

BOARD OF SELECTMEN – July 29, 2015 – Special Meeting

MINUTES:

Meeting called to order at 9:15 AM. Present were First Selectman Donald Stein and Selectmen Ray Pech and Mark Hemenway.

DELEGATIONS: No delegations were present.

MOTION: A motion was made by Mark Hemenway, seconded by Ray Pech, and passed unanimously to approve the minutes of the June 23, 2015 Special Meeting.

MOTION: A motion was made by Ray Pech, seconded by Mark Hemenway, and passed unanimously to approve the following tax credits and refunds:

\$ 420.27	Duralite, Inc.	credit
\$ 31.45	Dean or Bonnie Reynolds	refund
\$ 41.58	James M. Gilbert	credit

DISCUSSION: The Selectmen reviewed the expenditures for FY 2014/2015 through the end of the 2014/2015 Fiscal Year. Once appropriate funds have been applied from grants (Revenue Sharing, Town Aid Road (TAR), and Local Capital Improvement Program (LOCIP)), there will be a small positive surplus of expenditures compared to budget. It is also expected that the fiscal year ended with a significant surplus in revenues, which is very positive for the Town. At the August meeting of the BOS, the final figures will be reviewed and necessary transfers approved for referral to the Board of Finance at their August meeting. No figures were available for the start of FY2015/16 – the first month’s data will also be reviewed at the August meeting.

MOTION: A motion was made by Ray Pech, seconded by Mark Hemenway, and passed unanimously to authorize the First Selectman to sign a renewal contract with the State of Connecticut for the services of the Resident State Trooper. This authorization assumes that the contract review by the Town Attorney does not show any major issues that would be problematic for the Town.

DISCUSSION: Don Stein informed the Selectmen that there has been a request made by several residents that the Town take action to control the littering that is too common in Town. CCM has provided several examples of littering ordinances from other towns, the simplest of which came from Cromwell. The Town Attorney will review this ordinance and recommend any appropriate changes and the Board will considering passing an ordinance and referring it to a Town Meeting for final action.

MOTION: A motion was made by Ray Pech, seconded by Mark Hemenway, and passed unanimously to authorize submission of the zone adoption application under the Housing for Economic Growth program referenced in Section 8-13(m-x) of CGS; and to identify Donald S. Stein as the individual authorized to sign the zone adoption application and administer the project.

DISCUSSION: Don Stein informed the Selectmen that the revision to the Town's Plan of Conservation and Development will be starting in August and will use the services of a UCONN Graduate Student intern to coordinate and plan the document. The Plan is due to be completed in 2017. The last revision utilized subcommittees focused on specific aspects when it was revised in 2005/2006. Mark Hemenway indicated that he would be interested in working on this project, as did Ray Pech. Don Stein and Christina Lavieri (PZC Chair) will be mapping out a strategy for organizing the Plan development and will provide more details when available.

DISCUSSION: Don Stein reported that new stop signs were installed at the intersection of Routes 179 and 219, but that the CONNDOT did not do a good job of notifying the public of this change. The Resident Trooper and other State policemen have been monitoring the situation and the Town has requested assistance from DOT to make the new signage safer and more noticeable.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 AM, on a motion by Mark Hemenway, seconded by Ray Pech.

Respectfully submitted,

Donald S. Stein
First Selectman

Upcoming meetings: the scheduled BOS meetings for August 11th and August 25th will be canceled. A Special Meeting will be held at 1:00PM on August 24th.

The Board of Finance will hold their August meeting on August 25th at 7:00PM.