



Select Board Meeting Minutes- Approved  
Holland Town Hall  
Virtual & Physical Meeting for Board Members Only  
**Thursday, October 29th, 2020**  
6:00 PM

*Virtual Meeting Attendance Members: Select Board Member: Bettina Schmidt & Select Board Member: Clelland Johnson; Town Administrator: Janine Drake.*

*Absent at Times Due to Technical Difficulties: Select Board Member: Larry Mandell.*

*Finance Board Members: Finance Board, Chair: Stacy Stout; Finance Board, Member: Sharon Ashleigh; Finance Board, Member: Andy Harhay; Finance Board Member: Ernie Fancy & Finance Board Alternate: Kelli Robbins*

*Others Present Virtually: Highway Surveyor: Brian Johnson; Joe Passy/CannaMountain; Caller 1; Caller 2; Caller 3 and Caller 4.*

**Ms. Schmidt opened meeting at 6:01 PM**

Ms. Schmidt announced the following information prior to our virtual meeting:

Pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §18, and the Governor's March 15, 2020 Order imposing strict limitation on the number of people that may gather in one place, this meeting of the Town of Holland, Select Board will be conducted via remote participation to the greatest extent possible. Specific information and the general guidelines for remote participation by members of the public and/or parties with a right and/or requirement to attend this meeting can be found on the Town of Holland's website, at <https://town.holland.ma.us/>.

No in-person attendance of members of the public will be permitted, but every effort will be made to ensure that the public can adequately access the proceedings in real time, via technological means. In the event that we are unable to do so, despite best efforts, we will post on our Town's website an audio or video recording, transcript, or other **comprehensive record** of proceedings as soon as possible after the meeting.

**The public will not be allowed into a Board/Committee meeting, even where there are any members of the public body and/or [city/town] staff or official(s) physically present at the meeting location during the meeting. "Public comment" portions of meetings will be temporarily suspended.**

Meeting room link: <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/164106317>

Call the following number and follow the instructions: United States: +1 (669) 224-3412 Your access code: 164-106-317

**1. Pole Hearing Date Discussion:**

**Motion 10292020- 1:** Ms. Schmidt made a motion to set a Pole Hearing for 5pm at the SB's November 24<sup>th</sup>, 2020 meeting. **2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Johnson. Roll Call Vote: Bettina Schmidt: YES; Clelland Johnson: YES & Larry Mandell: YES.**

**2. PVPC FY2019 CDBG Invoices #4 & #5 Signatures:**

**Motion 10292020- 2:** Ms. Schmidt made a motion to approve and sign PVPC's FY2019 CDBG Invoices for #4 & #5. **2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Mandell. Roll Call Vote: Bettina Schmidt: YES; Clelland Johnson: YES & Larry Mandell: YES.**

**3. Outreach Coordinator Search Committee (OCSC) Members :**

**Motion 10292020- 3:** Mr. Johnson made a motion to add Jennifer Mott to the OCSC Members . **2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Mandell. Roll Call Vote: Bettina Schmidt: YES; Clelland Johnson: YES & Larry Mandell: YES.**

#### **4. Cable Commissioner's Permission to Borrow Former Cable Equipment for Tantasqua Play:**

**Motion 10292020- 4:** Ms. Schmidt made a motion to allow Simone LaPlante to borrow the former cable equipment for the upcoming Tantasqua play. 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Mandell.

**Roll Call Vote:** Bettina Schmidt: YES; Clelland Johnson: YES & Larry Mandell: YES.

#### **5. Building Commissioner's New Employee Report Form Signature:**

**Motion 10292020- 5:** Mr. Johnson made a motion to approve and sign the new Building Commissioner's New Employee Report Form. 2<sup>nd</sup> Ms. Schmidt.

**Roll Call Vote:** Bettina Schmidt: YES; Clelland Johnson: YES & Larry Mandell: YES.

Ms. Schmidt opened Joint Meeting with the Finance Board (FB) at 6:07pm.

#### **6. Warrant Article Discussion and Endorsements:**

**Article #5: Motion 10292020- 6:** Ms. Schmidt made a motion to approve article 5. 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Johnson.

**Roll Call Vote:** Bettina Schmidt: YES & Clelland Johnson: YES & Larry Mandell: Abstained.

**Article #9: Motion 10292020- 7:** Ms. Schmidt made a motion to approve \$80,000 and transfer funds from Highway Stabilization Account. 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Johnson.

**Roll Call Vote:** Bettina Schmidt: YES & Clelland Johnson: YES & Larry Mandell: Abstained.

**Discussion:** Brian Johnson didn't feel this was a good idea, in case the Highway Stabilization Account gets depleted by Spring, then there will not be any funds before end of FY.

**Article #10 Motion 10292020- 8:** Ms. Schmidt made a motion to vote to fund the Tree Warden Expense line for \$25,000. 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Johnson.

**Roll Call Vote:** Bettina Schmidt: YES & Clelland Johnson: NO & Larry Mandell: Abstained.

**Motion Fails.**

**Article #10 Motion 10292020- 9:** Ms. Schmidt made a motion to vote to fund the Tree Warden Expense line for \$10,000. 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Johnson.

**Roll Call Vote:** Bettina Schmidt: YES & Clelland Johnson: YES & Larry Mandell: Abstained.

**Article #11 Motion 10292020- 10:** Mr. Johnson made a motion that we transfer from the 907 Deputy Collector's Reimbursement account a sum of \$50,000 for the Fire Department's equipment account for the Fire Fighters turn out gear and we raise and appropriate from other available funds to get to the other \$600.00. 2<sup>nd</sup> Ms. Schmidt.

**Roll Call Vote:** Bettina Schmidt: YES & Clelland Johnson: YES & Larry Mandell: Abstained.

#### **FB's AGENDA**

- Approval of Finance Board Minutes for 10/7, 10/19. 10/21
- Special Town Meeting Discussion
- Warrant Articles Discussion and Endorsements
- Roundtable

- Summary of Take-aways/Action items

**Motion 10202020-11:** Ms. Schmidt made a motion to adjourn at 7:05 PM. **2<sup>nd</sup>** Mr. Johnson.

**Roll Call Vote:** Bettina Schmidt: Yes; Clelland Johnson: Yes & Larry Mandell: Abstained.

Respectfully submitted,

Janine C. Drake  
Town Administrator