

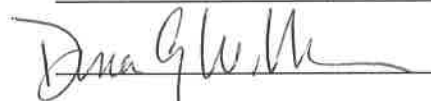
**BUCKLAND BOARD OF SELECTMEN**  
**MEETING MINUTES**  
**Buckland Town Hall**  
**August 9, 2016, 5:30 p.m.**

Kevin P. Fox



John R. Riggan

Dena G. Willmore



Attendees: Kevin Fox, Rob Riggan, Dena Willmore, Diane Broncaccio (*The Recorder*), Glenn Cardinal, Braden Johnson (*Shelburne Falls West County Independent News*), Andrea Llamas, Kate Snyder, James Sullivan (Falls Cable)

Rob Riggan opened the meeting at 5:30 p.m..

**2. Documents to Sign**

- a. **Selectmen Meeting Minutes: July 12, 2016** - Dena Willmore moved to sign the Meeting Minutes of July 12, 2016; Rob Riggan seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor.
- b. **State Primary Warrant** – Kevin Fox moved we sign the State Primary Warrant; Dena Willmore seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor.
- c. **Town Hall Use Application – Board of Health** – Submitted by Phoebe Walker. Kevin Fox moved we sign the Board of Health’s application for Use of Town Hall and waive the fee; Dena Willmore seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor.
- d. **Annual Dog Warrant** – Kevin Fox moved we sign the Annual Dog Warrant; Dena Willmore seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor.

**3. Agenda Items**

- b. **Collector/Treasurer Position** – Andrea Llamas said we received a formal letter from the Treasurer/Tax Collector who is retiring in September. Andrea Llamas proposed using a payroll service; suggested a Reserve Fund Request to pay for the service. Discussion about transition. Andrea Llamas will update the job description and advertise the position.

Diane Broncaccio entered the meeting at 5:40 p.m..

- c. **MBI Update** – Glenn Cardinal said there have been six weeks with no contact or information from MBI; our contact has been on maternity leave. Question of funds being reduced by 20% to rewire under-served towns – no answers yet. Glenn Cardinal said Peter Larkin mentions nothing about build-outs in a series of emails about \$1M being removed from the funding. No details on the contract they are negotiating for us. After they sign, it will be twenty-four months which Glenn Cardinal thinks is too long. Kevin Fox suggested formulating specific questions to Linda Dunlavy who is on the MBI Board of Directors; is the \$5million intact? Did they make a deal with Charter Cable, a RFQ and how is it funded? Did money get committed to towns outside the original nine towns? Glenn Cardinal said we will get a letter from WiredWest to withdraw. Seventeen towns will still be in the cooperative effort.

Glenn Cardinal left the meeting at 6:20 p.m..

- 4. **Town Administrator Updates** – Working on the Smith student transportation; down to one student.

5. Items Not Reasonably Anticipated by Chair 48 Hours in Advance of Meeting – Rob Riggan said the Fence Viewer and the Field Driver went to the Patnaude property; the process has started.

Kate Snyder, a resident of School Street entered the meeting at 6:25 p.m., saying she will be submitted a Street Use Permit request to close School Street on September 10, 2016, for a street party; will take up at our next meeting.

6. Public Comment – None.

7. Volunteer Recognition – Glenn Cardinal

8. Announcements – Bridge of Flowers Road Race is on Saturday, August 13, 2016; be prepared for road closings.

At 6:26 p.m., Kevin Fox moved to adjourn the meeting; Dena Willmore seconded. **VOTED** unanimously in favor. Meeting adjourned at 6:26 p.m..