## **TOWN OF BOZRAH**

## REGULAR MEETING BOARD OF SELECTMEN BOZRAH TOWN HALL October 18, 2016

**Item 1:** First Selectman Glenn Pianka called a Regular Meeting of the Bozrah Board of Selectmen (BOS) to order at the Town Hall on October 18, 2016 at 7:03 p.m

**Members Present:** First Selectman Glenn Pianka, Second Selectman Bill Ballinger and Selectman Zorn

Members Absent: None.

Others present: 3 members of the public.

Item 2: Review and approve the minutes of September 20, 2016 meeting

**MOTION 1:** B. Ballinger made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 20, 2016 meeting. C. Zorn seconded the motion.

Vote unanimous – **MOTION CARRIED** 

**Item 3:** Public Comments

June Graham, Caroline Road Bozrah, commented on the power lines on South Road.

**Item 4:** Appointment of Robert L. Mercado to vacant Alternate Position –IWWC Term to expire 06/01/2017

**MOTION 2:** B. Ballinger made a motion to appoint Robert L. Mercado to an alternate position on the Inland Wetland Commission. C. Zorn seconded the motion. Vote unanimous – **MOTION CARRIED** 

**Item 5:** Monthly Reports

Senior Center Coordinator Fire Marshal State Police - G. Pianka commented on the un-reportable matters. Municipal Agent for the Elderly Building Official

**Item 6:** Reimbursement request: Glenn Pianka \$225.39 (Town related purchases)

**MOTION 3:** B. Ballinger made a motion to reimburse Glenn Pianka for \$225.39. C. Zorn seconded the motion

Vote unanimous - MOTION CARRIED

Item 7: Animal Control Officer (ACO) – Update

G. Pianka reported that Colchester has made a formal request to join the regional Animal Control group. The Animal Control group is proposing to test Colchester's involvement for one year.

Item 8: Town Meeting – October 26, 2016 – Notification

G. Pianka noted the two items on the agenda, STEAP grant and the funds for the purchasing of the town trucks.

**MOTION 4:** G. Pianka made a motion to move Executive Session from Item 9 to Item 10. B. Ballinger seconded the motion.

Vote unanimous – **MOTION CARRIED** 

**Item 9:** Old Business:

Zucker/Bozrah Rural Cemetery

Rte. 82 Water Line (Zorn)-

C. Zorn noted they are actively performing design to be completed February 2017 and the aerial survey has been completed. B. Ballinger questioned the Clean Water Grant, C. Zorn had not looked into it but will get started.

DPW Truck Purchase (F-550)-

G. Pianka reported the F-550 has been ordered on 10/9/16.

Ice Rink-

R. Barber read aloud a letter that he sent to Rich Serra. R. Serra and R. Barber are scheduled to meet and discuss this.

Soccer Field Development-

G. Pianka had a meeting with Lenard Engineering where basic layout was discussed. The next meeting is to be scheduled.

HR Consultant (Zorn)-

Paychex set up a meeting.

Maples Farm Park-

R. Barber proposed that the American Legion put up a flagpole at Maples Farm Park. This will be brought to the Maples Farm Park commission.

**MOTION 4:** C. Zorn made a motion to begin executive session. B. Ballinger seconded the motion.

Vote unanimous - MOTION CARRIED

**Item 10:** Executive Session: Personnel: Assistant to First Selectman, Payroll/ Accountants Payable

Executive Session: Commenced 7:27 p.m.

Concluded 8:00 p.m.

No votes were taken during Executive Session.

**MOTION 5:** G. Pianka made a motion to hire Diana Santo as Accounting Administrator at an hourly rate of \$19 per hour not to exceed 37 hours commencing immediately. B. Ballinger seconded the motion.

Vote unanimous - MOTION CARRIED

**MOTION 6:** G. Pianka made a motion to hire Kathy Strong as Assistant to the First Selectman at an hourly rate of \$18.50 for 6 months from this date when she will receive a \$0.50 raise. C. Zorn seconded the motion.

Vote unanimous - MOTION CARRIED

**Item 11:** Public Comments

Raymond Barber, Goshen Road Bozrah, commented on whether Robert Mercado lives in Bozrah, this was verified. He also commented on the Animal Control Officer and on Chad Renshaw getting paid for 20 hours.

Item 12: Adjourn

**MOTION 7:** B. Ballinger made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:18 p.m. C. Zorn seconded the motion.

Vote unanimous - MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully submitted for the board,

Heather Barber Recording Secretary