



# Town of Bolton

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**BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
THURSDAY, APRIL 8, 2021  
7:00 P.M. - VIRTUAL  
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

The April 8, 2021 special meeting was called to order at 7:02 PM.

## ROLL CALL

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** First Selectman Sandra Pierog, Deputy First Selectman Kim Miller, Selectman Bob DePietro, and Selectman Michael Eremita.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Gwen Marrion, Emily Bradley, Adam Teller, Jay Brudz, Milton Hathaway, James Aldrich, Richard Hayes, and Administrator Joshua Steele Kelly.

## APPOINTMENT OF A TREASURER

**MOTION** by Pierog, seconded by Eremita, to appoint Jill Collins as the Treasurer of the Town of Bolton.

**VOTING IN FAVOR:** Unanimous.

## DISCUSSION ON CHARTER REVISION COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS

### Section 3.5 – Town Elections, Terms of Commissions and Boards

Eremita stated that he supports the change in term for the Board of Selectmen, he supports the increase in Selectmen so long as there is a decrease in the number of people elected to the Board of Finance, and he is opposed to the Commission's proposal to eliminate losing First Selectman candidates as prospective Selectmen candidates. Miller expressed her agreement with Eremita on the final item in this section. DePietro stated that he is opposed to all issues presented under this section, stating that four years is too long a term for the Board of Selectmen. Discussion continued.

### Section 3.1 (B) – Town Elections

Dialogue occurred between Board and Commission members. Ultimate decision of the Board was to support the recommendations made in this section as presented.

### Section 7.1 (A) – Boards and Commissions in the Charter

Milton Hathaway spoke against the removal of the Economic Development Commission from the Charter. (Eremita left just before 8:00 PM to take a call from the Fire Department). Several Selectmen asked questions of Charter Revision Commission members about their rationale for each recommendation under this section, and several Commission members gave their input. The Board

expressed its support for all recommendations but specifically stated that they would postpone further discussion on the combination of the Planning & Zoning and Inland Wetlands Commissions until the next meeting.

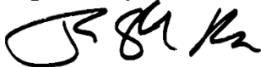
#### Section 3.5 – Town Elections, Terms of Commissions and Boards

Pierog stated that she does not believe the proposed changes to the Board of Finance correct issues that she sees with the budget process, and thus she suggested that the Board of Finance be maintained as-is. DePietro stated that he agreed that the Board of Finance should remain intact. Miller stated that she sees merit in the proposed changes. Commission members and other members of the public provided commentary on their reasoning for the recommendations. It was decided that a decision would not be made until all Selectmen could be present.

Consensus was reached to poll the absent Selectmen about whether 5:00 PM on Monday, April 12<sup>th</sup>, would work for a next meeting date and time.

The meeting adjourned at 8:31 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J. Steele Kelly', written in a cursive style.

Joshua Steele Kelly, Administrator

*See minutes of subsequent meetings for approval of these minutes and any corrections hereto.*