

TOWN OF STERLING  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
November 18, 2019

**MEETING:**

Chairman Kilcoyne called the All Boards meeting to order at 6:35 pm. Roll Call: Chairman Kilcoyne – Present. Selectman Cranson - Present. Selectwoman Sonnenberg - Present. Town Administrator, Ross Perry and Executive Assistant, Kama Jayne were also Present.

The purpose of this meeting was to foster communication between all Boards/Committees by sharing their FY 20-21 goals. The emphasis was placed on goals that support Economic Development and the Master Plan. The common belief among participants was that collaboration and respect will ultimately result in a stronger community fabric.

Time was limited for each presentation. The following is a synopsis of each Board/Committees goals for the coming year.

**Board of Selectmen**

- The Board of Selectmen have generalized their goals. They plan to support and initiate actions that will further economic development and the Master Plan.

**Finance Committee**

- Appoint (2) members

**Capital Budget Committee**

- Fill vacancy
- Encourage long range planning (5 year plan)

**School Committee**

- Provide Counselors in the Elementary Schools
- Update the facilities
- Pursue reimbursements

**Assessors**

- No goals provided

**Department of Public Works & Water**

- Street safety is a priority (will use more salt than sand)
- Hold meetings in Butterick to make more assessable to public
- Water supply exploration
- Work to maintain sports fields
- Assist with town center revitalization

**Planning Board**

- The Planning Board Chairman, refused to allow representation of that Board, at the All Boards meeting. Therefore, no goals were provided.

**Economic Development Committee**

- Update zoning use tables
- Investigate establishment of business incubator opportunity
- Prepare and distribute "Why Sterling" brochure
- Town center revitalization
- Assist with Master Plan

### **Board of Health**

- Septic system between the 1835 Town Hall and the Fire Station
- Debate mosquito control options
- Establish collection bin regulations
- Updates and minute posting to BOH home page on website
- Consider non-toxic alternatives to anticoagulant rodenticides

### **Conservation Commission**

- No goals provided

### **Forest**

- No goals provided

### **Earth Removal Bylaw Committee**

- Create a new Earth Removal Bylaw to be presented to voters at Annual Town Meeting

### **Zoning Board of Appeals**

- Work on amendments that will support the Economic development

### **Master Plan**

- Continue to research and apply for funding to assist in writing the Master Plan
- Prepare a guide to assist sub-committees when gathering data and information
- Solicit input from boards, committees and the public
- Continue to publicize the progress of the Master Plan Committee

### **Recreation Commission**

- Recreational field space
- New facility

### **Library**

- Work with Senior center to provide programming to seniors and general population
- Increase educational, cultural and entertaining programing
- Establish options for program space
- Updates to interior
- Long term... replace aging elevator

### **Council on Aging**

- Continue to offer programming that is inclusive and meets the needs of our population
- Provide outreach services to meet their mission
- Increase the awareness of the services provided by the Senior Center

### **Cultural Council**

- Initiate Town programs and events
- Determine disbursement of grant funding

### **Animal Control**

- No goals provided

### **1835 Town Hall Committee**

- Complete interior renovations

- Septic system
- Sprinkler system installation
- Determine building usage

### **Open Space Implementation Committee**

- Forward minutes to interested committees
- Establish, maintain trails and increase public awareness of trail availability
- Establish handicapped accessible trails
- Keep rural character of Town

### **Agricultural Commission**

- No goals provided

### **Historical Commission**

- No goals provided

### **Energy Committee**

No goals provided

### **Fair Committee**

- Find new "Home" location
- Seek volunteers to head sub-committees
- Continue to offer free admission and parking

### **IT Committee**

- Fiber connection implementation
- Increase security

### **Cable TV Advisory Board**

- No goals provided

### **Town Administrator**

- Update personnel policies
- Town Center revitalization
- New roof for Butterick Building
- Sprinkler system for 1835 Town Hall
- Budget and Town Meeting

Adjourn

At 8:37 pm, Selectwoman Sonnenberg moved to adjourn. Selectman Cranson 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion carried.