

**TOWN OF BOZRAH**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
**BOARD OF SELECTMEN**  
**BOZRAH TOWN HALL**  
August 17, 2021

**Item 1:** First Selectman Glenn Piakna called a Regular Meeting of the Bozrah Board of Selectmen (BOS) to order at the Bozrah Town Hall on August 17, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

**Members Present:** First Selectman Glenn Piakna, Second Selectman Bill Ballinger and Selectman Jeremy Tarasevich

**Item 2:** Public Comments

No public comments.

**Item 3:** Approval of Minutes

- a. Regular Meeting July 20, 2021

**MOTION 1:** B. Ballinger made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Board of Selectmen meeting held July 20, 2021. G. Piakna seconded the motion. J. Tarasevich abstained.  
Vote 2-1 - **MOTION CARRIED**

- b. Special Meeting August 4, 2021

**MOTION 2:** G. Piakna made a motion to approve the minutes of the Special Board of Selectmen meeting held August 4, 2021. B. Ballinger seconded the motion. J. Tarasevich abstained.  
Vote 2-1 - **MOTION CARRIED**

- c. Special Meeting August 10, 2021

**MOTION 3:** B. Ballinger made a motion to approve the minutes of the Special Board of Selectmen meeting held August 10, 2021. G. Piakna seconded the motion. J. Tarasevich abstained.  
Vote 2-1 - **MOTION CARRIED**

- d. Special Meeting August 16, 2021

**MOTION 4:** B. Ballinger made a motion to approve the minutes of the Special Board of Selectmen meeting held August 16, 2021. G. Piakna seconded the motion. J. Tarasevich abstained.

Vote 2-1 - **MOTION CARRIED**

**Item 4:** Resolution for OSWA Grant Application

Attachment 1

G. Pianka presented the Board with the Resolution for the Open Space Watershed Acquisition (OSWA) grant drafted by the Town Planner Sam Alexander. J. Tarasevich questioned if any commitment has been made by Norwich Public Utilities on contribution. B. Ballinger noted no commitment has been made by Norwich Public Utilities. B. Ballinger explained they are voting only to apply to the grant.

**MOTION 5:** G. Pianka made a motion to move forward with resolution for the OSWA grant application. B. Ballinger seconded the motion.

Vote unanimous - **MOTION CARRIED**

**Item 5:** Planning and Zoning - Legal Fees

G. Pianka noted the Planning and Zoning Commission is expecting legal fees for the GotSpace project.

**Item 6:** Right of Way Review/ Acceptance - South Road subdivision

G. Pianka read aloud an email from Sam Alexander stating the South Road subdivision does not require any action at this point.

**MOTION 6:** B. Ballinger made a motion to table item 6 to the next Regular Board of Selectmen meeting. G. Pianka seconded the motion.

Vote unanimous - **MOTION CARRIED**

**Item 7:** Right of Way Review/ Acceptance - Bashon Hill Road subdivision

G. Pianka noted in an email from Sam Alexander he noted the Bashon Hill Road subdivision requires updated plans to show the right of way.

**MOTION 7:** B. Ballinger made a motion to table item 7 to the next Regular Board of Selectmen meeting. J. Tarasevich seconded the motion.

Vote unanimous - **MOTION CARRIED**

**Item 8:** Disposition of Town Property

G. Pianka noted the exmark zero mower is ready to be disposed of. G. Pianka noted he will advertise the mower for bid in the TWIB.

**MOTION 8:** B. Ballinger made a motion to allow the First Selectman to dispose of the exmark zero mower as he sees fit. J. Tarasevich seconded the motion.

Vote unanimous - **MOTION CARRIED**

**Item 9:** Monthly Reports

- a. Fire Marshal - Attachment 2
- b. Food Bank - Attachment 3
- c. State Police - Attachment 4
- d. Senior Services Coordinator - Attachment 5

G. Pianka noted due to the reports of vermin in the Senior Center they will reinstate the animal control at all properties.

**Item 10:** Water Pollution Control Authority - Membership

Attachment 6

**MOTION 9:** G. Pianka made a motion to appoint Steve Coit and James Bonanno to the Southeastern Connecticut Water Pollution Control Authority. J. Tarasevich seconded the motion.

Vote unanimous - **MOTION CARRIED**

**Item 11:** Tree Warden

**MOTION 10:** G. Pianka made a motion to dedicate a tree planted at Riverwalk Park with a plaque in honor of Carl Zorn. B. Ballinger seconded the motion.

Vote unanimous - **MOTION CARRIED**

G. Pianka noted that Carl Zorn served as tree warden and they are now looking for someone to fill that spot.

**Item 12:** Short Term Rental Information Packet - Tabled from 08/04/21

Attachment 7

J. Tarasevich noted the Fire Marshal does not have authority to inspect the short term rentals. G. Pianka noted they will remove that from the information packet.

**Item 13:** Transfer Station Rehabilitation Project

G. Pianka noted they will move the transfer station temporarily to Commerce Park while renovations are completed at the transfer station. G. Pianka noted they will need to hire someone to be at the gate of the transfer station redirecting people to the temporary one.

**Item 14: Old Business**

a. Town Meeting Minutes

G. Pianka noted he reached out to the town attorney on how to approve town meeting minutes. B. Ballinger noted they would approve the town meeting minutes at the yearly town meeting.

b. Farmers Market Parking

G. Pianka noted the Farmers Market has inadequate personnel for parking. G. Pianka noted the one way traffic confusion when hosting events.

c. UST Bid opening Monday August 23, 2021 11:00 a.m.

G. Pianka noted Jim Ericson of Lenard Engineering reported 5 inquiries on the UST bid.

**Item 15: Public Comments**

Ev Brown commented on the sewer project USDA grant and the American Rescue Act grant.

Ray Barber commented on a property on Bashon Hill and Maples Farm Park parking.

**Item 16: Adjourn**

**MOTION 11:** J. Tarasevich made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:18 p.m. B. Ballinger seconded the motion.

Vote unanimous - **MOTION CARRIED**

Recording Secretary  
Heather Barber