GENERAL SESSION

Pledge of Allegiance
The Chairman called the Board of Selectmen (BOS) meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

095 Approval: Board of Selectmen
Permanent Change to Meeting Start Time

The BOS held a trial period of starting the meetings at 6:00 p.m. rather than 7:00 p.m. and were satisfied with making this the permanent starting time.

Motion: Selectman Hogan moved to permanently change the starting time of the Board of Selectmen's meeting from 7:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Seconded by Selectman Morandi approved. (5-0-0)

096 Proclamation: Recognition - DPW/National Public Awareness Week
1st place Winners (Burlington Highway)

John Sanchez, DPW Director was present. In recognition of Department of Public Works National Public Awareness Week, the BOS presented a proclamation to all employees of this department. Town Administrator John Petrin (T.A. Petrin) and the members recognized each of the department's divisions and expressed pride with the entire department.

Mr. Sanchez next reported that Chris Lavoie and Dan Matarazzo of the Highway Department took first place in the Essex County Public Works Snow Plow Safety Competition. They were each recognized and presented with a proclamation from the BOS.

097 Announcement: Board of Library Trustees
Available Position

T.A. Petrin reported that the Board of Library Trustee has a position open that was not filled in the recent election and the public is invited to consider applying for the position.
098  Public Hearing: Approval/Grant of Location/Street Opening
        Installation-Underground Fiber Optic Conduit
        400 Wheeler Rd

The public hearing was opened. Fred York contractor for Lightower Fiber Networks was present seeking BOS approval for a Grant of Location to construct a line of underground fiber optic conduit, including the necessary sustaining and protecting fixtures with trenching being performed off Middlesex Turnpike to install approximately 45' of 1-4" of 1-4" SCH40 PVC conduit in the soil at the rear of the pole approximately 45’ to the beginning of the private property of Wheeler Road to service 400 Wheeler Road. Staff did not have any concerns with this request, and they will be working and finalizing conditions with Engineering.

No one from the public spoke.

Motion: Selectman Morandi moved to close the public hearing. Seconded by Selectman Hogan and approved. (5-0-0)

Motion: Selectman Morandi moved to approve a Grant of Location to Lightower Fiber Networks for the installation of conduit for fiber optic to service 400 Wheeler Road. Seconded by Selectman Hogan and approved. (5-0-0)

099  Approval: Use of Town Common
        Indian Americans for Burlington
        Festival of Lights

Members of Indian Americans for Burlington (IAB) were present seeking BOS approval to hold a Diwali lighting ceremony on the Town Common on October 15, 2017 from noon to 7:00 p.m. The ceremony includes decorating and lighting a few trees around the gazebo and transforming the gazebo for that day into a prototype of an Indian home. They requested to have the lights remain lit on the trees through October 23, 2017. They were asked to work with the Recreation Department for approval and assistance with their request for tree lighting and extra trash barrels. They were also asked to contact the Board of Health for a food permit.

Motion: Selectman Runyan moved to approve the use of the Town Common on October 15, 2017 from noon to 7:00 p.m. by the Indian Americans for Burlington for a Festival of Lights and that the lights may remain lit until October 23, 2017. Seconded by Selectman Morandi and approved. (5-0-0)

100  Discussion: Use of Town Common Sign Posts for Banners
        Burlington Breakfast Rotary Club

Kevin McKelvey, Burlington Breakfast Rotary Club was present with its President, Mike Fazio, seeking BOS approval to allow for a banner from May 22 to 24 to promote the May 24 Champagne Art Auction fund raiser for People Helping People/Food Pantry, HELPIS, Relay for Life, and Burlington Police Patrolmen's RAD Program. T.A. Petrin explained that many requests are received for banners, and the policy is to allow Town government only sponsored events and certain long-standing groups. After discussion the BOS agreed to consider a vote to allow this banner be placed for this particular use benefitting these parties, with the applicants being advised that any approval would not set precedence. Chairman Hartling recommended the BOS revisit the issue of banners.

Motion: Selectman Hogan moved to allow the one-time placement of a banner for the Burlington Breakfast Rotary Club Champagne Art Auction Fundraiser on May 22-24, 2017. Seconded by Selectman Runyan and approved. (5-0-0)
May Town Meeting Warrant

Warrant, backup, proposed operating budget have been mailed to Town Meeting members. The BOS's articles were revisited to allow for a vote from Selectman Tigges

Article 4 Transfer From Free Cash to Stabilization Fund

Motion: Selectman Hogan moved to transfer $1,200,000 from Free Cash to place in Town's Stabilization Account. Seconded by Selectman Morandi and approved. (5-0-0)

Motion: Selectman Hogan moved to approve the following. Seconded by Selectman Morandi.
Article 7-1 CONSERVATION Open Space and Recreation Plan ConCom $20,000 Approved (5-0-0)
Article 7-2 DPW- Traffic light Repair - Bedford St./MTP Ext. Selectmen $300,000 Approved (5-0-0)
Article 7-3 DPW Stream Cleaning/Drainage Repair Selectmen $200,000 Approved (5-0-0)
Article 7-4 DPW Vehicles Replacement Selectmen $510,000 Approved (5-0-0)
Article 7-5 DPW Fire Headquarters-HVAC (Boiler/Controls) Selectmen $20,000 Approved (5-0-0)
Article 7-18 DPW Sewer Pump Station Maintenance Selectmen $50,000 Approved (5-0-0)
Article 7-19 DPW I/I Mitigation - Structural Improvements Selectmen $300,000 Approved (5-0-0)
Article 8 Sewer Services Enterprise Fund MWRA Assessment $5,349,835 Approved (5-0-0)
Article 9 MWRA I/I Debt Service $117,915 Approved (5-0-0)
Article 10 Chapter 90 Approved (5-0-0)
Article 12 Application of Bond Premium Approved (5-0-0)
Article 13 Bond Authorization-Water Main - Upgrade/Replacement 1,000,000 Approved (5-0-0)
Article 14 Sidewalk Restoration/Upgrade $1,000,000 Approved (5-0-0)
Article 17 Building Department Salary $130,000 Approved (5-0-0)
Article 18 Amend Administrative and Professional Classification Plan Approved (5-0-0)
Article 19 Fund the Administrative & Professional Compensation Plan $90,566 Approved (5-0-0)
Article 24 Fourth of July Parade $15,000 Approved (5-0-0)
Article 25 Grant of Release of Easement 14 Luther Road Approved (5-0-0)
Article 26 Grant of Easement 16R Briarwood Lane Approved (5-0-0)
Article 27 Adoption of MGL Chapter 33, Section 59 by the Town of Burlington, Massachusetts Approved (5-0-0)

Motion: Selectman Hogan moved to approve the following. Seconded by Selectman Morandi.
Article 7-6 POLICE Firearms Range Improvements Selectmen $118,534 Approved (4-0-1 with Selectman Tigges abstaining)
Article 7-7 POLICE TASERS Selectmen $59,551 Approved (4-0-1 with Selectman Tigges abstaining)
Article 28 An Act Relative to Special Police Officers in the Town of Burlington Approved (4-0-1 with Selectman Tigges abstaining)

Notice: 2016 Annual Report

Selectman Hogan reported that the 2016 Annual Report is complete and thanked departments for the submissions and staff for its completion.
Approval: Minutes

- **November 14, 2016 General Session**
  
  **Motion:** Selectman Hogan moved to approve the minutes of November 14, 2016 as submitted. Seconded by Selectman Morandi and approved. (4-0-1 with Selectman Tigges abstaining)

- **November 28, 2016 General Session**
  
  **Motion:** Selectman Hogan moved to approve the minutes of November 28, 2016 as submitted. Seconded by Selectman Morandi and approved. (4-0-1 with Selectman Tigges abstaining)

- **January 9, 2017 General Session**
  
  **Motion:** Selectman Hogan moved to approve the minutes of January 9, 2017 as submitted. Seconded by Selectman Morandi and approved. (4-0-1 with Selectman Tigges abstaining)

Citizen's Time:
Anne Bartels Whitson was present to request sidewalks for Terrace Hall Ave and was seeking information on inconsistencies of the sidewalks for redeveloped and new projects on Terrace Hall Avenue. It was explained that certain projects work with the Planning Board to have funding put aside by the developer for sidewalks, but this does not fall under the BOS's jurisdiction. May requests are received for sidewalks in various locations. The Town does not have a policy at this time or the funds for new sidewalks. Chairman Hartling said more discussions are planned with the BOS, Planning, and Engineering, and he will provide a response, but reiterated that at this time there are no funds for sidewalk construction in that area.

104 Subcommittee Reports

**Selectman Morandi:** yard waste pick up ends the week of May 22.

**Selectman Hogan:** residents were reminded that Memorial Day is May 29, 2017 and the annual replacement of all the flags on the graves of veterans in Town cemeteries is taking place May 19, 2017.

**Selectman Runyan:** the Town has started its odd/even water ban mode.

The recent Dancing with the Stars event was a success and the Town was well represented. The Marriott Hotel was thanked for their hospitality.

105 Town Administrator's Report: None.

106 Chairman's Report

Chairman Hartling welcomed new member Jim Tigges.

He said there are still spots available at the Burlington Area Chamber of Commerce's Harold DuLong Scholarship luncheon which is being held on April 27, 2017 at Landana Restaurant with guest speaker Bill Pohler.

107 Old/New Business: None.

Adjourn:

**Motion:** Selectman Hogan moved to adjourn at 8:05 p.m. Seconded by Selectman Hartling and approved. (4-0-0)

Submitted by,

Betty McDonough, Recording Clerk
April 24, 2017

Approval: Board of Selectmen/Permanent Change to Meeting Start Time

Proclamation: Recognition - DPW/National Public Awareness Week, Essex County Public Works Snow Plow Safety Competition 1st place, Winners (Burlington Highway

Announcement: Board of Library Trustees Available Position - ltr from awarfield to jpetrin re one seat open

Public Hearing: Approval/Grant of Location/Street Opening/Installation-Underground Fiber Optic Conduit, 400 Wheeler Rd - 4/24/17 Grant of Location form; public hearing notice; staff comments; 4/5/17 ltr from lightower requesting grant of location; order for underground fiber optic facilities; plot plan

Approval: Use of Town Common/Indian Americans for Burlington/Festival of Lights - 3/7/17 ltr from IAB to jpetrin requesting use of common; description of celebrating diwali

Discussion: Use of Town Common Sign Posts for Banners/Burlington Breakfast Rotary Club - Poster; description of who is allowed to use the sign posts; 4/20/17 email from kmckelvey to jpetrin requesting use of sign post

Discussion/Approval: May Town Meeting Warrant - Town Meeting Warrant and Backup - $1,000,000 sidewalk restoration/upgrade backup to article 14; 2017 sidewalk re-construction policy and map of streets

Notice: 2016 Annual Report

Approval: Minutes - November 14, 2016 General Session, November 28, General Session, January 9, 2017 General Session

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