TOWN OF BELCHERTOWN
BOARD OF SELECTMEN’S MEETING MINUTES
SATURDAY, AUGUST 17, 2019
Selectmen’s Meeting Room, Lawrence Memorial Hall

Present: Ed Boscher, Gail Gramarossa, Brenda Q. Aldrich, Jen D. Turner, Nicholas O’Connor; Town Administrator Gary Brougham

Chairman Boscher called the meeting to order at 6:45 a.m.

The purpose of this meeting was to allow the Board of Selectmen and Town Administrator an opportunity to discuss concerns, potential goals and objectives, short and long term.

Many items were discussed to include but not limited to the following:
- The Town’s form of government
- Upcoming retirements within the senior management team
- The need for an updated / expanded town website
- An aging population and how Belchertown can become a more age friendly community
- Climate change and how Belchertown will prepare for its impacts
- The feasibility of returning to weekly selectmen meetings
- Budgetary challenges
- Increased funding for roads and bridges
- Charter / Spectrum citizen complaints
- Annual reappointments of board and committee members
- How Belchertown may expand its business community
- A review / update of the town work place policies
- The need for an inventory of all town buildings and space assignments
- Potential amendments to the town’s marijuana by-law
- How to restart efforts to create a disc golf facility

Selectmen O’Connor will further define the spreadsheet he created at this session to distribute to the Board for further consideration and discussion at a future meeting.

No formal motions or votes resulted from this meeting. Meeting adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

Minutes submitted by Gary L. Brougham, Town Administrator

Board approved/endorsed: 8/26/19

Board of Selectmen - Town of Belchertown

Endorsed by a majority:

Ed Boscher, Chairman
Gail Gramarossa
Nicholas O’Connor

Brenda Q. Aldrich
Jen D. Turner