

**TOWN OF WINCHENDON  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES  
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2019 6:30 P.M  
Town Hall, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Auditorium  
109 Front Street, Winchendon, Mass.**

Present:

Audrey LaBrie, Chairwoman  
Barbara Anderson, Vice Chairwoman  
Mike Barbaro  
Amy Salter  
Rick Ward

Keith R. Hickey, Town Manager  
Linda Daigle, Executive Assistant  
Lindsay Kuchta, Recording Secretary

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List of Documents Presented at Meeting:

- Winchendon Fall Festival Flier (filed)
- Winchendon Winds Fall Festival Flier (filed)
- Annual Senior Wellness Day Flier (filed)
- Dr. William Russo Letter of Interest for Alternate Position on Historic Commission/Historic District (filed)
- Kyle Bradley Letter of Interest for Reappointment to Conservation Commission (filed)
- Road Race Application- Amanda Lawler, November 2, 2019 (filed)
- Class II License Ownership Change Application- R&M Auto Center, Inc. (filed)
- MEMO Dated September 23, 2019 Re: Streeter and Poland Schools Redevelopment Proposal (filed)
- First Right of Refusal for Parcels located on Elmwood Rd./ Forristall Rd. (filed)
- Town Manager's Report (attached)
- Minutes
  - Executive Session Minutes, Monday, August 19, 2019
  - Regular Meeting Minutes, Monday, September 9, 2019
  - Tri-Board Meeting Minutes, Monday, September 16, 2019

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LaBrie called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. followed by the pledge of allegiance.

Doneen Durling announced that she was recording tonight's meeting.

- 1. SELECTMEN'S COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Ward thanked the Fire Department for hosting a 9/11 ceremony, it was very moving.

Anderson gave a shout out to Smith's Country Cheese and their attendance at the Big E. It is nice to see local vendors at such a large fair.

- 1.1. Winchendon's Fall Festival - October 12, 2019- LaBrie noted Winchendon's Fall Festival will take place October 12, 2019 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. There will be lots of events and activities. The Town is still looking for volunteers, any interested individuals can reach out to Nicole Roberts or Lindsay Kuchta at Town Hall.
- 1.2. Winchendon Winds Concert Band - October 12, 2019- LaBrie added that Winchendon Winds will be having a concert the morning of the Fall Festival from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. outside the Universalist Church, weather depending.

- 1.3. Annual Senior Wellness Day – October 23, 2019- LaBrie stated the Annual Senior Wellness day will be held on October 23<sup>rd</sup> from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon at the Senior Center. Any questions can be directed to the Senior Center.

LaBrie continued on a sadder note, that we lost George Bousquet Jr. Mr. Bousquet was a grounds keeper for Murdock Sports, and was greatly involved with Murdock's Sports Booster Club, as well as worked the election polls.

A moment of silence was had for the late Mr. Bousquet.

**2. PUBLIC COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:** There were no Public Comments this evening.

**3. PUBLIC HEARINGS:** There were no Public Hearings this evening.

**4. APPOINTMENTS/RESIGNATIONS:**

- 4.1. Historic Commission/Historic District Appointment (Alternate Member) – Dr. William Russo- Dr. Russo came forward and thanked the Town Manager and Executive Assistant for being so gracious, kind and encouraging. He is happy to serve the Town, and if there are any questions he is happy to answer them.

*Barbaro moved the Board approve the appointment of Dr. William Russo to the Historic Commission/Historic District as an alternate member with the term to expire on June 30, 2020 seconded by Anderson.*

Anderson thanked Dr. Russo for sticking with the Town and stated his background will make him a great asset to the Commission.

*By a vote of all aye the motion carried.*

- 4.2. Conservation Commission Appointment – Kyle Bradley- Kyle Bradley came forward and noted he has been on the Conservation Commission since 2005.

LaBrie stated there are currently only three members on the Commission, to which Barbaro added there were a few notes concerning Mr. Bradley's ability to attend meetings. Barbaro then asked if Mr. Bradley would be able to attend meetings to which Mr. Bradley replied he just started a third shift job and will be able to attend meetings going forward.

Anderson thanked Mr. Bradley and stated she appreciates all who step up to serve on committees and commissions as it takes a lot of personal time. Mr. Bradley replied it was his pleasure.

*Barbaro moved the Board approve the appointment of Kyle Bradley to the Conservation Commission with the term to expire on June 30, 2022, seconded by Anderson with a vote of all aye.*

**5. PERMIT/LICENSE APPLICATIONS:**

- 5.1. Road Race Permit for Nov. 2, 2019 – Harper Grace Scholarship- Amanda Lawler and Veronika Patty came forward on behalf of the 5k road race application for the Harper Grace Scholarship. Ms. Lawler stated the Scholarship was created by a friend of hers after she lost her newborn child. The Scholarship goes to Murdock High School graduates who wish to attend a four year college and study human services; last year they awarded \$4,000 in scholarships and had 115 participants. She noted that she has spoken with Lieutenant Wolski who has offered his time for free to work the event, and volunteers will be helping at different points of the race to help participants. The event starts at 9:00 a.m. and will be held on November 2, 2019.

Anderson said she heard last year was successful, it is an amazing event; the \$25.00 fee should be waived.

LaBrie asked if there were any further questions, none were heard.



*Barbaro moved the Board approve the 5K Road Race Permit for Amanda Lawler to be held on Saturday, November 2, 2019 and also waive the \$25 registration fee, seconded by Anderson with a vote of all aye.*

- 5.2. Class II License Ownership Change Application – R&M Auto Center, Inc., 230 Baldwinville St. Rd.-LaBrie noted the application is for two individuals taking over the business. Luciano Brito Da Cruz and Anna Da Cruz came forward. LaBrie continued, stating there are no changes to the business, the hours, and verified that the property is being leased. She then asked if the Board had any questions, none were heard.

*Barbaro moved the Board approve the Change of Ownership for the Class II License of R&M Auto Center, Inc., located at 230 Baldwinville State Rd. as presented this evening, seconded by Anderson with a vote of all aye.*

6. **BOARDS/COMMISSIONS/COMMITTEES/DEPARTMENT:** There were no Boards/Commissions/Committees/Department matters discussed this evening.

7. **NEW BUSINESS:**

- 7.1. Presentation of Possible Redevelopment of the Poland and Streeter Schools- Hickey noted the presentation correlates with an article the Board has to authorize for the Poland and Streeter schools. It was brought up at the spring Town Meeting and was voted down after concerns were raised by neighbors. Charlie Murphy of The Montachusett Veteran's Outreach Center came forward to present the Board and public with the plans of MVOC if they did purchase the buildings.

Mr. Murphy stated the two buildings would be gutted and repurposed into affordable and low income Veteran's housing; additionally he noted he has already met with the concerned resident to explain what the intended use is for the two buildings. The two buildings would be connected by a third building in the center where the elevators and offices would potentially be as well. The project will hopefully produce twenty five to thirty single bedroom apartments. Barbaro asked if Winchendon Veteran's would have priority in housing to which Mr. Murphy noted he unfortunately could not make that happen. Anderson voiced concern of the concerts held in the park during the summer to which Mr. Murphy replied the residents would more than likely appreciate the concerts. Additionally, Anderson was concerned that the field and baseball field would no longer be accessible to the public to which Mr. Murphy assured her is not the case, the park would remain available to the public.

After further discussion, both Anderson and Ward noted it was great to see these two buildings have the potential of being utilized, especially as historic buildings and for the use of Veteran's Housing.

LaBrie asked if there was anything further, to which no comments were made.

The Board thanked Mr. Murphy for his time.

- 7.2. Transfer Station Recyclable Costs Review- DPW Director Al Gallant came forward and noted his update was a positive one. The Transfer Station is now being run by Joshua Harris, who is doing a wonderful job. He is great with the customers and the place looks great. The Transfer Station has taken in \$89,461 since July with expenses coming in at \$40,006.72. Additionally, some changes were made in recycling; previously, the Transfer Station was disposing of paint by the gallon, costing us four times more than necessary. Paint is now dumped into a 55 gallon drum, and disposed of. This method will cost about a third of the prior charges. We are still charging \$3.00 to dispose of paint cans, but down the road may be able to re-evaluate prices.

After further discussion, LaBrie asked if anyone had any questions or concerns, to which none were heard. The Board thanked Al.

- 7.3. First Right of Refusal Option for Parcels located on Elmwood Rd. /Forristall Rd.- Attorney John Fick and Dr. Eric White came forward on behalf of the Notice of Intent for the properties located at Elmwood Road and Forristall Road.

LaBrie reviewed the Notice of Intent and documents provided for the Board, and asked if there were any questions regarding the Board's option for First Right of Refusal.

Anderson asked what 61 and 61A are, to which Attorney Fick replied 61A is an environmental restriction that restricts any development and allows the Town the first right of refusal to sell the property.

LaBrie asked if there was anything further from the Board, to which no one replied.

***Barbaro moved the Board hereby waive its first refusal option under the provisions of G.L.C. 61 Section 8 to purchase to certain parcels of land located off of Elmwood Road and Forristall Road in Winchendon as discussed this evening, seconded by Anderson.***

Attorney Fick mentioned another document his client needed to finalize the process of the First Right of Refusal; the Board was not aware of this document. After discussion, a motion was made.

***Barbaro moved the Town accept the transfer of conservation restriction on the three discussed parcels be transferred to the Tuz Family for the purchase of the home with acceptance that Mount Grace Endorses it, seconded by Ward.***

LaBrie asked if there was any further discussion to which Anderson replied she doesn't feel she has enough information.

***By a vote of Anderson no and all others aye, the motion carried 4-1.***

- 7.4. Schedule Date/Time for Trick or Treat- LaBrie noted it is customary to have Trick or Treat on October 31<sup>st</sup>. This year it is a Thursday, and in years past we have set hours to be 5:30 p.m. -7:30 p.m. The Chief of Police recommended the same hours for this year.

As Salter stepped out for a moment, a recess was suggested.

***Barbaro moved for a five minute recess, seconded by Anderson. With a vote of all aye the Board entered recess at 7:20 p.m.***

The Board reconvened at 7:27 p.m.

After further discussion, the Board moved to set Trick or Treat hours.

***Barbaro moved the Board schedule Trick or Treat in the Town of Winchendon for this year and on following years for Halloween, October 31<sup>st</sup> from 5:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m., seconded by Anderson.***

Salter noted she used to do trick or treat the Saturday before the holiday; it was wonderful and she felt it was the best time to do it. LaBrie asked if there was anything further, to which no comments or questions were raised.

***By a vote of Salter no and all others aye, the motion carried 4-1.***

Presentation and Review of Special Town Meeting Warrant- LaBrie noted that the warrant closed at 12:00 p.m. today, and Mr. Hickey has prepared a presentation to better explain the warrant articles to the Board and community.

## **ARTICLE 1**

To see if the Town will vote to hear and act on the reports of the Finance Committee, and any other Board or Committee, or act in relation thereto.

(usual and customary article)



## ARTICLE 2:

To see if the town will vote to fix the maximum amount that be spent during fiscal year 2020 beginning on July 1, 2019 for the revolving funds established in town by-laws for certain departments, boards, committees, agencies or officers in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2, or take any other action relative thereto.

<u>Revolving Fund</u>	<u>Department, Board, Committee, Agency or Officer</u>	<u>FY2020 Spending Limit</u>
Agriculture	Agriculture Commission	\$1,000
Large Copy Fees	Planning & Development	\$1,000
Restitution Fees	Land Use	\$1,000
Extended Day	School	\$10,000
Damaged Books	School	\$5,000
Summer School	School	\$1,000
Recycling	Board of Health	\$1,000
Composting	Board of Health	\$1,000
Arts Lottery	Arts Lottery Commission	\$7,500
Wetland Fees	Conservation	\$20,000
Student Parking	School	\$5,000

(Submitted by the Town Manager)

## ARTICLE 3

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds (Water Enterprise Fund and Wastewater Fund), and/or borrow up to the sum of \$1,000,000, for the replacement of existing water and sewer lines on Central Street as part of the Central Street Reconstruction Project, and to pay all incidental costs related thereto; and that to meet this appropriation the Treasurer with the approval of the Select Board is authorized to borrow said amount under and pursuant to Chapter 44, Section 7 (1) of the General Laws or any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor. Any premium received upon the sale of any bonds or notes approved by this vote, less any such premium applied to the payment of the costs of issuance of such bonds or notes, may be applied to the payment of costs approved by this vote in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 20 of the General Laws, thereby reducing the amount authorized to be borrowed to pay such costs by a like amount, or take any action relative thereto.

(submitted by the Town Manager)

## ARTICLE 4

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$853,200 for the costs of schematic design, design development, construction documentation, bidding and negotiation for upgrades to the Fire Department building, including all costs incidental and related thereto; and as funding therefor, that the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, be authorized to borrow said sum and issue bonds and notes therefor pursuant to G.L. c.44, §7 or any other enabling authority; provided, however, that the amounts appropriated hereunder shall be expressly contingent upon approval by the voters of a Proposition 2 ½, so-called, debt exclusion question pursuant to G.L. c.59, §21C (k), or take any action relative thereto.

- \$853,200 – Funding to be used for schematic design, design development, construction documentation, bidding and negotiation for upgrades to the Fire Department building, including all costs incidental and related thereto

(submitted by the Town Manager)

## ARTICLE 5

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$200,000 to the Fire Station Upgrade Capital Account for costs related to contracting with an Owners Project Manager, any action relative thereto.

(submitted by the Town Manager)

#### **ARTICLE 6**

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$280,000 to the Robbins Road Capital Account for the Town's share of the cost to replace a culvert on Robbins Road, or take any action relative thereto.

(submitted by the Town Manager)

#### **ARTICLE 7**

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$606,393 to the Central Street Capital Account for the Town's share of the Central Street reconstruction project or take any action relative thereto.

(submitted by the Town Manager)

#### **ARTICLE 8**

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Free Cash the additional sum of \$20,000 to be added to the Department of Public Works Highway and Material Account voted under Article 6 of the May 20, 2019 Annual Town Meeting, for a total appropriation for FY 2020 of \$125,000, or act in relation thereto.

(submitted by the Town Manager)

#### **ARTICLE 9**

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$15,000 to the Police Station Boiler Replacement Capital Account for the Town's share of the boiler replacement project or take any action relative thereto.

(submitted by the Town Manager)

#### **ARTICLE 10**

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$124,024 to the School Department Out of District Placement Account or take any action relative thereto.

(submitted by the Town Manager)

#### **ARTICLE 11**

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Free Cash a sum of money to the Senior Center Repair Capital Project Account for the costs associated with determining the necessary repairs to the Old Murdock Senior Center or take any action relative thereto.

(submitted by the Town Manager)

#### **ARTICLE 12**

To see if the Town will vote to amend the FY20 Wastewater Budget as voted under Article 8 of the May 20, 2019 Annual Town Meeting by making the following changes:

Decrease Wastewater Electricity Expense	(\$27,000)
Decrease Wastewater Contracted Services	(\$13,000)
Increase Capital Improvement Plan	\$40,000

or act in relation thereto.

(submitted by the Town Manager)

### ARTICLE 13

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to convey property located on Oak Street for the sole purpose of redevelopment for low income veteran housing, shown as Assessors Map 5B2, Parcel 118, for such consideration, and on such terms and conditions as the Board of Selectmen deems in the best interest of the Town, and to take such additional action as may be needed to effectuate the purposes of this vote, including but not limited to execution of instruments and documents to convey said property; or act in relation thereto.

(submitted by the Town Manager)

### ARTICLE 14

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire by gift a certain parcel of land on Maple Street adjacent to the Winchendon Community Park and shown on the assessor's map as map 5A4-0-69 or take any action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Town Manager)

### ARTICLE 15

To see if the Town will vote pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 41, Section 110A, that any public office of the Town may remain closed on any or all Saturdays, and where the last day for performance of any act in any such office falls on a Saturday when said office is closed, the act may be performed on the next succeeding business day, or act in relation thereto.

(Submitted by the Town Manager)

### ARTICLE 16

To see if the Town will vote to rescind the following bond authorizations approved by previous Town Meetings as follows, or act in relation thereto.

<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Date of Vote</u>	<u>Article Number</u>	<u>Amount Authorized</u>	<u>Amount Requested to be Recinded</u>
Maintenance Garage Septic System	5/20/13	16	\$25,000	\$25,000
Toy Town School Generator	5/12/14	25	\$75,000	\$75,000
Water Tank Improvements	5/16/16	13	\$180,000	\$40,000
Sally Port at Police Station	5/15/17	7	\$691,000	\$380,000

(submitted by the Town Manager)

### ARTICLE 17

To see if the town will vote to amend Article 4.6 Special Zoning Districts to eliminate the Golf/Residential Overlay District (GROD), or act in relation thereto.

(submitted by Planning Board)

### ARTICLE 18

To see if the town will vote to amend Article 4.6 Special Zoning Districts to create the following: **Lake Monomonac Overlay District (LMOD)** and amend the Town's Zoning Map to include the Lake Monomanac Overlay District as depicted on the plan on file with the Town Clerk.

(submitted by Planning Board)



Guy Corbosiero, Chairman of the Planning Board came forward and noted there has been almost 20 variances requested due to the regulations of an R40 district. The amended overlay district change the setbacks to those of an R10 district; rather than 40 feet the required distance would be 20 feet for something like a garage.

The Board voiced concerns of the environmental effect it may have, as well as the concern of the proximity of houses, and the ease of passage of emergency vehicles.

#### ARTICLE 19

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw by deleting all references to the "Zoning Board of Appeals" as the Special Permit Granting Authority and inserting in place thereof the "Planning Board" as the Special Permit Granting Authority for all special permits required under the Zoning Bylaw, and further, by amending the following Articles as shown in Appendix A to the Warrant.

#### ARTICLE 20

To see if the town will vote to amend Article 6.12.5.2 Adult Use/Medical Marijuana Facilities Retail Overlay District and the Town's Zoning Map **to eliminate "E. Stuffin' Things" overlay and extend the existing "C.Hillview Business Park/Rte. 140" overlay to the Route 12/Route 140 intersection to include surrounding properties as specified on the proposed Winchendon Zoning Map on file with the Town Clerk, or act in relation thereto.**

(Submitted by Planning Board)

Tracy Murphy came forward to answer any questions regarding Article 20. The Board expressed concerns with changing the overlay district after the Planning Board put so much time into creating the overlay districts. Murphy made the Board aware that although a lot of work was put into the current overlay, this change would make residents from Stoddard Road happy, and the new location makes sense.

Additionally, the Board questioned the actual intended location of the overlay district as the map and article were not agreeing. LaBrie noted the only times to change an article would be tonight or at Town Meeting.

#### Ammendments

Labrie went

Barbaro amend student parking lot from \$5000 to \$10,000 ARTICLE 2, second for discussion Anderson, curious 10k seems like a lot I understand that the parking lot repairs are expensive what im wondering when dealing with those sms of money would it be better to have lie some kind of a warrant artile or to hae it be a transfer o funds. Hickey if they want to repae the entire parking lottthey wud have the 40k articlefor the lot and 10 already in hand.

Ward these orgs hww do reolving funds determine does the school hae the respoisibilit for this amount- Joanne se4t the amount.

Anderson what woud be more appropriate the 5 or the 10 to ickey. Hickey it wuld be nice to haveetra funds and not hae to go to town meeting to take car eof a repair. 10k isn't an issue its not a huge svoke of wrk,

Motion on the floor any furher rdiscussionn

Vot efailed All in favor Barbaro aye akl others no.

Article 13 ammend verbar andreson to include veterans housing i8n the best interest of town and include vet housing loe inome

Nhiciey add sentence sole purpose of future redevelopment of this property will be restricted to veterans permanent housing.



*Anderson move to amend article 13 to include sentence with sole purpose of redevelopment for the sole purpose of long term veteran's housing seconded by Barbaro with a vote of all aye.*

7.4.1. Vote of Board to Finalize the Special Town Meeting Warrant- *Barbaro moved the Board finalize the Special Town Meeting Warrant of October 28, 2019, seconded by Anderson with a vote of all aye.*

7.4.2. Vote Recommendations of Special Town Meeting Warrant Articles- SEE NETOES

*Anderson moved to recommend Article 1, seconded by Barbaro with a vote of all aye.*

*Anderson moved to recommend Article 2, seconded by Barbaro with a vote of all aye.*

*Barbaro moved to recommend Article 3, seconded by Anderson with a vote of all aye.*

*Ward moved to recommend Article 4, seconded by Barbaro with a vote of all aye.*

*Barbaro moved to recommend Article 5, seconded by Anderson with a vote of all aye.*

*Barbaro moved to recommend Article 6, seconded by Anderson with a vote of all aye.*

*Barbaro moved to recommend Article 7, seconded by Anderson with a vote of all aye.*

*Barbaro moved to recommend Article 8, seconded by Anderson with a vote of all aye.*

*Barbaro moved to recommend Article 9, seconded by Anderson with a vote of all aye.*

*Barbaro moved to recommend Article 10, seconded by Anderson with a vote of all aye.*

*Barbaro moved to recommend Article 11, seconded by Ward with a vote of all aye.*

*Barbaro moved to recommend Article 12, seconded by Ward with a vote of all aye.*

*Barbaro moved to recommend Article 13 as amended, seconded by Ward with a vote of all aye.*

*Barbaro moved to recommend Article 14, seconded by Ward with a vote of all aye.*

*Barbaro moved to recommend Article 15, seconded by Ward with a vote of all aye*

*Barbaro moved to recommend Article 16, seconded by Ward with a vote of all aye.*

*Barbaro moved to recommend Article 17, seconded by Ward with a vote of all aye.*

*Barbaro moved to recommend Article 18, seconded by Ward with a vote of Salter no, all others aye.*

*The motion carried 4-1.*

*Barbaro moved to recommend Article 19, seconded by Ward with a vote of all aye.*

*Barbaro moved to recommend Article 20, seconded by Ward with a vote of LaBrie no, all others aye.*

*The motion carried 4-1.*

8. **OLD BUSINESS:** There was no Old Business discussed this evening.

9. **TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT:**

9.1 Financial Updates; Personnel Updates; Project Updates; Miscellaneous Updates

1. Financial Updates-

a. The Tax Collector will be holding an auction at the Winchendon Town Hall on October 23<sup>rd</sup> on the following properties:

PROPERTY ADDRESS	MAP/LOT	LOT SIZE - ACRE	REQUIRED DEPOSIT	ASSESSED VALUE	OUTSTANDING TAXES	TAX POSSESSION DATE	PROPERTY INFO & DESCRIPTION (example: 2 family, vacant lot, single family)
33 Morse Avenue	5B2-51	0.25		\$114,000	31,699.43	5/21/2018	property card states 2 family operated as single family
Morse Avenue	5B2-50	0.11		\$4,500	625.20	5/21/2018	vacant lot w/house above
25 Nash Road	4-48	0.87		\$95,000	11,762.72	8/7/2019	single family
122 Hale St	8A1-24	.79		\$127,800	14,186.50	9/27/2018	single family
20 Mechanic St	5B2-77	0.21		\$172,600	31,593.09	4/2/2019	2 family

Anyone who is interested in obtaining more information on any of the properties should contact the Tax Collector's Office at (978) 297-0152.

- b. The FY19 fiscal year has been closed. Free Cash was has been submitted to the Department of Revenue at \$1,355,999.
- c. The FY19 financial audit began on September 17<sup>th</sup>.

## 2. Personnel Updates-

- a. There are no personnel updates this week.

## 3. Project Updates-

- a. Front Street, from School St. to Hill St. will be paved during the week of October 23<sup>rd</sup>.
- b. All streets paved this summer have now been striped. They include:
  - River St. from town line to the top of Tannery Hill
  - Spring St from Blair Square to Grout Park
  - The entire length of West Street.
  - The entire length of Royalston Rd. north
  - The entire length of Central St.
  - The entire length of Otter River Road
  - Front Street from Tannery Hill to Spring Street
- c. Repairs to any fire hydrants currently out of service will be completed by the end of October.

## 4. Miscellaneous Updates –

- a. The property located at 8 Front Street was deeded to the Town for past due taxes. Currently there are four small businesses working out of the building on the property. I have been working with legal counsel and the business owners to provide a reasonable amount of time to allow the businesses to relocate. I will have a proposal for the Board's consideration at the Board's first meeting in October.

Hickey added the individuals inhabiting this space have no water, electricity, sprinkler or bathrooms and were paying rent. Now that the Town owns the property, the tenants are a liability.

- b. The Town of Winchendon is pleased to announce it has entered into a 36-month agreement with Dynegy Energy Services ("Dynegy") to bring energy cost-savings to the Town's residents and businesses through its Community Choice Power Supply Program. Starting with the December 2019 meter reads, Winchendon's ratepayers can enjoy the stable rate of \$0.10304/kWh throughout the entire term of the contract. The Town will be using 100 percent green energy, derived from National Wind Renewable Energy Certificates. When compared to National Grid's Basic Service rate of \$0.13982, participating residents in Winchendon will see an average savings of 26 percent in their monthly energy bills during the 2019-2020 winter. Those savings equate to a combined average savings of more than \$59,700 per month during those winter months. Residents can expect to see an average savings of eight percent

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over the term of the contract providing a combined average savings of more than \$551,000 for the town's residential ratepayers during the contract term. All participating residents in Winchendon will be automatically switched to Dynegy as of the December 2019 meter reads. This change will be noted on the December 2019 bills and will be seen on the January 2020 bills.

10. **MINUTES:**

10.1 Monday, August 19, 2019 EXECUTIVE SESSION: *Anderson moved to approve and release the Executive Session minutes of Monday, August 19, 2019, seconded by Ward. By a vote of all aye the motion carried.*

10.2 Monday, September 9, 2019 Regular Meeting: *Anderson moved to approve the minutes of Monday, September 9, 2019, seconded by Salter with a vote of all aye.*

10.3 Monday, September 16, 2019 Tri-Board Meeting: *Barbaro moved to approve the minutes of Monday, September 16, 2019, seconded by Ward with a vote of all aye.*

11. **COMMUNICATIONS:**

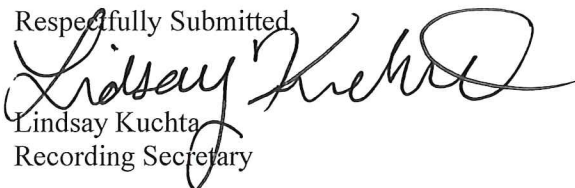
12. **AGENDA ITEMS:**

12.1 Discuss October Meeting Schedule- As the second Monday of October is Columbus day, the Board set their first meeting for October 7<sup>th</sup>, and as the Town Manager will not be in town the fourth Monday of October a tentative meeting date was set for October 24<sup>th</sup>.

13. **EXECUTIVE SESSION:** There was no Executive Session scheduled for this evening.

14. **ADJOURNMENT:** *Barbaro moved to adjourn, seconded by Ward with a vote of all aye, the Board adjourned at 9:30 P.M.*

Respectfully Submitted

  
Lindsay Kuchta  
Recording Secretary