



TOWN OF BLANDFORD  
Board of Selectmen, Minutes  
October 19, 2015

**Attendance:** Andrew Montanaro, Adam Dolby, William Levakis and Cara Letendre - Secretary

**Open Meeting:**

7:00 p.m. Mr. Dolby called meeting to order, provided notice that meeting may be recorded.

**Posted Agenda Items:**

1. Finance Nominating Committee: Appointed Eric McVey to the Finance Committee for a term of 3 years to expire June 0f 2018.
2. Minutes: Mr. Montanaro motion to accept the meeting minutes from October 5, 2015 as amended, Mr. Dolby second, unanimous vote. Mr. Levakis abstained as he was not present at the meeting.
3. Planning Board & BOH Regarding Leech Field: Walker Residence Birch Hill Road
  - a. Ms. BaNash approached the Planning Board last week regarding her property on Birch Hill Road. She is preparing to build on her property and upon having a survey completed, discovered that her neighbor, Mr. Walker, had his leech field built on her property. At this point Ms. BaNash offered Mr. Walker an easement or an opportunity to purchase the land from her. However this was ignored.
  - b. Apparently Mr. Walker did not get a building permit prior to building. The plan that was drawn up for the leech field was signed off on by the BOH but stated that a survey must be done prior to it being built.
  - c. Selectboard asked the BOH and Planning Board to compile documents and a narrative to send to Town Counsel in order to understand legal responsibilities.

**Old Business:**

1. Planning Board Green Community:
  - a. Met with Jim Barry about becoming a Green Community.
    - i. Mr. Barry suggested that we will need a new energy audit.
    - ii. Mrs. McCann asked the Selectboard to clarify who is in charge.

1. The Selectboard agreed that the Planning Board is in charge of this process.
  - a. Mrs. McCann stated that it will be presented at the Annual meeting in May with funding available next October.
  - b. Mrs. McCann requested that the money be put in a separate account and not the general fund. Board agreed and suggested that the Finance Committee create a separate line item for the funds.

**New Business:**

9:16 p.m. Mr. Dolby motion to go into executive session to discuss strategies with respect to collective bargaining and litigation (highway union) not to reconvene, Mr. Montanaro second, Cara called a roll-call vote, Mr. Levakis – yes, Mr. Dolby – yes, Mr. Montanaro – yes, unanimous vote.

Submitted by:  
Cara Letendre

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Adam Dolby - Chair

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Andrew Montanaro - Clerk

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William Levakis, Member