

Meeting Attendance: Chair Michelle Perlee, John "Peeker" Heffernan, Joel Bouvier, Peter Coffey, Ted Lylis, Town Administrator Therese Kirby, filmed for NEAT TV by Shawn Kimball, Jim Quaglino, Fire Chief Brett LaRose, First Assistant Chief Eric Forand, Second Assistant Chief Kevin LaRose and Captain Amos Martin.

1. At 7:00 pm Chair Michelle Perlee called the meeting to order. Under public forum, Jim Quaglino commended the Selectboard for moving forward with the business park.
2. Discussion regarding the draft policy to appoint the Fire Chief and First Assistant Chief. Peter Coffey stated he is opposed to term limits and questioned a candidate not being a resident of Bristol, but relocating within six months. Therese Kirby stated the term limit of 10 years was something Peeker Heffernan had added to a previous draft of the policy. Peeker stated there have been studies which have proven after five to seven years, Chief's can lose their effectiveness. Joel Bouvier wanted to know the difference between someone being appointed and being hired. Therese stated the appointment is outlined in State Statutes, being hired for this position is not. Chief Brett LaRose spoke in opposition to term limits. Peter Coffey supports appointing the position of Fire Chief, as the Chief is responsible for over a million dollars of apparatus, hundreds of thousands of dollars in equipment and will be taking over a 3.19 million dollar building. In his experience, it can be difficult to make tough decisions to support the best interest of the Town and department, when you are worried about upsetting the wrong people and not getting reelected in January. The following changes were made to the draft policy: word Bylaws changed to Policies, applicant must be willing to relocated in 3 months instead of 6 months, Emergency Management Deputy changed to Emergency Management Representative, favorable annual review of Town Administrator and added Selectboard to that line, removed sentence regarding automatic renewal of term and term limit of 10 years and added language that candidates will reapply after 3 years. In the future, initial appointments will have a one year probationary period, however in the case of the current Chief and First Assistant Chief; the Selectboard decided that won't be necessary. Peter Coffey asked to see the policy updated with tonight's changes on their June 13, 2016 agenda. Therese Kirby informed the Selectboard that Brett LaRose is the 2016 American Legion Fire Fighter of the year. He was nominated by his peers. The Selectboard congratulated him.
3. After a discussion with Zoning Administrator Eric Forand, Peter Coffey moved to appoint Anna Daylor to a three year term on the Planning Commission. Peeker Heffernan seconded, so voted.
4. Ted Lylis moved to approve ACORN's request to use the roads for the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Tour de Farms on September 18, 2016, as long as riders are instructed to follow the rules of the road and they list the Town of Bristol as an additional insured on their policy. Peeker Heffernan seconded, so voted.
5. Joel Bouvier moved to approve the American Legion's request to extend their outside consumption permit hours on July 3, 2016 from 9 pm to 11 pm. Ted Lylis seconded, so voted.

6. Peter Coffey moved to approve the request to “Turn the Town Teal” in support of ovarian cancer for the month of September. Joel Bouvier seconded, so voted. Therese noted this would be Bristol’s third year of participation.
7. Ted Lylis moved to approve the minutes of May 16, 2016 as corrected. Peter asked Michelle if these were just grammatical corrections or statement that would require them to reread minutes before approval. Michelle said they were grammatical errors only. Peeker Heffernan seconded, so voted.
8. The Selectboard authorized an accounts payable warrant of \$60,549.55. Therese requested Selectboard permission to pay an invoice to Gerry’s Fine Cabinetry for his work at the new fire facility, if necessary. Ted Lylis moved to authorize the Town Treasurer to issue a check in payment of a \$9,000.28 invoice to Gerry’s Fine Cabinetry if necessary. Peter Coffey seconded, so voted.
9. Ted Lylis moved to authorize the following Special Event Permits for June 18, 2016 for Pocock Rocks: Fiddlehead Brewing, Burlington Beer, Appalachian Gap Distillery, Stone Corral Brewery, Junebug Pies (d/b/a Cubber’s), Zero Gravity Craft Brewery, Shacksbury, Inc. (d/b/a Shacksbury Cider) and Go America Go Beverages (d/b/a Whistle Pig Whiskey). Joel Bouvier seconded, so voted.
10. Selectboard Concerns:
  - ~ Joel Bouvier noted there is still Omya material sliding after a heavy rain at the landfill. Therese said she would reach out to Green Mountain Engineering. He would also like the Road Foreman to start locking a gate to the Town Garage at the end of the day and on the weekends. Therese said when she and the Road Foreman last spoke of this issue he was not in favor. Therese will speak with him again and bring his concerns to the Selectboard.
  - ~Ted Lylis wanted to know the background on the crosswalk at the Village Creme Stand. Therese explained it is not a legal crosswalk, as it does not connect two sidewalks and people can park beside it. Peeker said in the past, Tom Wallace was not willing to give up the necessary parking spots; which he understood, but made it impossible for us to legally install the crosswalk. Peeker suggested seeing if a crosswalk could be installed coming off Maple Street to the South side of West Street. It would entail installing truncated domes on the North Side and two sections (one with truncated domes) on the South side. It may also need landowner permission. He also feels this work would have to be done at Wallace’s expense. Therese will reach out to Tom and Claire.
11. Town Administrator’s Report:
  - ~Is the Selectboard interested in the Police Chief exploring an ordinance on charging for false alarms. The Board said yes and Peter Coffey suggested the Chief work with the Fire Chief and take a look at the Town of Brattleboro’s existing policy.
  - ~ The Selectboard authorized the Police Chief to advertise for part-time officers.
  - ~Joel Bouvier moved to pay Recreation Director Darla Senecal \$50 per month for using her personal cell phone for Town business, starting June 1, 2016. Peter Coffey seconded, so voted.
  - ~The 2016 Drinking Water Asset Management Grant we submitted was awarded, with more details to follow.
  - ~Discussed the two leaks found by 64 Seconds, the leak detection company sponsored by the State.
  - ~Therese reported that Bill Benton went through station 1 and 2 and she expects a report soon.
  - ~Therese also reported that after a discussion with Scenic Valley Landscaping, they did not damage the Fourth of July Committee’s sound system. Owner Paul Davis said the conduit was already broken. Therese and Paul did a visual inspection, and in two places it appears the conduit just pulled

apart. Since the conduit is only a couple of inches below the ground, either frost or tree roots most likely caused the damage in two areas. Paul has offered to fix the conduit, and Therese will hire him to do so.

~After speaking with Attorney Benj Deppman, the Town's attorney for the fire facility and land sale, Therese wanted to know if the Selectboard wants to purchase title insurance. The cost will be approximately \$6,665. Discussion regarding the merits of title insurance and Therese's recommendation to purchase it. Peeker Heffernan moved to purchase title insurance for the 3.19 million dollar fire facility and land purchase. Peter Coffey seconded, so voted with Ted Lylis voting against.

12. Peter Coffey moved to enter into executive session to negotiate a land sale with Stoney Hill Properties, per 1 V.S.A. § 313 (a) (2). Peeker Heffernan seconded, so voted. The Selectboard met in executive session from 9:12 pm to 9:35 pm. No motions were made in open session. At 9:38 pm Peter Coffey moved to adjourn. Ted Lylis seconded, so voted.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Therese Kirby Town Administrator