

**TOWN OF BOLTON
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING TUESDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2018**

		Present	Absent
First Selectman	Sandra Pierog	X	
Deputy First Selectman	Robert Morra	X	
Selectman	Mike Eremita	X	
Selectman	Kim Miller		X
Selectman	Nicole Sullivan	X	
Administrative Officer	Joyce Stille	X	
Members of the Public	1	X	

1. Call to Order

By: Sandra Pierog

Time: 7:03 p.m.

Place: Town Hall

All stood to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Public Comment:

Barbara Amodio – Reported that volunteers from Bolton, Vernon, Coventry, and Manchester and Bolton worked together on the trails.

3. Approval of Minutes:

A. November 19, 2018 Regular Meeting

Motion: Move to approve the minutes of the November 19, 2018 meeting.

By: Morra

Seconded: Sullivan

Voting:

For: Pierog, Eremita, Morra, Sullivan

Against: None

Abstain: None

4. Correspondence:

None

5. Unfinished Business:

None

6. New Business:

A. Charter Oak Greenway Shared Use Path and Path Extension

Pierog reported that the Bike/Walk Bolton group did a significant amount of work on the Hop River Trail. There has been no closing date or grand opening date communicated as yet. She did notice that the bollards have been installed on Bolton Center Road.

B. Lower Bolton Lake Status Report

Stille reported that they have received a STEAP grant extension that runs until December 2020.

B. FY19 Budget

Bolton is doing very well in its collection rate compared to other towns. Budget figures are determined against 98% of the taxes to be collected. Current collection rate is 97.97%. Expenditures are at 36.63% through November which is in line with prior years expenditures.

C. Charter Revision Information

Stille provided a draft timeline for the Charter Revision as well as a document entitled Basic Steps For Revision The Municipal Charter. A mid-January retreat for the BOS will be scheduled. Items for discussion will include the Charter Revision, Notch Road Municipal Center and Town Hall.

The Charter Revision Commission can consist of five to fifteen members with no majority of any party. No more than one-third can hold a public office in Bolton. Potentially six people have volunteered to be on the commission.

E. Consider and Act on Budget Transfers and/or Appropriation Requests

Motion: Move to approve the budget transfer request for the Fire Department of \$4,500 from Repairs/Maintenance to Medical Expense/Training for EMT classes and recertification.

By: Morra

Seconded: Eremita

Voting:

For: Pierog, Eremita, Morra, Sullivan

Against: None

Abstain: None

7. Ongoing Business:

A. Subcommittee Reports

The minutes from Finance and Administration subcommittee meeting are in the packet. It will meet again on December 10, 2018 for continuing work on the blight ordinance. Also, discussion will occur on the Schools Activities Fund agreement with the BOE. A reminder was given about the Facilities & Public Safety meeting Thursday with the BOE about the fields and facilities.

B. Properties and Facilities

The engineer for the town garage upgrades determined there will not be an issue with the snow load.

A report is pending on the Notch Road Municipal Center building. An estimate is being sought on closing off the part of the building that will be kept. A plan is needed to figure out where the new offices will be located and when the move will take place. The fire department staircase is pending a report from the engineer regarding how to support it.

C. Revenue Sources

A. None

8. First Selectman's Report:

A. Other

9. Administrative Officer's Report:

A. Health Insurance Consortium

The towns that are participating in the consortium have agreed upon the drafted by-laws and operations. Three insurance companies returned proposals. Each town will keep their own plans with a single carrier being used by the consortium.

B. Other

Nathan Hale Greenway – There is an internal meeting next week with Coventry to discuss finalizing the report.

Crumbling foundations – A survey has been done. There are four known replacements completed. Two of these were for additions, not the full house foundation. Thirteen homes have paid for testing with two being denied. A State fund will begin awarding grants in January.

CRCOG is working on a 45-year Long Range Transportation plan. There is a Survey Monkey survey on the website asking what people feel is important in transportation. The survey is not specific to any town.

Congratulations was given to John Butrymovich for completing the Public Works Academy.

10. APPOINTMENTS:

Three people will need to be appointed or reappointed for the Ethics Commission. Board members feel it is important to retain the rule that members of this commission should not be on any board, commission, or be an employee of the Town of Bolton. That will impact two members who will not be able to serve on any it any longer.

12. ADJOURNMENT:

Motion: Move to adjourn the meeting at 7:56 p.m.

By: Morra

Seconded: Eremita

Voting:

For: Pierog, Eremita, Morra, Sullivan,

Against: None

Abstain: None

Respectfully Submitted,

Yvonne B. Filip

Yvonne B. Filip, Board of Selectmen Recording Secretary

Please see minutes of subsequent meetings for corrections to these minutes and any corrections hereto.