



Beacon Falls Board of Selectmen  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
July 11, 2022  
(Subject to Revision)  
C/O Town Clerk  
10 Maple Avenue Beacon Falls, CT 06403

**Members Present:**

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

**Members Absent:**

None

**Others Present:**

1 member of the public and 1 member of the media

1. **Call to Order / Pledge of Allegiance:**

GS called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and led the assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. **Read and Approved Minutes from Previous Meeting:**

Motion to approve the 06/13/2022 Regular Meeting Minutes as presented made by **MK**, seconded by **PB**. All ayes. Motion to approve the 06/27/2022 Special BOS meeting minutes as presented made by **MK**, seconded by **PB**. All ayes. Motion to approve the 07/06/2022 Special Town Meeting as presented made by **MK** seconded by **PB**. All ayes.

3. **Budget Transfer Requests:** GS reviewed the budget transfers. **PB** made a motion to approve the budget transfers as presented and forward them to the Board of Finance for review tomorrow evening. **MK** seconded the motion. All ayes.

#	<i>Transfer From</i>		<i>Transfer To</i>		<i>Amount</i>	<i>Description</i>
1	10.90.83.1170	Contingency	10.90.03.1070	Board & Commission Clerks	\$ 2,000.00	Additional meeting this FY; currently \$640 over budget with 15 more meetings for June.
2	10.90.37.1410	Property & Casualty Insurance	10.90.13.1256	Fire - Life and AD&D Insurance	\$ 6.75	Annual bill came in slightly higher
3	10.90.44.1436	Building Equipment & Repairs	10.90.44.1435	Building Maintenance	\$ 1,500.00	Transfers would cover pending purchases needed to close out FY22
4	10.90.44.1486	EMS Training	10.90.44.1485	Personal Protective Equipment	\$ 4,000.00	
5	10.90.44.1553	Dept Supplies - EMS	10.90.44.1552	Dept Supplies - Fire	\$ 4,000.00	
Total					\$ 11,506.75	

4. **Comments From The Public:** None

5. Motion to add the following items to new business.

19 C: Salary Adjustments

19 D: Summer Rec 2022

19 E: Edwards Estate

Motion made by **PB**, seconded by **MK**, all ayes.

6. **Resident Trooper/Police Report:** **MK** made a motion to approve the report, as presented. **PB** seconded the motion. All ayes

7. **Wastewater Treatment Plant Report:** **MK** made a motion to approve the report as presented. **PB** seconded the motion. All ayes.

8. **Report of Public Works:** **MK** made a motion to approve the report as presented. **PB** seconded the motion. All ayes.



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9. **Report of the Fire Marshal:** **MK** made motion to approve the May and June reports as presented. **PB** seconded the motion. All ayes.
10. **Report of the Finance Manager:** **MK** made a motion to approve the report, as presented and forward it to the Board of Finance for review at their regular July meeting. **PB** seconded the motion. All ayes.
11. **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 July meeting. **PB** seconded the motion. All ayes. Discussion followed on the vacant position being filled internally.
12. **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 July Meeting. **MK** seconded the motion. All ayes.
13. **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 July Meeting. **PB** seconded the motion. All ayes.
14. **Report from Economic Development:** None
15. **Report of the Library:** **MK** made a motion to approve the report as presented. **PB** seconded the motion. All ayes.
16. **Report of the Fire Department:** **PB** made a motion to approve the report as presented. **MK** seconded the motion. All ayes.
17. **Other Departmental Reports:**
  - a. **Report of the custodian:** Motion to approve the May report as presented made by **MK**, seconded by **PB**. All Ayes. June report unavailable. Custodian on vacation.
  - b. **Report of the animal control officer:** None
  - c. **Report of the BOE:** None
  - d. Motion to add the quarterly report of the Town Nurse to item number 17 E. made by **MK**, seconded by **PB**. All ayes.
  - e. **Report of the Town Nurse:** **MK** made a motion to approve the report as presented. **PB** seconded the motion. All ayes.
18. **Reading of Correspondence & Payment of Bills:**
  - a. **GS** read from an email received regarding the acquisition of the land for the Rimmon School House. A letter of rescission will need to be submitted from Nicole Deatra-Klarides. Clerk to reach out and request that she submit a letter on the town's behalf.
  - b. Email of intention was received from Joann Delenak stating her interest in joining the Conservation Commission.
  - c. Email of intention was received from Victor Santos stating his interest in joining the Conservation Commission.
  - d. Email from Selectman, Krenesky was submitted requesting a formal building committee be assembled for the Beacon Falls Historical Society on the Rimmon School House project. Discussion followed regarding the desired committee members.
19. **Old Business:**
  - a. **Burton Road — LOTCIP Project L006-0002 Burton Road Reconstruction and Retaining Wall Replacement:** The retaining wall replacement will be beginnings shortly. The rest of the reconstruction of the road has begun.
  - b. **O&G Data Center:** No Updates. Clerk to reach out to Bill Corvo to schedule a follow up meeting.
  - c. **Speed Humps:** **GS** spoke with resident trooper. BOS will be discussing road hump and SLOW sign with road foreman. Discussion followed on cost and potential benefits of both.
  - d. **Haynes Development:** There are no updates.



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- e. Lopus Rd. Fee Schedule Change: **GS** is waiting for clear direction from town assessor, June on how that will be assessed. Discussion followed on reaching out to surrounding areas on how they may have handled a matter such as this.

20. **New Business:**

- a. Appointments and Reappointments: Discussion followed about the current openings in the boards. There are two appointments. Motion to appoint Joann Delenick and Victor Santos to the Conservation Commission was made by **PB**, seconded by **MK**. All ayes.
- b. Tax Refunds: Motion to approve tax refunds totaling \$1,887.87 as presented made by **PB**, seconded by **MK**. All ayes.
- c. Salary Adjustments: Motion to approve the various previously discussed positions adjustments made by **MK**, seconded by **PB**. All ayes. Motion to approve the raise in the assistant camp director's salary to \$20.00/hr. made by **MK**, seconded by **PB**. All ayes. Motion amended to reflect that the motion is to approve the raise in the assistant camp director's hourly rate of \$20.00/hr. and the camp counselors raised to \$15.00/hr. **PB/MK**. All ayes.
- d. Charles Edwards Estate Land Swap: **GS** recused himself from the discussion. Update was given on where the matter stands. Town attorney Vincent Marino submitted the following resolution. *"To consider and act on authorizing Michael A. Krenesky to sign a Quit Claim Deed consisting of a portion of 21 portion of Lorraine Drive totaling about 6,367 sq. ft (0.146 acre) and any related documents prepared by Special Land Use Counsel associated with that certain land swap transaction between the Estate of Charles Edwards and the Town of Beacon Falls approved by the Town Meeting at a Special Town Meeting held on July 6, 2022 at 10 Maple Avenue in the Town of Beacon Falls."*  
Motion to accept the resolution as presented was made by **PB**, seconded by **MK**. All ayes.
- e. Tiverdand – **PB** brought up the current project being at a standstill. **GS** discussed plans to allow time for the current executor of the estate to move forward with his plans. Discussion followed about the status of the build. Discussed circling back to enforce movement on at least the cul-de-sac portion of the build in the event of the project remaining stagnant. **GS** will request that road foreman go to the site and assess what needs to be done for it to be safe to drive on. If it needs to be worked on, the town could reach out to SLR for a reclamation plan.

Point of information was discussed on the use of cannabis on town property. Ordinances were discussed. There is currently an odors and fumes ordinance set in place. This item was not added as a New Business item. Petition from the board to add this item to the agenda for the BOS meeting on 8/9/22.

21. **Executive Session**: None needed
22. **Adjournment**: **PB** made a motion to adjourn the Board of Selectman meeting at 7:54 PM. **MK** seconded the motion. All ayes.

Respectfully submitted,

Lauren A. Fennell  
Clerk, Board of Selectmen