

**BOLTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN
SPECIAL MEETING – A/P
6:00 PM, AUGUST 27, 2024
BOLTON TOWN HALL, 222 BOLTON CENTER ROAD
In-Person and Virtual (Hybrid Format)**

MOTIONS

Board of Selectmen Members Present In-Person: First Selectman Rodney Fournier, Deputy First Selectman Robert Morra, Tim Sadler, Amanda Gordon, Mather Clarke

Board of Selectmen Absent: Pamela Sawyer, Gwen Marrion

Staff Present In-Person: Town Administrator James Rupert

Staff Present Via Zoom: Recording Secretary Linda H. McDonald

Others Present Via Zoom: James Loersch

Others Present In-Person: Town Attorney Richard Barger, Attorney Dorian Famigletti and several others

1. Call to Order: R. Fournier called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

2. Consider and Act on A/P Report:

A. Gordon MOVED that the Board of Selectmen accept the 2023/2024 fiscal year A/P report in the amount of \$54,844.00. R. Morra SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 5:0:0.

A. Gordon MOVED that the Board of Selectmen accept the 2024/2025 fiscal year A/P report in the amount of \$276,723.06. R. Morra SECONDED.

A. Gordon amended her motion and MOVED Board of Selectmen accept the 2024/2025 fiscal year A/P report in the amount of \$276,723.06 minus \$4,936.52. R. Morra SECONDED the amended motion. MOTION CARRIED 5:0:0.

3. Consider and Act on Budget Transfers

4. Consider and Act on Bid Waiver for Safety Marking LLC:

R. Morra MOVED that the Board of Selectmen waive the bid for Safety Marking LLC due to the process the town utilizes in the state bidding process allows the town to get the best price out there. A. Gordon SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 5:0:0.

5. Consider and Act on hiring Mary Huda as a Consultant on the Tax Issue:

A. Gordon MOVED the Board of Selectmen approve funds to hire Mary Huda for up to five hours for \$1,325 to assist the town with the work on the tax assessment issue. For discussion purposes, R. Morra SECONDED.

A. Gordon amended her motion and MOVED the Board of Selectmen create a contract with Mary Huda for up to ten hours for \$2,650 to assist the town with the work on the tax assessment issue. R. Morra SECONDED the amended motion. MOTION CARRIED 5:0:0.

6. Consider and Act on Paggioli Application for a Driveway off Enrico Road:

R. Morra made the following motion:

After consideration of the evidence presented in this matter, including the testimony and exhibits as well as the cogent arguments presented by both counsel for the applicant and counsel for the abutters, the advice of the Town Attorney, and considering the fact that the Town's subdivision regulations do not support the application, but also considering the fact the Town has previously permitted driveways in future rights-of-way on at least three occasions, denying the instant application would be treating the applicant unequally under the law in violation of the Equal Protection Clause of the 14th Amendment of the United States Constitution, I MOVE to approve the application subject to the applicant following all applicable Town driveway requirements as well as those specified requirements set forth in the applicant's filed driveway plans.

T. Sadler SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 5:0:0.

7. Communications: CIRMA Check

A. Gordon MOVED that the Board of Selectmen cancel the September 3, 2024 regular meeting and instead have the as-scheduled A/P special meeting on September 10, 2024 and roll everything into that one meeting, and hopefully as allowable by law to include public comment in the September 10th special meeting. R. Morra SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 5:0:0.

8. Adjournment: A. Gordon MOVED to adjourn the meeting at 6:28 p.m. R. Morra SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 5:0:0.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 10, 2024 at Town Hall and via Zoom. Time to be determined.

Respectfully submitted by Linda H. McDonald

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