

AGENDA
REGULAR MEETING - TOWN OF BOSTON
March 4, 2020 - 7:30 P.M.

ITEM NO. I PRELIMINARY MATTERS

1. Call Meeting to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Other Preliminary Matters

ITEM NO. II REGULAR BUSINESS

1. Correction and Adoption of the Minutes 2/19/2020
2. Consideration of all Fund Bills

ITEM NO. III CORRESPONDENCE

ITEM NO. IV NEW BUSINESS

1. Requests from the Floor (3 minute time limit per person).
2. Use of Facility – Southtowns Walleye Association of WNY – Kids Fishing
3. Use of Facility – Trooper David C. Brinkerhoff Foundation – 5/10K Race
4. Use of Facility – CAC- Love Your Park Day
5. Use of Town Meeting Facility – Boston Democratic Social Club - Monthly Meetings
6. Use of Town Meeting Facility – Hometown Heroes - Informational Meeting
7. Use of Town Meeting Facility – Boston Young at Heart Seniors - Meetings
8. Use of Town Meeting Facility – Boston Seniors - Meetings
9. Resolution 2020-24 - ACQUISITION OF STREET LIGHT INTERSECTION OF SHERO AND ZIMMERMAN ROADS
10. Resolution 2020-25 - RETENTION OF LEGAL COUNSEL FOR NEGOTIATIONS WITH BLUE WIRELESS
11. Resolution 2020-26 - RESOLUTION OPPOSING GOV. CUOMO BUDGET AMENDMENT

ITEM NO. V OLD BUSINESS

1. Resolution 2020-23 REWIRING OF TOWN HALL IT INFRASTRUCTURE

ITEM NO. VI REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS

1. Supervisor
2. Town Clerk
3. Highway Superintendent
4. Councilmembers

ITEM NO. VIII ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

1. Adjournment of Meeting

Present: Deputy Supervisor Richard Hawkins, Councilman Michael Cartechine, Councilwoman Jennifer Lucachik, Councilwoman Kelly Martin, and Councilwoman Kathleen Selby.

Also Present: Attorney for the Town Costello, and Deputy Town Clerk Lois Jackson.

Preliminary matters:

A motion was made by Councilwoman Lucachik and seconded by Councilwoman Martin to approve the request for reappointment of Dave Bowen to the Planning Board for the term ending February 1, 2027.

Councilman Cartechine	Yes	Councilwoman Lucachik	Yes
Councilwoman Martin	Yes	Councilwoman Selby	Yes

four (4) Yes Carried

Regular business:

A motion was made by Councilwoman Lucachik and seconded by Councilwoman Selby to approve the minutes of the February 19, 2020 regular meeting.

Councilman Cartechine	Yes	Councilwoman Lucachik	Yes
Councilwoman Martin	Yes	Councilwoman Selby	Yes

four (4) Yes Carried

A motion was made by Councilwoman Martin and seconded by Councilwoman Lucachik, upon review by the Town Board, that fund bills in the amount of \$126,593.50 be paid.

Councilman Cartechine	Yes	Councilwoman Lucachik	Yes
Councilwoman Martin	Yes	Councilwoman Selby	Yes

four (4) Yes Carried

Deputy Supervisor Hawkins stated that there is no correspondence.

New business:

Deputy Supervisor Hawkins stated the floor is open for public comment.

The following person was heard:

Lynn Kirby

Deputy Supervisor Hawkins stated the floor is closed.

A motion was made by Councilman Cartechine and seconded by Councilwoman Martin to approve the Use of Facility application from the Southtowns Walleye Association for Kids Fishing Derby on July 25, 2020, 6:00 am - 1:00 pm, Town Fields, Small Shelter, Lions Shelter and bathroom facilities.

Councilman Cartechine	Yes	Councilwoman Lucachik	Yes
Councilwoman Martin	Yes	Councilwoman Selby	Yes

four (4) Yes Carried

A motion was made by Councilwoman Selby and seconded by Councilman Cartechine to approve the Use of Facility application from the Trooper David C. Brinkerhoff Foundation, 5K/10K race for Friday, June 19 setup from 4:00 - 8:00 pm and Saturday, June 20, 2020 from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm, Town Hall Community Room, Town Fields, Lions Shelter and bathroom facilities.

Councilman Cartechine	Yes	Councilwoman Lucachik	Yes
Councilwoman Martin	Yes	Councilwoman Selby	Yes

four (4) Yes Carried

A motion was made by Councilwoman Martin and seconded by Councilwoman Lucachik to approve the Use of Facility application from the Conservation Advisory Council for Love Your Parks Day, May 2, 2020, 10:00 am - 3:00 pm, Town Hall Community Room, Town Fields, Small Shelter, Lions Shelter and bathroom facilities.

Councilman Cartechine	Yes	Councilwoman Lucachik	Yes
Councilwoman Martin	Yes	Councilwoman Selby	Yes

four (4) Yes Carried

A motion was made by Councilwoman Lucachik and seconded by Councilwoman Selby to approve the Use of Town Meeting Facility application from the Boston Democratic Social Club, August 18 and December 15, 2020, 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm, Town Hall Community Room and May 19, June 16, September 15, October 20, and November 17, 2020, 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm, Planning Board Room.

Councilman Cartechine	Yes	Councilwoman Lucachik	Yes
Councilwoman Martin	Yes	Councilwoman Selby	Yes

four (4) Yes Carried

A motion was made by Councilwoman Lucachik and seconded by Councilwoman Martin to approve the Use of Town Meeting Facility application for Hometown Heroes informational meeting, March 9, 2020, 7:00 pm, Planning Board Room.

Councilman Cartechine	Yes	Councilwoman Lucachik	Yes
Councilwoman Martin	Yes	Councilwoman Selby	Yes

four (4) Yes Carried

A motion was made by Councilwoman Martin and seconded by Councilwoman Selby to approve the Use of Town Meeting Facility application for Boston Young at Heart Seniors for meetings 2nd and 4th Fridays, 12:45 pm, and Boston Seniors for meetings 1st and 3rd Fridays, 12:45 pm, Town Hall Community Room with use of water and electricity.

Councilman Cartechine	Yes	Councilwoman Lucachik	Yes
Councilwoman Martin	Yes	Councilwoman Selby	Yes

four (4) Yes Carried

A motion was made by Councilwoman Selby and seconded by Councilman Cartechine,

RESOLUTION 2020-24

**ACQUISITION OF STREET LIGHT INTERSECTION
OF SHERO AND ZIMMERMAN ROADS**

WHEREAS, in order to continue to maintain the streetlight at that location, NYSEG requires a formal request by the Town to that NYSEG install and maintain an LED streetlight;

The Town Board of the Town of Boston hereby authorizes the Town Supervisor to execute an agreement with NYSEG for the installation and maintenance of a 3,000-lumen LED cobra-head streetlight at the intersection of Shero and Zimmerman Roads.

Councilman Cartechine	Yes	Councilwoman Lucachik	Yes
Councilwoman Martin	Yes	Councilwoman Selby	Yes

four (4) Yes Carried

A motion was made by Councilman Cartechine and seconded by Councilwoman Lucachik,

RESOLUTION 2020-25

**RETENTION OF LEGAL COUNSEL FOR
NEGOTIATIONS WITH BLUE WIRELESS**

The Town Board of the Town of Boston hereby authorizes the Town Supervisor to execute the retainer agreement with Lippes Mathias Wexler Friedman LLP to provide legal representation for the Town in connection with the Blue Wireless proposal.

Councilman Cartechine	Yes	Councilwoman Lucachik	Yes
Councilwoman Martin	Yes	Councilwoman Selby	Yes

four (4) Yes

Carried

A motion was made by Councilman Cartechine and seconded by Councilwoman Lucachik,

RESOLUTION 2020-26

**RESOLUTION OPPOSING GOVERNOR CUOMO
BUDGET AMENDMENT**

WHEREAS, On February 21, 2020, Governor Cuomo submitted a 30 day budget amendment entitled "Accelerated renewable energy growth and community benefit act" for the purposes of meeting the Governor's goals for renewable energy, and

WHEREAS, This amendment would establish a new system for permitting and siting renewable projects, setting aside the current "Article 10 Siting Board" process, and

WHEREAS, Permitting will now be under the jurisdiction of a new entity - Office of Renewable Energy Siting (ORES), and

WHEREAS, the powers assigned to ORES will totally usurp and diminish local home rule, local zoning codes, local planning and Local Waterfront Revitalization Plans when permitting and siting renewable energy projects, and

WHEREAS, ORES will now have the power to

- Make available to developers "build - ready" sites
- Develop "uniform permitting standards"
- "coordinate, approve, evaluate, issue, amend, transfer and enforce siting permits"
- Limit the ability of local governments to raise objections to proposed projects
- Direct local appeals to ORES decisions to litigation through the Article 78 process
- Prohibit local governments from requiring any additional approvals or permits

WHEREAS, By filling this action as a 30 day budget amendment, is ignoring and bypassing the legislative process of formulating policy through public input, public hearings and public debate in favor of a rushed and secretive process, and

WHEREAS, This amendment represents a blatant attempt to usurp local government's historical and constitutionally power of home rule in the areas of planning, zoning and land use,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Boston does hereby go on record strongly opposing this Governor’s attempt to dilute and usurp the roles and powers of local governments in New York State, and
FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that The Town of Boston, Urges State Legislators to oppose this amendment and have it removed from the final budget document and,
FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Speaker of the Assembly and Majority Leader of the Senate and Western New York Delegation.

Councilman Cartechine	Yes	Councilwoman Lucachik	Yes
Councilwoman Martin	Yes	Councilwoman Selby	Yes

four (4) Carried

Old business:

A motion was made by Councilwoman Lucachik and seconded by Councilwoman Selby,

RESOLUTION 2020-23 APPROVE THE REWIRING OF THE TOWN HALL IT INFRASTRUCTURE

WHEREAS, the Town of Boston Town Hall (located at 8500 Boston State Rd., Boston, New York 14025) has an unreliable IT infrastructure due, in part, to outdated or insufficient communications cable wiring; and
WHEREAS, the Town Hall repeatedly loses internet because of the unreliable infrastructure; and
WHEREAS, when it was first installed, all of the IT equipment was placed in the boiler room, susceptible to water and heat damage; and
WHEREAS, in order to restore reliable internet service and to relocate the IT equipment to a safer location, it is necessary to rewire the Town Hall;
WHEREAS, the cost of the rewiring is estimated to be over the \$1,500 but less than \$5,000 threshold requiring oral or fax quotes from at least three vendors per the Town’s purchasing policy if possible; and
WHEREAS, the attached quotes were obtained;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Boston authorizes the Supervisor to schedule IT rewiring work with Kiercom Communications Inc. at a cost of \$1,500.

Councilman Cartechine	Yes	Councilwoman Lucachik	Yes
Councilwoman Martin	Yes	Councilwoman Selby	Yes

four (4) Yes Carried

Reports and Presentations:

Councilwoman Selby reported on the following:

Nothing to report.

Councilman Cartechine reported on the following:

Boston Colden Chamber of Commerce, "Seats for Eats" fundraiser event, May 13th at 6:00 pm at the Topsy Goat in Colden.
Bread of Life Outreach serves many in the Boston community with meals, Filled backpacks, boots, coats and mittens, Thanksgiving and Christmas meals, Christmas gifts, and facilitated National Fuel winter readiness kits. Ellen Munger and Barbara Moore have submitted a letter proposing a non-perishable food box for the Town.

Councilwoman Lucachik reported on the following:

Planning Board meeting has been canceled due to lack of agenda items.

Councilwoman Martin reported on the following:

Will be attending the Zoning Board tomorrow March 5th, 7:00 pm Work Session and 7:15 pm Meeting.

Town Clerk Quinlan reported on the following:

Connect Life Blood Drive from February 24th collected 10 pints whole blood, 3 units double reds and saved 48 lives.
Boston Lions Club Spaghetti Dinner and Chinese Auction, March 7th, 3:30 to 6:30 pm at Patchin Fire Hall.
Sunning Electronic Recycling drop-off event, March 21st, 9:00 am to Noon, 1200 East & West Road, West Seneca.
Tax payments are due Monday March 16th to be paid in office or postmarked March 16th, extended hours Friday March 13th 9 am to 6 pm, Saturday March 14th 9am to Noon, Monday March 16th 9 am to 6 pm.
Drop box located to the left of the front door for your convenience.

Deputy Supervisor Hawkins reported on the following:

Erie County Water Authority and Clark Patterson Lee are finishing up the reports for Water District 1 repair.
Community Room has been updated with audio system upgrades, speakers to cover the ceiling of the entire room and supporting modern audio components.
Court Room audio project funded by the JCAP grant will be completed by the next Town Board meeting.

REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MARCH 4, 2020

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TOWN HALL
7:30 P.M.

Hometown Heroes meeting March 9th, 7:00 pm, Planning Board room, seeking volunteers to discuss flag banners to be hung in town.

A motion was made by Deputy Supervisor Hawkins and seconded by Councilwoman Lucachik to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Councilman Cartechine	Yes	Councilwoman Lucachik	Yes
Councilwoman Martin	Yes	Councilwoman Selby	Yes

four (4) Yes

Carried

SANDRA L. QUINLAN, BOSTON TOWN CLERK