

**TOWN OF BOLTON
BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING
Tuesday, June 30, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.
Town Hall & Zoom Meeting
MEETING MINUTES**

	ROSTER	IN-PERSON	ZOOM	ABSENT
FIRST SELECTMAN:	Rodney Fournier	X		
SELECTMEN:	Bryce Aaronson	X		
	Mather Clarke			X
	David Cowles	X		
	Robert DePietro		X	
	Gwen Marrion	X		
	Tim Sadler	X		

STAFF:	James Rupert, Town Administrator
	Stephanie Smigala, Interim Finance Director

1.0 Call to Order:

First Selectman Rodney Fournier called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2.0 Public Comment: None.

3.0 Appointments & Resignations:

a. S. Kamara – Admin Asst/Social Media Coord. (Resignation)

Selectman B. Aaronson **MOVED to ACCEPT** the resignation of Suellen Kamara. The BOS thanked Ms. Kamara for her four (4) years of public service with the Town of Bolton. Selectman T. Sadler

SECONDED; MOTION CARRIED; 5:0:0

Yea	Fournier, Aaronson, Cowles, Marrion, Sadler
Nay	0
Abstain	0

b. Carole Franco – Senior Citizen’s Commission (Resignation)

Selectman B. Aaronson **MOVED to ACCEPT** the resignation of Carole Franco. The BOS thanked Ms. Franco for her public service with the Town of Bolton. Selectman T. Sadler **SECONDED;**

MOTION CARRIED; 5:0:0

Yea	Fournier, Aaronson, Cowles, Marrion, Sadler
Nay	0
Abstain	0

- c. **Leslie Shea - Senior Citizen's Commission (Full-Time Reappointment)**
- d. **Cheryl Udin - Senior Citizen's Commission (Full-Time Reappointment)**

Selectman D. Cowles **MOVED to REAPPOINT** Leslie Shea and Cheryl Udin as full-time members of the Senior Citizen's Commission. Selectman T. Sadler **SECONDED**;

MOTION CARRIED; 5:0:0

Yea	Fournier, Aaronson, Cowles, Marrion, Sadler
Nay	0
Abstain	0

- e. **Elizabeth Malone- Fire Commission (Full-Time Reappointment)**

Selectman D. Cowles **MOVED to REAPPOINT** Elizabeth Malone as full-time member of the Fire Commission. Selectman B. Aaronson **SECONDED**;

MOTION CARRIED; 5:0:0

Yea	Fournier, Aaronson, Cowles, Marrion, Sadler
Nay	0
Abstain	0

- f. **Alan Bicknell – Conservation Commission (Full-Time Reappointment)**

Selectman D. Cowles **MOVED to REAPPOINT** Alan Bicknell as full-time member of the Conservation Commission. Selectwoman G. Marrion **SECONDED**;

MOTION CARRIED; 5:0:0

Yea	Fournier, Aaronson, Cowles, Marrion, Sadler
Nay	0
Abstain	0

- g. **Paula Lynn – Heritage Farm Commission (Full-Time Reappointment)**
- h. **Arlene Fiano- Heritage Farm Commission (Full-Time Reappointment)**
- i. **Kevin Drake - Heritage Farm Commission (Alternate Reappointment)**

Selectman D. Cowles **MOVED to REAPPOINT** Paula Lynn & Arlene Fiano as full-time members and Kevin Drake as alternate members of the Heritage Farm Commission.

Selectwoman G. Marrion **SECONDED; MOTION CARRIED; 5:0:0**

Yea	Fournier, Aaronson, Cowles, Marrion, Sadler
Nay	0
Abstain	0

- j. **David Lynn – Inland Wetlands Commission (Full-Time Reappointment)**
- k. **Diane DeNunzio- Inland Wetlands Commission (Full-Time Reappointment)**
- l. **Ross Lally – Inland Wetlands Commission (Full-Time Reappointment)**

Selectman D. Cowles **MOVED to REAPPOINT** David Lynn, Diane DeNunzio, & Ross Lally as full-time members of the Inland Wetlands Commission

B. Aaronson **SECONDED; MOTION CARRIED; 5:0:0**

Yea	Fournier, Aaronson, Cowles, Marrion, Sadler
Nay	0
Abstain	0

4.0 Approval of Minutes:

a. June 2, 2026 – BOS Regular Meeting with A/P.

Selectwoman G. Marrion **MOVED to APPROVE** the June 2, 2026, BOS Regular Meeting Minutes with A/P. Selectman B. Aaronson **SECONDED**;

Discussions:

- Correction to the motion on page 4 of 7, 6d, Selectman D. Cowles was noted as voting 'Yea' when he was not present at the June 2, 2026, meeting.

MOTION CARRIED; 4:0:0

Yea	Fournier, Aaronson, Marrion, Sadler
Nay	0
Abstain	Cowles

****Selectman R. DePietro joined the meeting approximately at 6:09 PM****

b. June 16, 2026 – BOS with A/P.

Selectman T. Sadler **MOVED to APPROVE** the June 16, 2026, BOS Meeting Minutes with A/P. Selectman B. Aaronson **SECONDED**;

MOTION CARRIED; 5:0:0

Yea	Fournier, Aaronson, Cowles, DePietro, Sadler
Nay	0
Abstain	Marrion

5.0 New Business:

a. Consider and Act on the Revised Town Proper Budget (Capital Budget previously acted upon).

Interim Finance Director S. Smigala presented revised town budget calculations and reviewed with detail departmental changes, including original requests, reductions, and final figures. No new action is required on the capital budget.

Selectman D. Cowles **MOVED to APPROVE** the Town Proper FY26-27 Budget at \$7,383,598.
Selectman T. Sadler **SECONDED; MOTION CARRIED; 6:0:0**

Yea	Fournier, Aaronson, Cowles, DePietro, Marrion, Sadler
Nay	0
Abstain	0

b. Presentation for Facilities Study – July 14 or 21, 2026, at 6 PM.

STV facility study presentation to be held: July 14, 2026, at 6:00 PM

6.0 Consider and Act on A/P:

Selectman D. Cowles **MOVED to APPROVE** both account payable amounts:

- \$133,284.06 minus \$3,386.50 (withholding STV invoice dated June 16, 2026)
- \$37,020.73.

Selectwoman T. Sadler **SECONDED;**

Discussions:

G. Marrion, Page 12 – Concerned that the BOS hasn't seen a draft or final work product from STV for scope of work related to the Facilities Study. Town Administrator J. Rupert stated that he and town staff have reviewed draft work on two occasions, and the final bill has yet been paid.

MOTION CARRIED; 6:0:0

Yea	Fournier, Aaronson, Cowles, DePietro, Marrion, Sadler
Nay	0
Abstain	0

7.0 Consider and Act on Budget Transfers:

Selectman D. Cowles **MOVED to TRANSFER** \$27,000, \$1,600, and \$2,700 from Land Use to Police (due to higher police costs from personnel changes). Selectman T. Sadler **SECONDED; MOTION CARRIED; 6:0:0**

Yea	Fournier, Aaronson, Cowles, DePietro, Marrion, Sadler
Nay	0
Abstain	0

Selectman D. Cowles **MOVED to TRANSFER** \$20,000 from Personnel Services to Administration.
Selectwoman G. Marrion **SECONDED; MOTION CARRIED; 6:0:0**

Yea	Fournier, Aaronson, Cowles, DePietro, Marrion, Sadler
Nay	0
Abstain	0

Selectman D. Cowles **MOVED to TRANSFER** \$6,900 from Sand & Salt to Gasoline subcategories within the department of Public Works.

Selectman B. Aaronson **SECONDED; MOTION CARRIED; 6:0:0**

Yea	Fournier, Aaronson, Cowles, DePietro, Marrion, Sadler
Nay	0
Abstain	0

Selectman D.
Cowles **MOVED**

to TRANSFER \$3,900 from Fire Security to Uniforms subcategories within the Fire Commission.

Selectman B. Aaronson **SECONDED; MOTION CARRIED; 6:0:0**

Yea	Fournier, Aaronson, Cowles, DePietro, Marrion, Sadler
Nay	0
Abstain	0

Selectman D. Cowles **MOVED to TRANSFER** \$5,500 from Personnel Services to Auditing for FY 25 auditing services.

Selectman B. Aaronson **SECONDED; MOTION CARRIED; 6:0:0**

Yea	Fournier, Aaronson, Cowles, DePietro, Marrion, Sadler
Nay	0
Abstain	0

The remaining transfers are informational and below the \$2,000 threshold for BOS approval.

- \$500 (Office Supplies to Police)
- \$675 (General Surplus Police to Other Contract Police)
- \$68.84 (Town Clerk Office Supplies to Advertising)

8.0 Old Business:

a. Executive Session: Town Administrator FMLA.

Selectman G. Marrion **MOVED to START** Executive Session at 6:37 PM and invite the Town Administrator J. Rupert and Interim Finance Director S. Smigala to participate.

Selectman T. Sadler **SECONDED; MOTION CARRIED; 6:0:0**

Yea	Fournier, Aaronson, Cowles, DePietro, Marrion, Sadler
Nay	0
Abstain	0

9.0 Adjourn:

Consensus to Adjourn **at 7:35 PM. MOTION CARRIED 6:0:0.**

Respectfully submitted by Andrea Vassallo, Recording Clerk

Andrea Vassallo

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