



## TOWN OF GREAT BARRINGTON MASSACHUSETTS

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May 12, 2021 Regular Selectboard Meeting via Zoom

### 1. CALL TO ORDER SELECTBOARD REGULAR MEETING

Chairman Bannon opened the meeting at 6:00 pm, those “present” via zoom: Ed Abrahams, Leigh Davis, Eric Gabriel, Garfield Reed, and Town Manager, Mark Pruhenski.

### 2. SELECTBOARD’S ANNOUNCEMENTS/STATEMENTS

- a. Garfield Reed stated that he was very pleased to be part of the selectboard, and looks forward to making a difference.
- b. Eric Gabriel stated that he was also excited to be on the Selectboard, and is ready to help the Town of Great Barrington.
- c. Leigh Davis, Ed Abrahams, and Stephen Bannon welcomed the new members and congratulated them.
- d. S. Bannon thanked Kate Burke for her 3 years of service on the Selectboard.

### 3. TOWN MANAGER’S REPORT

### 4. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Board Reorganization

E. Abrahams made a motion to appoint Stephen Bannon as Chairman of the Selectboard; L. Davis seconded; Roll Call Vote; E. Abrahams, “aye”; S. Bannon, “aye”; E. Gabriel, “aye”; G. Reed, “aye”; and L. Davis, “aye”; All in Favor, 5-0.

G. Reed made a motion to appoint Leigh Davis as Vice Chairman of the Selectboard; E. Gabriel seconded; Roll Call Vote; E. Abrahams, “aye”; S. Bannon, “aye”; E. Gabriel, “aye”; G. Reed, “aye”; and L. Davis, “aye”; All in Favor, 5-0.

### 5. CITIZEN SPEAK TIME

- a. Nan Wile asked if recordings of town meetings could be made available on the Town’s website. M. Pruhenski answered that he will look into that.
- b. Michelle Loubert stated that the condition of the steps at the Town Hall is very poor and that they need to be fixed.

- c. Sharon Gregory asked if citizens petitions could be listed at the top of the annual meeting agenda and asked when the agenda order will be available.
    - i. M. Pruhenski explained that the agenda order is decided upon by Michael Wise.
  - d. Trevor Fobres congratulated the new selectboard members.
6. SELECTBOARD'S TIME
- a. L. Davis asked if a in-person/video hybrid version of the meeting would be possible once the government opened back up.
    - i. S. Bannon explained that it is possible, but that would be decided by government officials.
7. MEDIA TIME
8. ADJOURNMENT Chairman Bannon adjourned meeting by unanimous consent at 6:21 p.m.

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Brooke M. Morehouse*  
*Recording Clerk*