

MINUTES OF TOWN OF BERKLEY SELECTMEN'S MEETING OF 01/23/2025


SELECTMEN IN ATTENDANCE: Tabitha K. McCrohan, Chairwoman, Jennifer Vincent, Clerk, Joe Freitas, Member

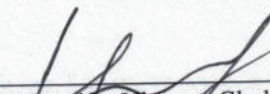
TOPIC		ACTION
	Meeting Convened at 6:00 p.m. in the Moitoza-Petty Hearing Room	
Executive Session	Board to enter into Executive Session pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30A, § 21(a)(2) to conduct strategy sessions in preparation for negotiations with nonunion personnel or to conduct collective bargaining sessions or contract negotiations with nonunion personnel; review of matter; votes may be taken.	McCrohan motion to enter into Executive Session, Freitas 2 nd ; voted.
Appointments	Board to appoint Denise Cole to the position of Administrative Assistant to the Conservation Commission.	McCrohan to recommend personnel board to appoint; Freitas 2 nd ; voted. McCrohan motion to hire; Freitas 2 nd ; voted.
Soil Conservation Board	Board to discuss possible earth alteration at 2 BC Lane. There have been several complaints about soil removal, Chabot stated. There were certain restrictions to this property. Essentially there have been trucks leaving this property that have not been permitted to do so. No soil conservation permits or building permit. The property has been sold and there is an outstanding balance to the town, Freitas questioned how we got to this point. New client had to finish the project that was started to finish the road. When Mr. Oliveria purchased this property was it not clean cut? Freitas asked. So even if the covenant was released and documentation took place, any type of work needed to go through the permit process and would have had to been authorized. The client needs to follow the bylaws of Berkley. We still don't know how much soil was removed or moved. Adam Costa and Mr. Gomez need to speak and see if we need to get Soil Board involved, etc. Vincent stated no more work should happen until permits are pulled. Freitas stated that there are so many things happening that we need answers for and believes a cease-and-desist order should take place as next steps.	Information Only; No Action Needed
New Business	Board to review revised Intermunicipal agreement with the Northern Bristol County Health Alliance. They sent over a revision. Up to 15% in administrative fees. It is a big lift for a small town. One of the other things Chabot wanted to bring to the board's attention was that other municipalities could be added at the advisory of the board.	McCrohan motion to accept the advised agreement and allow Matthew Chabot to sign; Vincent 2 nd ; voted.
	Board to approve 2025 License Application for Dunkin Donuts. New Dunkin on Padelford Street.	McCrohan to approve 2025 license renewal; Freitas 2 nd ; voted.
Old Business	Board to discuss process for the creation of a Junior Selectmen position and the scope of said position. Feedback from Adam Costa, said it was an honorary position. Reached out to the schools as well to discuss the role. Put on paper why we want the position and what it would entail. Vincent said she would love to discuss more and also likes Zak Besse in this role. We can see how it goes while he helps us with the process. Start simple and then bring someone on board to help educate about local government.	Information Only; No Action Needed
Meeting Mail	Bristol-Plymouth Regional Technical School 2024 Annual Report. Outside shell of school is almost done. Moving along very quickly. They applied for the new grants as well. We like to be informed and they do a great job of keeping us in the loop.	McCrohan motion to file; Vincent 2 nd ; voted.

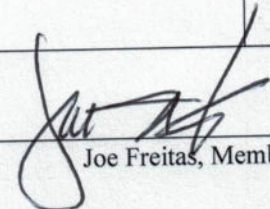
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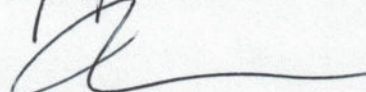
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Meeting Minutes	<p>Bristol County Agricultural High School Flag Display Request.</p> <p>Board to approve Meeting Minutes of January 8, 2025.</p>	<p>Vincent motion to approve flag display request; Freitas 2nd; voted.</p> <p>McCrohan motion to accept meeting minutes; Freitas 2nd; voted.</p>
Town Administrator Report	<p>Board to approve Executive Session Minutes of January 8, 2025.</p> <p>Milton decision. Beyond December 31, 2025 what happens next is anyone's guess. The dos and don'ts of what the town needs to do to be compliant will be listed. 3A zoning can be split so long as there are 15 units per acre. It is not the build it is the zone amount.</p> <p>FAC update. Meeting is available on website and updates will continue to be given. Revenue growth has been substantial but already spoken for.</p> <p>MBLC Library Grant. Wait listed for construction portion. Things could change if people drop out, etc. There is work to be done with the Library Building Committee if any decision making needs to happen.</p>	<p>McCrohan motion to accept executive session minutes; Freitas 2nd; voted.</p> <p>Information Only; No Action Needed</p> <p>Information Only; No Action Needed</p> <p>Information Only; No Action Needed</p>
Adjournment	<p>The Board voted to enter back into Executive Session and not return to open session with the next scheduled meeting being Wednesday, February 5, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.</p>	<p>McCrohan motion to re-enter executive session; Freitas 2nd; voted.</p>


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Matthew Chabot, Town Administrator