Board of Selectmen Present: Daniel Grattan, Chairman; Christopher Hartling, Vice-Chairman; Robert Hogan; Michael Runyan; Joseph Morandi
Also Present: John Petrin, Town Administrator

GENERAL SESSION
Pledge of Allegiance
The Chairman called the Board of Selectmen (BOS) meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

236 Presentation: Weights and Measures Cabinet
Present was Michael Tredeau, President of the Historical District Commission to assist in the presentation of the Town's weights and measures cabinet which contains every piece of the original equipment. Town Administrator John Petrin (T.A. Petrin) thanked the commission for their efforts on preserving and restoring this piece of history. All agreed it was a fine addition to the Town's main meeting room.

237 Appointment: Boards and Committees: Cultural Council
• Fire Department
• Special Police
Cultural Council: At the recommendation of the Cultural Counsel T.A. Petrin appointed Gia Vento as a member of the Council and requested the BOS waive the standard fifteen-day waiting period.

Motion: Selectman Hogan moved to waive the standard fifteen-day waiting period for the appointment of Gia Vento as a member of the Cultural Council. Seconded by Selectman Morandi and approved. (5-0-0)

Fire Department: Chief Steve Yetman was present to recommend Michael Morgan to fill the firefighter vacancy. He explained that the civil service procedure was followed and all names were interviewed. Mr. Morgan was the most qualified, and his background includes service in the U.S. Army as a ranger. T.A. Petrin agreed with the recommendation stating the candidate would be a good fit for the department and was pleased to appoint Mr. Morgan to the position of firefighter and requested the BOS waive the standard fifteen-day waiting period.

Motion: Selectman Hogan moved to waive the standard fifteen-day waiting period for the appointment of Michael Morgan as a firefighter. Seconded by Selectman Morandi and approved. (5-0-0)

Special Police: At the recommendation of Police Chief Michael Kent, T.A. Petrin appointed two Special Police Officers, Anthony Salvucci an academy self sponsor as well as Officer Steve Cross who is retiring from the force after
33 years of service. Officer Cross was congratulated for his many years of dedication to the police force. It was noted that he served as one of the Town's DARE Officers and School Officer. All wished him well on his retirement.

**Motion:** Selectman Hogan moved to waive the standard fifteen-day waiting period for the appointment of Anthony Salvucci and Officer Steve Cross to the position of Special Police. Seconded by Selectman Morandi and approved. (5-0-0)

Chief Kent was commended for his leadership role as treasurer with the Northeastern Massachusetts Law Enforcement Council (NEMLEC).

238 **Approval:** Warrant for the State Election
Town Clerk Amy Warfield was present for BOS approval of the Warrant for the State Election being held on November 8, 2016 from 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

**Motion:** Selectman Hogan moved to approve the Warrant for the State Election being held on November 8, 2016. Seconded by Selectman Hartling and approved. (5-0-0)

239 **Informational:** Early Election Voting Hours in Burlington
Ms. Warfield said early voting started today with 413 people voting and will be held for ten days. This was a first for the Town, and the members were provided with dates and times. An optical scanner will be used versus a computer, and she assured that the election will not be rigged. Equal representation will be present at the voting location and assistance will be provided as necessary. The potential for no excuse absentee ballots was discussed.

240 **Discussion/Health Care Premiums**

Approval:
Town Treasurer Brian Curtin was present seeking BOS approval of the proposed 2017 rate changes for health insurance for both active and retired health care members. Increases from 2012-2016 were reviewed. Meetings are held throughout the prior year with staff and unions to study ways to control costs and improve wellness. The Town is in good financial condition with respect to the health insurance trust fund and performance over the last four years has improved significantly and investment income was described.

The health insurance rate increase being recommended for active employees (self funded) effective January 1, 2017 for all health plans is 3%. For the Senior Plans (supplement to Medicare), the increase will depend on the plan and town location and will average from 6% to a high of 19%. Co-pay for drugs will increase and increases in premiums will be kept to a minimum.

**Motion:** Selectman Hogan moved to approve the health care rate increases as presented. Seconded by Selectman Morandi and approved. (5-0-0)

241 **Report:** Drugs & Alcohol

Burlington Youth and Family Services and Police Department

Present was Police Chief Michael Kent and Christine Shruhan, Director, Youth and Family Services to comment on the restructuring of how drugs and alcohol are viewed and to discuss the upcoming ballot question #4, which if passed will legalize the use of recreational marijuana in Massachusetts which could have potential impact on the youth.
Ms. Shruhan talked about the revamped Drug and Alcohol Task Force and tracking the high level of drug overdoses. The task force will continue to raise public awareness, and they as well as the Burlington Police Department have information and resources available. Chief Kent addressed the training involved for the "comply and consent law."

242 Discussion: Ballot Question #4
Recreational use of marijuana will be on the ballot and the potential impact continues to be studied. The significant risk of overdose and the potential for driving impairment was discussed. Chief Kent said if the law passes, this community will continue to examine the implications. If the law passes, this community will continue to examine the implications.

243 Report: Police Bicycle Reservoir Patrol Program
Chief Kent presented an update on the program to patrol the Mill Pond Reservoir. Walking the site is acceptable, but individuals have been swimming, littering, and dogs have been off leash, etc. The step-up in patrols has reduced the amount of issues occurring at this location. There are plans to repeat the program in the summer. Chief Kent said the public is made aware of the program which is run in conjunction with recommendations from the DPW and Conservation. The members thanked the Chief for the work done by the department.

244 Hearing: Approval/Change of Manager
Redstone American Grill of Burlington, LLC
d/b/a Redstone American Grill
Ruben Mauricio Maciel Bastida was present seeking approval to be the manager at Redstone American Grill. He said he received two months of training and has been working at Redstone for one month. He has read and understands the Town's Alcohol Rules and Regulations and Serving Policy and is confident he will run a safe restaurant.

Motion: Selectman Hartling moved to approve the change of manager at Redstone American Grill of Burlington, LLC d/b/a Redstone American Grill to Ruben Mauricio Maciel Bastida. Seconded by Selectman Hogan and approved. (5-0-0)

245 Certificates: Troop 103 Eagle Scout Court of Honor
The next Burlington Troop 103 Eagle Scout Court of Honor for Adam Bruce Jankowski, Matthew Robert Jankowski, and Michael Phillip Pascale is November 12, 2016. Selectmen Hogan read the prepared proclamations from the BOS which dedicated one day each to the young men. T.A. Petrin and the BOS congratulated the scouts and their families for the fine work done on their complex projects.

246 Approval: 40B Housing - Corporate Center
Present were Attorney Bob Buckley, Riemer & Braunstein and Chris Chandor, Sr. Vice President, the Davis Companies. The Board of Selectmen's subcommittee has been negotiating with the Davies Companies on the Friendly 40B project at Burlington Corporate Center. It was discussed that although the Town is currently recognized as being at the State's required 10%, it is expected this may change after the 2020 census. The current plan allows for the opportunity to work with developers.

The complex will have 270 units with 25% being affordable under state guidelines. They have been working through the normal site review process with staff. At this time, T.A. Petrin explained, a vote to support the project is required of the BOS, and a comprehensive permit will be filed with the Zoning Board of Appeals (BOA). The developer will work to cover legal costs. If approved by the BOA, the plan will be submitted to the State for approval.
T.A. Petrin thanked Jim Doherty, Housing Coordinator, for his efforts on the housing plan. The BOS concurred and were pleased to see this initiative moving forward. The BOS also thanked the departments and administration for their efforts in this proactive endeavor. The BOS at this time need to approve the concept of the plan.

**Motion:** Selectman Runyan moved to support the negotiated agreement and to support the concept of The Davis Companies' Friendly 40B affordable housing project at the Burlington Corporate Center. Seconded by Selectman Hogan and approved. (5-0-0)

**247 Discussion: Sidewalk Update**

Tom Hayes, Town Engineer and John Sanchez, Director, DPW were present to review the inventory map that has been created with the Planning Department. The various options for material were reviewed. T.A. Petrin said the next discussion will be how to approach this sidewalk program in accordance with road safety and crucial projects. Annual expenses will be identified and a capital planning discussion will be held with the Town Accountant. A workshop will be scheduled at the beginning of the year.

**248 Approval: Minutes:**

- **July 18, 2016 General Session**

**Motion:** Selectman Hogan moved to approve the July 18, 2016 General Session minutes as submitted. Seconded by Selectman Morandi and approved. (5-0-0)

- **August 15, 2016 General Session**

**Motion:** Selectman Hogan moved to approve the August 15, 2016 General Session minutes as submitted. Seconded by Selectman Morandi and approved. (5-0-0)

- **September 12, 2016 General Session**

**Motion:** Selectman Hogan moved to approve the September 12, 2016 General Session minutes as submitted. Seconded by Selectman Morandi and approved. (5-0-0)

- **September 28, 2016 General Session**

**Motion:** Selectman Hogan moved to approve the September 28, 2016 General Session minutes as submitted. Seconded by Selectman Morandi and approved. (5-0-0)

- **October 3, 2016 General Session**

The minutes of October 3 2016 were postponed to the next meeting.

**249 Subcommittee Reports**

**Selectman Runyan** commended Bob Benard for his donation of three snow blowers to the Town and for agreeing to let the town borrow stream cleaning equipment.

The Town's Fuel Assistance programs begin on November 2, 2016.

A van has been purchased for the COA using proceeds from the Millipore TIF.

**Selectman Morandi** said the yard waste pick up starts this week and ends the last week in November.

The bow hunting season at the Landlocked Parcel started October 17 and will end on December 31, 2016.
The St. Marks Church pumpkin patch fund raiser for People Helping People was a success.

Selectman Hogan gave condolences to the Grace family on the passing of Martin Grace.

250 Town Administrator's Report
The water restrictions are still in place as the water in the reservoir is still down. The temporary hook up with MWRA at the Lexington line has taken place.

251 Chairman's Report
Chairman Grattan added that the current water ban will stay in effect until it is lifted by the BOS.

The auditors have completed reviewing the Town's records.

252 Old/New Business: None.

Citizen's Time: No one spoke.

Adjourn:

Motion: Selectman Hogan moved to adjourn at 8:55 p.m. Seconded by Selectman Hartling and approved. (5-0-0)

Submitted by, 
Betty McDonough
Recording Clerk
Agenda

236 Presentation: Weights and Measures Cabinet - sample of style of cabinet

237 Appointment: Boards and Committees: Cultural Council - appointment sheet

238 Approval: Warrant for the State Election - Warrant for the state election with outline of ballot questions

239 Informational: Early Election Voting Hours in Burlington - information & list of voting hours; flyer

240 Discussion/Approval: Health Care Premiums - proposed letter to active employees and retirees re proposed 2017 rate changes, explanation and charts

241 Report: Drugs & Alcohol/Burlington Youth and Family Services and Police Department -

242 Discussion: Ballot Question #4 - question 4 law proposed by initiative petition ballot question

243 Report: Police Bicycle Reservoir Patrol Program -

244 Hearing: Approval/Change of Manager/Redstone American Grill of Burlington, LLC d/b/a Redstone American Grill - petition for change of license ruben bastida; manager application; personal information form; written consent of management; note stating policies read and understood; resume; passport; license; us papers; application for permanent status; notary of translation; tips certification

245 Certificates: Troop 103 Eagle Scout Court of Honor - invitation; 3 proclamations

246 Approval: 40Housing - Corporate Center - email from jp to bos 10/20/16 re corporate center

247 Discussion: Sidewalk Update - sample of tar sidewalk and concrete border; costs for materials (dated 5/4/16); sidewalk inventory summary; data of sidewalk costs; map of Burlington sidewalk inventory

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Adjourn