

Town of Winchester
Board of Selectmen
Regular Meeting
November 1, 2021

Item 1. Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Perez.

Attendance: Sel. Arcelaschi, Sel. Bird, Sel. Bouchard, Sel. Bourque, Sel. Groppo, Sel. Perez and Sel. Sedlack. Town Manager, Josh Kelly and Finance Director, Bruce Stratford,

Item 2. Pledge of Allegiance.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Item 3. Agenda Review - NO CHANGE

Item 4. Approval of Minutes

A). Minutes of Regular Meeting on October 18, 2021.

Motion by Sel. Bouchard, seconded by Sel. Groppo

To approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting on October 18, 2021.

UNANIMOUS

Motion by Sel. Bourque, seconded by Sel. Arcelaschi

To approve the minutes of the Special Town Meeting on October 18, 2021.

UNANIMOUS

Item 5. Citizens' Comments. No Participants

Item 6. Town Manager's Report

The Town Manger presented to the Board updates on the past two weeks in Town Hall, 508 Main Street, American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA), Blight, Communities Challenge Grant, Blight issues, Poles on Main Street, discussion Noise Ordinance, all Ordinances and General Code along with future meetings.

Item 7. Correspondence NONE

Item 8. Boards and Commissions

Sel. Sedlack placed into consideration William Hudock (D) as a permanent member of the Torrington Area Health District Board term to expire 4/2024.

Sel. Sedlack placed into consideration Bryan Sundie (R) as a permanent member of the Recreation Board term to expire 4/2027.

Motion by Sel. Sedlack, seconded by Sel. Bouchard

To appoint Troy LaMere (R) as an alternate member of the Board of Assessment Appeals term to expire 3/2024.

Motion by Sel. Sedlack placed into nomination Tim McGrane (U) as a member of the Recreation Board term to expire 4/2027.

Motion by Sel. Sedlack, seconded by Sel. Groppo

To appoint Leeanne Marvin (D) as a member of the Inland Wetland and Watercourses term to expire 4/2024

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Motion by Sel. Sedlack, seconded by Sel. Bird.

To appoint Sandra Griswold (D) as an alternate to the Zoning Board of Appeals term to expire 12/2026.

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Motion by Sel. Sedlack, seconded by Sel. Bourque.

To re-appoint Willard Platt (U) as a member of the Planning & Zoning Commission term to expire 10/2026.

UNANIMOUS

Motion by Sel. Sedlack seconded by Sel. Groppo

To acknowledge the Town Manager's appointment of Jim Welton from a regular member to an alternate on Economic Development Commission term to expire 4/2026.

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Motion BY Sel. Sedlack, seconded by Sel. Arcelaschi

To acknowledge the Town Manager's appointment of Kevin O'Connell from an alternate member to a regular member of the Economic Development Commission term to expire 4/2023.

UNANIMOUS

Motion by Sel. Sedlack, seconded by Sel. Bouchard

To re-appoint Anthony Paige as a member of the Housing Authority term to expire 4/2026.

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Item 7. Correspondence - NONE

Item 9. Unfinished Business - NONE

Item 10. New Business

A). 21-74 Proposed Line-item Transfer (Town Manager Kelly).

Motion by Sel. Arcelaschi, seconded by Sel. Sedlack

I move that the Board of Selectmen approve the line-item transfers from \$6,000 General Labor (1-812-194-0000) to \$6,000 Maintenance of Grounds (1-812-827-0000).
UNANIMOUS

B). RRDD1 issues with MIRA (Municipal Services Agreement). NO ACTION TAKEN

C). 21-75 - Proposed Line-Item Transfers (with attachment).

Motion by Sel. Bouchard, seconded by Sel. Bird.

I move that the Board of Selectmen approve the line-item transfers from \$200 General Labor (1-811-194-0000) to \$200 Replacement Displays (1-811-596-0001).
UNANIMOUS

D). CARES ACT expenditures - An overview of the CARES ACT expenditures was given by the Financial Director, Bruce Stratford with a question-and-answer period that followed.

E). 21-76 Refunds as Recommended by Collector of Revenues (Town Manager Kelly).

Motion by Sel. Groppo, seconded by Sel. Bird.

To authorize the refunds recommended by the Collector of Revenue, Halaree Monnerat, in the amount of \$1,128.87.
UNANIMOUS

F). Expenditures from BOS Contingency Fund for Winter Main Street Decorations.

Motion by Sel. Perez seconded by Sel. Bird

To approve the expenditure of up to \$5,000 from the Selectmen's Contingency Fund for Winter Main Street Decorations.
UNANIMOUS

Item 11. Citizens' Comments

State Representative, Jay Case and John Wiarda.

Item 12. Selectmen's Comments and Reports

Mayor Perez noted the passing of Kenneth Fracasso with a moment of silence.

Reminded everyone about the Ceremony for our Veterans in the Park.

Sel. Bourque reminded everyone about the celebrations that will take place at the Soldier's Monument starting at 2:00 p.m. and the 250th Celebrations to take place at The Gilbert School on November 13th. At 6:30 p.m.

Sel. Arcelaschi was joined by the other Selectmen in thanking Sel. Bird for her service on the board and all wished her well.

Item 13 Adjournment

Motion by Sel. Sedlack, seconded by Sel. Arcelaschi

To adjourn the meeting at 8:05 p.m.

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