

**HOLDEN BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
MEETING MINUTES  
March 27, 2023**

**6:30PM**

**Senior Center**

Present: Anthony Renzoni, Stephanie Mulroy, Geri Herlihy, Richard Bates  
(participating remotely), Thomas Curran

Others Present: Peter Lukes, Town Manager  
Steven Madaus, Town Counsel  
Ms. King, Assistant Town Manager  
Liz Fotos, Town Recorder (Participating remotely)

Chairman Renzoni called the Board of Selectmen meeting to order. The Board stood to recite the Pledge of Allegiance. Chairman Renzoni stated that Sel. Bates was participating remotely this evening and all votes would be taken by a roll call vote.

**1. Appointments, Licenses, Permits**

None

**2. Selectmen Miscellaneous**

None

**3. Town Manager Update**

None

**4. Selectmen Subcommittee**

Chairman Renzoni stated that he went to the FinCom meeting with the Town Manager last Wednesday and Water/Sewer was discussed. He stated that he was asked to come back to the next meeting to do a follow up discussion as he was the liaison to Water/Sewer and the liaison to FinCom.

**5. Citizens Address**

No Citizens were present at the meeting but the Board indicated if someone came in they would call them up for Citizens Address

**6. Flood Plain Overlay District Bylaw Amendment, Section XVI, Approval and Referral to the Planning Board**

Mr. Lukes stated that the Board would need to vote on the Flood Plain Overlay District Bylaw Amendment and refer it to the Planning Board so they could vote on it for Town

Meeting as well. He stated that the reason this was before the Board was because it was required by Federal Law. He stated that moving forward they would not accept local codes. He stated Patrick from DPW was present to discuss this in further detail.

Patrick Wood, DPW, was present at the meeting. He stated that they have been working with DCR and FEMA maps were in the process of being updated. He stated that Holden is in the watershed so they asked for us to provide our bylaw and they reviewed it. He stated that they provided comments about additional information that they would like to see and there has been some back and forth and what you have in front of you is the current draft. Mr. Wood stated that eventually the flood plain maps would be updated based on the newest information they have. He stated current maps were dated 1981. He stated what is in front of you will not change anything we are doing, it just adds some language so we are in compliance. He stated we are able to take the information from the state and overlay it on our GIS map. He stated that we are just taking this opportunity to work with the state model and updating the bylaws.

Chairman Renzoni asked if he is in the flood plain, when the new maps come out how it will impact him.

Mr. Woods replied that they would likely have to get flood insurance and your bank would likely contact you. He stated if you don't believe your house is in a flood plain you can get another report to challenge that.

Chairman Renzoni asked if there are dramatic changes, were we prepared to challenge the findings.

Mr. Lukes replied that he expected that this is something that the town would leave up to the Planning Board as it was their area of expertise.

Sel. Mulroy asked if the bylaws would effect people that were already in the flood plain.

Mr. Woods replied they would not.

Sel. Curran asked if they anticipated a lot of changes.

Mr. Woods did not believe there would be but he did not have the information so he could not answer it.

Sel. Curran asked how people would be notified.

Mr. Woods replied that he believed banks would notify homeowners.

Chairman Renzoni asked if they could use the GIS system to see new and old information. Mr. Woods replied that he believed that they could do that.

Motion by Sel. Mulroy, seconded by Sel. Curran, it was **UNANIMOUSLY VOTED BY A ROLL CALL VOTE TO APPROVE THE BYLAW AMMENDMENTS FOR THE FLOOD PLAIN OVERLAY AND REFER THEM TO THE PLANNING BOARD AS PRESENTED.** (Bates: yes; Curran: yes; Herlihy: yes; Mulroy: yes; Renzoni: yes).

Motion by Sel. Curran, seconded by Sel. Mulroy, it was **UNANIMULY VOTED BY A ROLL CALL VOTE TO ADJOURN THE MARCH 27, 2023 BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING AT 6:40PM.**

APPROVED: 6/5/23 APPROVED AS PRESENTED