

BEACON FALLS BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Monthly Meeting

August 14, 2017 7:30 pm

Revised MINUTES (Subject To Approval)

Attendance: 1st. Selectman Chris Bielik, Selectman Peter Betkoski, Selectman Michael Krenesky

Other Officials: Finance Manager Tom Broesler, Board of Finance Chairman Joe Rodorigo, Head Librarian Sue Dowdell, Conservation Commissioner Rich Minnick.

Members of the public: 15 (approx.)

Citizen's News Reporter Luke Marshall

1. Call to order/Pledge

- a. Meeting began at 7:36 pm

2. Comments from the public

- a. Mike Kurdzik voiced concern regarding speeding traffic in 280 block of Burton Rd.
- b. Library Director commented on the proposed Media Center/Community Center survey.
- c. Lou Krakowski questioned who is responsible for condition issues on Oak Drive.
- d. Dino Varrelli inquired as to location for residents to drop off brush and clippings.

3. Discussion regarding Oak Drive resident Lou Krakowski inquiring about maintenance&erosion issues.

MOTION: "to add agenda item #3, Krenesky/Betkoski with discussion; all ayes.

4. Residents reporting horse droppings at Toby's Landing. Conservation Commissioner Rich Minnick stated it does not appear to be a major issue.

MOTION: "to add agenda item #4, Krenesky/Betkoski; all ayes.

5. Discussion re: Rich Minnick's letter regarding illegal trucking & handling of materials by O & G on Railroad Avenue.

MOTION: "to add agenda item #5. Krenesky/Betkoski; all ayes. Photos submitted by R. Minnick.

MOTION: "to direct P & Z to issue a cease & desist order for all such trucking & handling of materials in question by 08/17/2017 pending further investigation. Krenesky/No second. Motion fails.

6. Add agenda item # 6, Discussion regarding fence line at solar array off Lopus Rd.

MOTION: Betkoski/Krenesky: all ayes.

P & Z Commissioner Ray Jurzynski assisted in discussion re: property lines, fencing requirements, etc.

7. **MOTION**; to add agenda item # 7; Betkoski/Krenesky, all ayes.

MOTION: “To accept, with regret, the resignation of Joe Dowdell from the Board of Finance; Bielik/Krenesky, all ayes.

MOTION: “To appoint Steve Leeper to the now open position on the Board of Finance. Betkoski/Krenesky; all ayes.

8. Read & approve minutes from previous meetings: Regular Meeting minutes of 07/10/2017 and Special Meeting minutes of 07/26/2017.

b. **MOTION**; “to approve: Betkoski/Krenesky: no discussion, all ayes.

9. Resident State Trooper Report:

a. Town to request activity report regarding Burton Rd. speeding concerns.

b. Discussion regarding opioid use in town.

MOTION: “to Approve Report”; Krenesky/Betkoski; no discussion: all ayes.

10. Wastewater Treatment Plant report:

MOTION: “to Approve Report”; Betkoski/Krenesky; no discussion: all ayes.

11. Report of Public Works:

a. Possible chip sealing in Cedar Circle area in Fall.

MOTION: “to Approve Report”; Betkoski/Krenesky; no discussion: all ayes.

12. Report of the Fire Marshall:

MOTION: “to Approve Report”; Betkoski/Krenesky; no discussion: all ayes.

13. Report of the Finance Manager:

MOTION: “to Approve Report”; Krenesky/Betkoski; no discussion: all ayes.

14. Budget Transfers: Separate Copy.

Discussion Sulfate fund balance.

MOTION: “to Approve Report and forward to Board of Finance”; Betkoski/Krenesky; no discussion: all ayes.

15. Report of the Tax Collector.

MOTION: “to Approve Report and forward to Board of Finance”; Betkoski/Krenesky; no discussion: all ayes.

16. Report of the Town Treasurer.

MOTION: “to Approve Report and forward to Board of Finance.” Krenesky/Betkoski; no discussion: all ayes.

17. Report re: Human Resource services company.

MOTION: “to Approve Report and forward to Board of Finance. Krenesky/Betkoski; no discussion: all ayes.

18. Report of the Town Clerk.

MOTION: “to Approve Report and forward to Board of Finance”. Krenesky/Betkoski; no discussion; all ayes.

19. Report of the Library

- a. Robotics Team update.
- b. Summer projects.

MOTION: “to Approve Report’; Betkoski/Krenesky; no discussion; all ayes.

MOTION: “to Approve contract recommendationsfor Human Resource Firm of McInnis, Inc. for Town HR services.”

Krenesky/Betkoski; Discussion to follow. All ayes.

20. Report of the Fire Department.

- a. Ladder truck bids opened.
- b. B.O.S. to send congratulatory letter to Fire Academy graduates.

MOTION: “to Approve Report”; Krenesky/Betkoski, no discussion; all ayes.

21. Other Reports

- a. Report of the Custodian:
 - i. Senior Center Mens Lavatory plumbing issues.
 - ii. Town Hall Irrigation system damage.

MOTION: “to Approve Report”; Krenesky/Betkoski, no discussion; all ayes.

- b. Report of the Animal Control Officer

MOTION: “to Approve Report”; Krenesky/Betkoski, no discussion; all ayes.

- c. Report of the Community/Media Center
 - i. Selectman Krenesky to contact Fire Chief re: equipment/items in building on Wolfe Avenue.
 - ii. Survey discussed.

MOTION: “to Approve Report”; Krenesky/Betkoski, no discussion; all ayes.

22. Correspondence

- a. Joanna Mays email resignation to Library Directors.
- b. Various thank you cards from residents/familys.
- c. CT Community Foundation town student scholarship awards.
- d. Selectman Krenesky, letter to DPW re: traffic pattern for N/B So. Main St. east onto Burton Rd. limiting turns.
- e. Naugatuck Valley Health District report on Bethany Road home re: living conditions.
- f. Thank you card from Beacon Hose Co. # 1 to Town for assistance with annual carnival.
- g. Bonna Street neighborhood block party.

23. Old Business

- a. Item moved to Agenda item # 4.

24. New Business

- a. **MOTION:**” to Appoint Peter Christensen as Alternate Member to the Town Ethics Commission.

Krenesky/Betkoski, no discussion. All ayes.

- b. **MOTION:** “to Adopt updated Rules & Regulations for the Senior Bus policy. Krenesky/Betkoski, no discussion. All ayes.

- c. **MOTION:** “to add improved signage on Town Hall stairway to Library and coordinate with First Selectman’s Office. Krenesky/Betkoski, no discussion. All ayes.

- d. Discussion re: continuation with a survey, with limited questions, regarding current direction of Community/Media Center project.

25. Budget Transfer Requests

- a. Cannot set meeting for Budget Transfers until the Board of Finance meets.

26. Comments from the Public

- a. Ken George - Concerned re: O & G activities on Railroad Avenue and questions who is authority on such issues.
- b. Ken George –Inquired about status of lighting on downtown walkway.
- c. Ken George – suggest Town advise Oak Drive LLC by letter of who is responsible for what on Oak Drive.
- d. Ken George – request Town notify public safety organizations in town about condition issues on Oak Drive.

27. Executive Session – None Needed

28. Adjournment

MOTION: "to adjourn meeting'. Krenesky/Betkoski; All ayes.

Meeting closed at 10:13 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Peter A. Christensen

Clerk Pro-tem