August 21, 2016; Rob Riggan seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor.

e. **Sidewalk Use Permit – GSFABA Moonlight Magic, November 26, 2016** – Dena Willmore moved to approve the Sidewalk Use Permit for Moonlight Magic; Rob Riggan seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor.

f. **Parade Permit – GSFABA, Moonlight Magic, November 26, 2016** – Dena Willmore moved to approve the Parade Permit for Moonlight Magic; Rob Riggan seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor.

g. **Sidewalk Use Permit – Marlboro Morris Men, May 12, 2016** – Dena Willmore moved to approve the Sidewalk Use Permit for the Marlboro Morris Men; Rob Riggan seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor.

Chapter 90 Request – Clesson Brook Road Bridge – Andrea Llamas said we are requesting \$100,000 to be part of the funding mechanism for the project. Dena Willmore moved re sign the Chapter 90 Request for the Clesson Brook Road Bridge Project; Rob Riggan seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor.

Curb Cut Permit – Brian Heath, 45 North Street – Dena Willmore moved to sign the Curb Cut Permit for Brian Heath on 45 North Street; Rob Riggan seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor.

Solicitor's Permit – Jonathan Jacobs, SolarCity – Dena Willmore moved to sign the Solicitor's Permit for Jonathan Jacobs of SolarCity; Rob Riggan seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor.

h. **Chapter 90 Request – TIP 25% Engineering Design** – Andrea Llamas said this is the third funding piece of 25% design for the TIP project for Summer Street, Conway Street, South Street, and Conway Road. Dena Willmore moved to sign the Chapter 90 Request for the TIP 25% Engineering Design for Conway Street, South Street, Summer Street, and Conway Road; Rob

Riggan seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor. Andrea Llamas said she is going to a meeting on May 19, 2016 for this project at the FRCOG.

Appointments

6:45 p.m., Energy Committee – Northfield Select Board Member Jed Proujanski – Jed Proujanski introduced himself as a Selectman from the Town of Northfield. He asked that the Town consider joining a municipal coalition against the proposed pipeline project. He said they are concerned about the suspended project saying it may come up again in a few months. He also expressed concern about the Berkshire Gas moratorium; he said potential for business expansion is affected by the moratorium, and thinks towns should work on getting the moratorium lifted. He also spoke about Article 97 – land protected by the State – saying it is very important for the future of our town’s protection that Article 97 stands. He said there was no financial commitment to join the municipal coalition. Rob Riggan said there is an article on the Annual Town Meeting warrant, and it will be a Town Meeting decision. Dena Willmore spoke of a no-growth economy saying she is concerned about public policy that restricts energy. Jed Proujanski said they are developing a policy and will put something together.

Ellen Kaufmann, Margaret Olin, Jed Proujanski, and Brian Summer left the meeting at 7:10 p.m.. Chief James Hicks entered the meeting at 7:10 p.m..

7:15 p.m., Chief Hicks – Camera Use Policies – Chief Hicks said they will have a trial period for the camera usage saying it would be two-three weeks before we then do a training for personnel to use them. He spoke to another Chief who has had no problem with the system. He said officers would turn on the cameras when they have interactions; when the blue lights go on, it begins recording in the cruisers. One computer will be dedicated strictly for this system. Andrea Llamas asked how we will treat this as a request for this video as a public record. Chief Hicks said no requests except from the D.A.’s office. Rob Riggan indicated we should evaluate the system in August and make a policy pertaining to Buckland. Dena Willmore moved we adopt the Camera Policy for body use and mobile cameras on a trial basis; Rob Riggan seconded. Dena Willmore asked about storage. Chief Hicks said the department has a vault with access only to him and Kurt Gilmore with a log inside the door. **VOTED** unanimously in favor.

Chief Hicks left the meeting at 7:24 p.m..

7:40 p.m. Rose Love, Parking Ticket – Appointment cancelled; she paid the ticket.

3. Agenda Items

c. **Recreation Area Pay Rates** – Andrea Llamas said adding maintenance so the experienced pool operator doing this job gets paid for a total of \$650.00. Dena Willmore moved we accept the Recreation Area rate schedule for pay for the summer of 2016; Rob Riggan seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor. (Rate schedule attached)

d. **Parent Transportation Policy/Agreement (For Smith Vocational Transportation)** – Andrea Llamas said she heard that ninth grade technical school students can do their exploratory program in the district. We have two students requesting ninth grade outside of the district. Tech feels they should go to Tech. She recommended passing over the article at Annual Town Meeting.

e. **FRCOG Traffic Counts** – After talking to Steve – see no need for this at this time.

f. **Highway Facility Project – Request for Owners Project Manager** – Andrea Llamas will review this with Dena Willmore.

At 7:35 p.m., took a brief recess. Back in session at 7:39 p.m..

b. **Special Town Meeting – Mohawk Trail Regional Agreement Changes** – Andrea Llamas said if the \$60,000 designated for Smith Voch is available, we could move \$50,000 back into the

Bray Road project. Dena Willmore moved if the funding is available, bring back \$50,000 for the Bray Road project and \$10,000 to reserve which is dangerously low; Rob Riggan seconded.

VOTED unanimously in favor. Will have a Special Town Meeting on May 4, 2016, at 6:30 p.m..

a. **Vote Warrant Articles – Annual Town Meeting** – Dena Willmore moved we support Article 4; Rob Riggan seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor. Dena Willmore moved we support Article 5; Rob Riggan seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor. Dena Willmore moved we support Article 6; Rob Riggan seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor. Dena Willmore moved we support Article 7; Rob Riggan seconded. Dena Willmore – yes, Rob Riggan – no; motion failed. Dena Willmore moved we support Article 8; Rob Riggan seconded. Dena Willmore – yes, Rob Riggan – no; motion failed. Dena Willmore moved we support Article 9; Rob Riggan seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor. Dena Willmore moved we support Article 10; Rob Riggan seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor. Dena Willmore moved we support Article 11; Rob Riggan seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor. Dena Willmore moved we support Article 12; Rob Riggan seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor. Dena Willmore moved we pass over Article 13; Rob Riggan seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor. Dena Willmore moved we support Article 14; Rob Riggan seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor. Dena Willmore moved we support Article 15; Rob Riggan seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor. Dena Willmore moved we support Article 16; Rob Riggan seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor. Dena Willmore moved we support Article 17; Rob Riggan seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor. Dena Willmore moved we support Article 18; Rob Riggan seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor. Dena Willmore moved we support Article 19; Rob Riggan seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor. Dena Willmore moved we support Article 20; Rob Riggan seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor. Dena Willmore moved we support Article 21; Rob Riggan seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor. Dena Willmore moved we support Article 22; Rob Riggan seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor. Dena Willmore moved we support Article 23; Rob Riggan seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor. Dena Willmore moved we support Article 24; Rob Riggan seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor. Dena Willmore moved we support Article 25; Rob Riggan seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor. Dena Willmore moved we support Article 26; Rob Riggan seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor. Dena Willmore moved we support Article 27; Rob Riggan seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor. Dena Willmore moved we support Article 28; Rob Riggan seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor. Dena Willmore moved we support Article 29; Rob Riggan seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor. Dena Willmore moved we support Article 30; Rob Riggan seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor. Dena Willmore moved we support Article 31; Rob Riggan seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor. Annual Town Meeting Warrant attached.

4. **Town Administrator Updates** – DESE - Andrea Llamas said she spoke to Roger Hatch regarding the zip code situation; he is working on a response. DOR – DOR does not appear to have any restaurants as located in the Town of Buckland for a possible meals tax; they are working on resolving the issue. Highway Driver/Labor Position – Dena Willmore moved we authorize the Highway Department to fill the opening they currently have; Rob Riggan seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor. Highway Garage – We own the Highway Garage! We closed on Town Hall on April 14, 2016. Town Hall - We have two new windows and a new front door; installing a mailbox at the entrance to the left of the door. Cyber Security – Community Compact – grant from the State for \$7,000; they will give us a report and recommendations.

5. **Items Not Reasonably Anticipated by Chair 48 Hours in Advance of Meeting** – None.

6. **Public Comment** – None.

7. **Volunteer Recognition** – Dan Fleuriel for fixing exterior light, interior door. The Highway workers put together some shelving for Town Hall and moved boxes of documents. Andrea Llamas planted pansies and tulips in the flower boxes.

8. **Announcements** – Annual Election and Town Meeting coming up the first week in May. Buckland Town Forum held here last night; on Falls Cable and on-line.

At 8:05 p.m., Dena Willmore moved to adjourn the meeting; Rob Riggan seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m..