



Beacon Falls Board of Selectmen
10 Maple Avenue
Beacon Falls, CT 06403

BEACON FALLS BOARD OF SELECTMAN

Regular Meeting Minutes
May 09, 2022
(Subject to Revision)

Members Present:

G. Smith (**GS**), P. Betkoski (**PB**), M. Krenesky (**MK**)

Members Absent:

None

Others Present:

Doug Bousquet and Joann Delenick

- Call to Order / Pledge of Allegiance:
GS called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM and led the assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Read and Approved Minutes from Previous Meeting:
MK made a motion to approve the 04/11/22 Regular Meeting Minutes. **PB** seconded the motion. All ayes.
- Budget Transfer Requests:
G. Smith reviewed the budget transfers.
GS reviewed new Land Use Administrator position. Position has been filled and the person will be starting 05/12/2022. Discussion followed on other items in the budget transfers presented, totaling \$7,800.00
MK made a motion to approve the budget transfers as presented and forward them to the Board of Finance for review tomorrow evening. **PB** seconded the motion. All ayes.

#	<u>Transfer From</u>		<u>Transfer To</u>		<u>Amount</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	10.90.83.1170	Contingency	10.90.67.1122	WWTP - Heat & Water	\$ 1,000.00	To pay existing Dime Oil/Aquarion Bills. Maxed out our heating quantities so we are subject to market rates until 7/1 when we locked in. Automatic ordering has been shut off.
2	10.90.83.1170	Contingency	10.90.79.1120	Senior Center - Heating Oil	\$ 500.00	To pay existing Dime Oil bill. Maxed out our heating quantities so we are subject to market rates until 7/1 when we locked in. Automatic ordering has been shut off.
3	10.90.13.1235	Wage Salary Adjustments	10.90.03.1049	Overtime Custodian	\$ 800.00	To pay existing overage with slight cushion for emergencies only. Otherwise, OT has been frozen for remainder of FY.
4	10.90.13.1235	Wage Salary Adjustments	10.90.23.1041	Wages - IWWC Enforcement	\$ 3,000.00	To pay existing overage and estimating out the rest of the FY needs based on averages.
5	10.90.83.1170	Contingency	NEW	NEW	\$ 2,500.00	To hire new Land Use Administrator position budgeted for FY23 early in FY22 (starting 5/11/22) to handle workload. Hours were increased from 10 to 15 hours
Total					\$ 7,800.00	

- Resident Trooper/Police Report: **PB** made a motion to approve the report, as presented. **MK** seconded the motion. All ayes
- Wastewater Treatment Plant Report: **MK** made a motion to approve the report as presented. **PB** seconded the motion. All ayes.
- Report of Public Works: **MK** made a motion to approve the report as presented. **PB** seconded the motion. All ayes.
- Report of the Fire Marshal: **MK** made a motion to approve the report as presented. **PB** seconded the motion. All ayes.



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8. Report of the Finance Manager: **PB** made a motion to approve the report, as presented and forward it to the Board of Finance for review at their regular May meeting. **MK** seconded the motion. All ayes.
9. Report of the Tax Collector: **MK** made a motion to approve the report, as presented and forward it to the Board of Finance for review at their regular May meeting. **PB** seconded the motion. All ayes.
10. Report of the Town Treasurer: **PB** made a motion to approve the report as presented and forward it to the Board of Finance for review at their regular May Meeting. **MK** seconded the motion. All ayes.
11. Report of the Town Clerk: **MK** made a motion to approve the report as presented and forward it to the Board of Finance for review at their regular May Meeting. **PB** seconded the motion. All ayes.
12. Report from Economic Development: **PB** made a motion to approve the report, as presented. **MK** seconded the motion. All ayes.
13. Report of the Library: **MK** made a motion to approve the report as presented. **PB** seconded the motion. All ayes.
14. Report of the Fire Department: **MK** made a motion to approve the report as presented. **PB** seconded the motion. All ayes.
15. Other Departmental Reports:
 - a Report of the Custodian: **PB** made a motion to approve the report, as presented. **MK** seconded the motion. All ayes.
 - b Report of the Animal Control Officer: **PB** made a motion to approve the report as presented. **MK** seconded the motion. All ayes. Would like to see next month's meeting include state form.
 - c Board of Education: Not Received
16. Comments From the Public:

D. Bousquet, Cedar Circle – Q. when paving will begin? A. **GS** – Cook Ln should be starting by the end of this month for basins, paving complete by the end of June. Streets Dolly, Patricia, Coventry, and Diana to follow.
17. Reading of Correspondence & Payment of Bills:
 - a **GS** read from a packet sent by Zoning Enforcement Officer. Packet was sent from Steven Oday regarding a complaint he is making for the Subdivision project up on Fairfield Dr. Silt Fencing complaint about it being incomplete. **GS** mentioned needing to enforce completion of the road. Possibly put a date on it. Propose that if there is not significant headway in the completion of the cul-de-sac, the town would be left with no choice but to remediate the road. **MK** made motion to enforce the completion of the cul-de-sac. **PB** Seconded, all ayes.
 - b **GS** read letter from town resident thanking Beacon Hose for their efforts in helping his mother. Resident surprised Beacon hose with pizza.
 - c **GS** read email from resident M. Carroll. Letter included suggestions for various town issues discussed in previous meetings. **GS** will be addressing each matter individually in a letter back to her.
18. Old Business
 - a Burton Road — LOTCIP Project L006-0002 Burton Road Reconstruction and Retaining Wall Replacement: Currently at final design. **GS** has investigated redoing the sewers at this time as well because they are clay sewers. It will be an added maintenance item for the town. The signal down at the bottom of the hill has been approved as a separate project as to not slow the project down. A bid spec will be sent out for the sewers. Construction on Burton will begin in the next 30 days. The goal is to have at least one lane open by the end of the year and the wall repaired. **MK** posed question on where the sewer flows to? Paul will be looking into where it flows
 - b O&G Data Center: Currently in the waiting process.
 - c Speed Humps: **GS** would rather recourses be focused on Burton rd. for the time being.
19. Haynes Development: A grant for the road has been applied for.



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20. New Business:

- a. Charles Edwards Estate: **GS** recused himself from this discussion. Discussion carried between **MK** and **PB**. CE Estate is pursuing a property swap with the town for a portion of land on Lorraine Dr. **PB** made motion to accept 8-24 as presented and forward it to the Planning and Zoning Commission for further review and approval. **MK** Seconded. All ayes
- b. Lopus Rd. Solar Fee Calculation: Board Reviewed history on this matter. SOLAR PHOTOVOLTAIC ARRAY would like to review the current fee calculations for the development applications. **GS** would like this matter forwarded to Vin, Keith, and June. There are many questions to pose to June. Do we adjust the fee at all? How do you assess solar panel farms? Would like their input.
- c. WPCA Membership Review: Membership attendance has been an ongoing issue for this board. A quorum has often not been met. The board does not feel that they need to act to forcibly remove any one member at this time. However, the board feels that a formal letter needs to be sent out to every member of the board. This letter will state that the BOS has reviewed the WPCA board and meetings attendance. The BOS would implore the board members to step up and attend their meetings. If someone finds themselves unable to attend regularly, they are now being asked to resign from their position.
- d. Tax Refunds: None Received

21. Executive Session: None needed

22. Adjournment: **PB** made a motion to adjourn the Board of Selectman meeting at 7:57 PM. **MK** seconded the motion. All ayes.

Respectfully submitted,

Lauren A. Fennell
Clerk, Board of Selectmen