

Board of Selectmen  
April 4, 2019  
Town Hall

Jonathan Keep  
Robert Czekanski  
Stanley Wysocki  
Don Lowe, Town Administrator  
Linda L. Day, Town Secretary

Mr. Keep called the Board of Selectmen's meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

#### APPOINTMENT OF RESERVE POLICE OFFICERS

Police Chief Nelson introduced and recommended that the Board of Selectmen appoint Laura Nussberger, a full-time campus Police Officer at Holy Cross; Dylan Reney, a Special Police Officer at St. Vincent's Hospital and Nikki Fahlbeck, a full-time Public Safety Dispatcher for the Marlboro Police Department as Reserve Officers. They will fill the three (3) Reserve Officer vacancies.

On a motion made by Wysocki and seconded by Czekanski, the Board of Selectmen voted to appoint Laura Nussberger, Dylan Reney and Nikki Fahlbeck as Reserve Police Officers for the Town of Bolton. (Keep- yes, Czekanski – yes, Wysocki – yes)

#### BOLTON LION'S TOLL BOOTH

On a motion made by Wysocki and seconded by Czekanski, the Board of Selectmen voted to approve the request of Mr. Pradip Patil to hold the Bolton Lion's Club toll booth in front of the Library on May 4<sup>th</sup>, from 8:00 a.m. to 12 noon, with a rain date of May 11, 2019. Police Chief Nelson has approved this event. (Keep- yes, Czekanski – yes, Wysocki – yes)

#### SIGN REQUEST, 207 GREEN ROAD

Mr. Czekanski recused himself from this discussion and left the meeting room because he is a direct abutter to Ms. Rona Balco. Ms. Balco requested permission to place a sign "Fiddlers Green Studio" at 207 Green Road advertising her studio. On a motion made by Wysocki and seconded by Keep, the Board of Selectmen voted to approve the sign as requested. (Keep- yes, Czekanski – yes, Wysocki – yes)

#### IMPLEMENTATION OF 5G (Fifth Generation of Electronics) or IoT (Internet of Things)

Ms. Janet Johnson met with the Board of Selectmen to ask for their assistance and guidance to develop protective community policies now that the US Congress has approved the implementation of 5G (Fifth Generation of Electronics) and IoT (Internet of Things). Ms. Johnson read prepared materials about the adverse health effects from the radiation that powers the wireless devices.

Mr. Erik Neyland, Planning Board Chairman stated that the only difference between 5G and 4G is the encoding and technically 5G actually reduces power. If you minimize the towers, the handset needs to be high powered to reach the tower.

Mr. Lowe stated that the Town can implement policies without a Town Meeting vote. The Board of Selectmen will continue to research and learn more about the issues.

#### TOWN ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

**Update on Minuteman:** No update

**Update on the Portico Project:** Activity continues on the portico project. The project is still on target for completion in June.

**FY20 Goal Setting for Town Administrator:** Mr. Lowe's goals for FY20 include Capital Planning Process; Fire/EMT Merger; Mass/Works Project; Master Plan; Town Hall Hours and Transfer Station Hours.

**Other Business:** Police Officer Keller will attend the two-week MSP Commercial Vehicle Enforcement certification class on April 29, 2019.

Mr. Lowe reported that the Town received nine (9) bids for the Long Hill Road culvert. The low bid was \$194,000 which is \$56,000 less than what was approved at the Town Meeting. The high bid was \$597,000.

#### BOARD OF SELECTMEN BUSINESS

**Public Service Announcements:** The Annual Town Meeting is Monday, May 6, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. at the Nashoba Regional High School Auditorium. The Annual Town Meeting warrant will be available on the Town website. The Annual Town Election is Monday, May 13, 2019 from noon to 8:00 p.m. at the Nashoba Regional High School Auditorium. If you can't be present for the Election there is a form on the Town Clerk's page on the Town of Bolton's website for absentee voting and ballots must be in the hands of the Town Clerk by 5:00 p.m. on May 13, 2019.

**Charge of Public Sewer Study Committee:** Mr. Lowe shared his memo from October, 2015 with the Board of Selectmen that outlined steps to be taken if the Town were to consider creating a sewer district. Mr. Wysocki stated that the treatment plant had been deemed for municipal use only and the excess capacity should be determined before a sewer district is created. Mr. Keep stated that there are a lot of unanswered questions and a Public Sewer Study Committee could do the research necessary. Mr. Keep stated that the current system has the capacity of 39,000 gallons and is using no more than 11,000 at this time.

Other than hearing of a potential hardship at the Cracker Barrel, Mr. Wysocki wasn't aware of any public health emergency. He stated that just because the owners were having trouble selling the Cracker Barrel it didn't mean that it was the town's responsibility to bail them out.

The DEP septic requirements will be explored and Mr. Mark Sprague, member of the prior Wastewater Treatment Plant Committee offered to review the existing files regarding the treatment plant with Mr. William Brookings, the Regional Board of Health agent.

**Appointment:** On a motion made by Wysocki and seconded by Czekanski, the Board of Selectmen voted to appoint Allysan Ingram as Associate member to the Zoning Board of Appeals. (Keep – yes, Czekanski – yes, Wysocki – yes)

**Bills/Payroll Warrants:** On a motion made by Wysocki and seconded by Czekanski, the Board of Selectmen voted to approve the bills/payroll warrants for W18-20, W18-20A, W19-20 and W19-20A. (Keep – yes, Czekanski – yes, Wysocki – yes)

**Minutes:** On a motion made by Wysocki and seconded by Czekanski, the Board of Selectmen voted to approve and release the executive session minutes of February 28, 2019. (Keep – yes, Czekanski – yes, Wysocki – yes)

On a motion made by Wysocki and seconded by Czekanski, the Board of Selectmen voted to adjourn. (Keep – yes, Czekanski – yes, Wysocki – yes)

Respectfully submitted by Linda L. Day