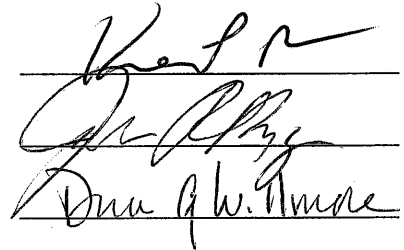


BUCKLAND BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING MINUTES
August 11, 2015, 6:30 p.m.
Buckland Town Hall

Kevin P. Fox

John R. Riggan

Dena G. Willmore



Attendees: Kevin Fox, Rob Riggan, Dena Willmore, Diane Broncaccio (*The Recorder*), Ben Bosco (*Shelburne Falls Independent News*), Glenn Cardinal, Dan Fleuriel, Andrea Llamas, James Sullivan (Falls Cable)

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

2. **Documents to Sign**

a. **Selectmen Meeting Minutes – July 14, 2015** – Kevin moved to approve the Meeting Minutes; Dena seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor.

b. **Dog Warrant** – Dena moved to sign the annual Dog Warrant; Kevin seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor. Dena moved to sign the Accounting Software Contract; Kevin seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor.

c. **Curb Cut Permit** – Approved by Highway Superintendent and Chief of Police. Dena moved to approve the Curb Cut request; Kevin seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor.

Glenn Cardinal entered the meeting at 6:35 p.m..

3. **Agenda Items**

e. **Highway Truck Purchase Update** – Andrea said we received the bids but have not awarded due to the issue of financing. A heavy truck is not what we really want. The best thing to do is take projects being done under Chapter 90 funding and move to truck purchase. Amend the previous Bray Road request to Mass Highway. Sign warrant for a Special Town Meeting to vote the \$70,000 from Bray Road toward the truck; \$4,649 - \$2,000 for radios, \$2,649 toward the truck from Road Machinery Maintenance. Kevin moved we amend the project request; Dena seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor. Andrea said the Warrant would have two articles; one for the Road Machinery account; the second article – pay a bill from the current year in the Emergency Management account as there is a bill for radios and an antenna which we purchased for this building so we will not have to share with the Fire District. Kevin moved we sign the Warrant for the August 27, 2015 Special Town Meeting; Dena seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor.

c. **Technology Committee Discussion**; d. **Personnel Committee Appointment** – Kevin moved we appoint Matt Jacobson-Carroll to the Technology Committee, and Pat Schmidt to the Personnel Committee; Rob seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor.

Diane Broncaccio entered the meeting at 6:45 p.m.

Appointments

6:45 p.m., Glenn Cardinal Re: Internet Access Update – Glenn said I have two issues to speak about. The Mass Broadband RFQ – there are ten towns involved in this project. Montague – the people who are closest to Leverett: want to do what Leverett is doing. One differing opinion from one town is slowing the process. Looking at Comcast and Matrix qualifications; they will be in touch with us in a few weeks. Six towns are involved with WiredWest and not partially cabled

towns. We are looking at two weeks to get the RFQ information going. Rob asked about a timeline. Glenn said once the pole services gets done, two or three months maximum. Kevin asked about a local approach. Glenn said it is not determined yet. Avery and Charlemont Roads – this week measuring should be done. We are at the mercy of Eversource and Verizon for pole work.

Glenn Cardinal left the meeting at 7:03 p.m..

Sewer Commissioners Meeting – Rob opened the Sewer Commissioner’s Meeting at 7:03 p.m.. Dan Fleuriel said we have two pieces of equipment – two blowers – we downsized the equipment about ten years ago. There is still a good useful life in it. The paper mill in Colrain changed their system last year to a more efficient system. The two blowers we have should meet their needs. Ours is collecting dust since we took them out of service; not a big market for them. We could use their diffuser. It is a swap – offer the blowers. Kevin moved we approve the arrangement as Dan outline for us; Dena seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor. Rob closed the Sewer Commissioners Meeting at 7:11 p.m..

Dan Fleuriel left the meeting at 7:11 p.m..

- a. **Police Department Detail Policy** – Rob distributed materials to the Board.
- b. **Parking Ticket Discussion** - Rob will discuss with Jim.
- f. **Kopelman & Paige Letter** – Discussion about assessment letter. Letter signed.

4. **Town Administrator Updates** – Free Cash – Andrea said we are not yet certified in all categories which is fine.

5. **Items Not Anticipated by Chair 48 Hours Prior to Meeting** – Andrea said the Town got a letter about Cricket Field; will have Executive Session next meeting.

6. **Public Comment** – None.

7. **Volunteer Recognition** – Glenn Cardinal; Bridge of Flowers Road Race volunteers.

g. Town Highway Facility Purchase (Possible Executive Session) under M.G.L. Ch. 30A, Section 21, to consider the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real estate, as open meeting might have a detrimental effect on the negotiating position of the Town. At 7:29 p.m., Rob moved to go into Executive Session under M.G.L. Chapter 30A, Section 21, to consider the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real estate, as open meeting might have a detrimental effect on the negotiating position of the Town; Kevin seconded. Rob announced at the conclusion of the Executive Session, we will return to regular session to adjourn the meeting.

Roll Call: Rob – yes, Kevin – yes, Dena – yes.

Entered Executive Session at 7:29 p.m..

At 7:42 p.m., exited Executive Session. At 7:42 p.m., Dena moved to adjourn the meeting; Kevin seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor. Meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m..