

The Town of Bolton Board of Selectmen, hereinafter the “BOS” held its regular meeting on September 4, 2012 at the Town Hall with First Selectman Robert Morra presiding. Also in attendance were: Selectmen Robert Neil, Robert Lessard, Leslie Shea and Ray Walker. Also present were Arlene Fiano; Gwen Marrion, Chair, Open Space Committee; John Pagini, Director of Community Development; Administrative Officer Joyce Stille; and approximately 25 residents.

1. Call to Order

Mr. Morra called the meeting to order at 7:01 P.M.

2. Public Comment:

Gwen Marrion shared with the board information regarding other towns that are able to bond for an amount of money that can be used at a later time to purchase open space. Ms. Marrion also shared with the board that the Open Space Committee and the Economic Development Commission are working together to create a pamphlet that highlights local farmers.

Selectman, Ray Walker shared with the board that a 9/11 Service will be taking place on the town green on September 11th at 6:30 p.m.

3. Approval of Minutes:

August 7, 2012 Meeting

A motion was made by Ms. Shea, seconded by Mr. Neil to approve the aforementioned minutes as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

4. Correspondence:

None.

5. Unfinished Business

None.

6. New Business:

A. Lower Bolton Lake Planning Discussion

Ms. Stille gave a brief presentation regarding a proposed action plan (attachment 6.A.) After the presentation, lake residents discussed the following issues:

- Susan Cardile, Llynwood Drive, asked about utilizing the 911 reverse contact system that Vernon uses; the town will explore the capabilities of the new Everbridge System. Additionally, Ms. Cardile shared that a formal Lake Association would be a lengthy process due to having to deed into each property, therefore the residents will continue with an informal association and the town will look into the legal aspects of creating a formal Lake Association.
- Kim Welch, 51 Vernon Road, volunteered to walk door to door to residents that may not know about the current issues. Many of the residents are Vernon residents; however they are part of a different Health District. Ms. Welch shared that if a formal association is organized, it would be easier to apply for grants.
- Ms. Stille reported that the application has been submitted for the drawdown; however no response has been received.
- Mark Turkington, 26 Llynwood Drive, asked about removal of the detached weeds; Ms. Stille responded that until the BOS meet with the consultant and DEEP they could not consider it, the town was previously advised not to harvest the weeds
- Ron Vernier, 50 Llynwood Drive, reported that residents have removed approximately 30

yards of weeds that are located at Rosedale Beach. Mr. Morra reported that town staff will bring equipment in to remove it.

- Jerry Lalancette, 1 Lakeside Lane, asked why a professional harvester would not be hired to remove the weeds 2-3 feet down; Mr. Morra responded that there is not funds available for the \$20,000-\$50,000 expense.
- Lauren Lalancette, 1 Lakeside Circle, asked about the fanwort; George Knoecklein reported that there were 3 areas of Fanwort, however the divers only found it in 1 out of the 3 areas
- Ms. Cardile asked about increased testing; increased quadrant testing will begin once the microorganism numbers decrease
- Mr. Lalancette asked if a group of residents jointly purchased a harvester, would the town allow them to use it on the lake, store it and provide a dump truck to remove what is harvested; Mr. Morra responded that the state would have to give permission to use it on the lake; as far as storing it and providing dump truck, it would have to be looked into; Ms. Stille responded that if the long term plan solved the issue, it may not be worth purchasing

A motion was made by Mr. Neil, seconded by Ms. Shea to adopt the Action Plan as presented regarding the Lower Bolton Lake. Motion unanimously passed.

B. Discussion on Draft Conservation & Development Policies: A Plan for Connecticut

Mr. Pagini gave a brief presentation regarding the Conservation and Development Policies. After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Lessard, seconded by Mr. Neil to accept the draft comments and recommendation with a modification to extend the Village Growth Area to Loomis and add frontage lots of Hebron Road, Bolton Center Road, and the west side of Notch Road and to forward back to Planning and Zoning Commission for concurrence. Motion unanimously passed. A special BOS meeting will be scheduled for adoption.

C. FY13 Budget Report

The board reviewed the month end budget summary by department.

D. Consider and Act on Appropriation and/or Transfer Request(s)

None.

7. Ongoing Business

A. Subcommittee Reports

The board reviewed minutes from the August 13th and August 29th informational meetings. A motion was made by Ms. Shea, seconded by Mr. Walker to adopt the minutes as presented. Motion unanimously passed.

B. Bolton Lakes Sewer Project

Mr. Morra updated the board on the sewer project. Letters to connect to Phase I should go out by the end of the month.

C. Properties and Facilities

Replacement of the boiler at the Notch Road Municipal Center has been awarded to B.T. Lindsey.

Ms. Stille distributed a copy of the budget for Bolton Heritage Farm Weekend received from Sandra Pierog. Ms. Stille offered the parking lot at town hall to park the trailers after the parade. Ms. Stille also shared that due to the number of political advertisements, there may not be time to send out a bulk mailing. Ms. Fiano is looking into an expedited service, and will forward that information along to Ms. Stille once she has all the information. Ms. Fiano also shared that in case of inclement

weather, the farmers market will take place at the Bolton Center School. Ms. Fiano will follow up with the superintendent's office regarding the charges that may be involved.

D. Revenue Sources

None.

8. First Selectmen's Report:

Lake Street Meeting

Mr. Morra reported there was a meeting with DOT regarding Cider Mill Road/Lake Street area. DOT is considering a modification, including lowering the height of the curve for better visibility and decrease the sharpness of the curve. The project would be funded by DOT. DOT is expected to come back to the town with an actual plan that would have to go to Public Hearing.

9. Administrative Officer's Report

A. 2011 Regional Performance Incentive Grant Awards

Ms. Stille reported that CRCOG received approximately \$1.5 million for the regional GIS Data Development, \$400,000 for technical improvements to the CRCOG Law Enforcement Data Sharing Project, and \$150,000 for study of local government "back office" operations.

B. VCI Grant

Ms. Stille reported that the study will concentrate on the center of town; however the town will reach out to other areas such as the Fire Department and schools to serve on the ad hoc committee.

10. Appointments

None.

11. Adjournment

A motion was made by Mr. Neil, seconded by Mr. Lessard to adjourn the meeting at 9:46 P.M. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Heidi Bolduk
Board Clerk

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