

**VOLUNTOWN SELECTMEN'S MEETING**  
**March 27, 2018**

**Regular Meeting**            The Regular Meeting of the Board of Selectmen was held on Tuesday, March 27, 2018 at the Voluntown Town Hall. Ms. Hanson, First Selectman, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**Selectmen Present**        Tracey Hanson, Ronald Millovitsch, Mark Oulton

**Town Officials**            None

**Citizens Present**         David and Lauren Blanchette

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Approval of Minutes**

**Motion**                    A motion was made by (Ronald Millovitsch/Mark Oulton) to approve the minutes of the Executive meeting held on February 15, 2018. Motion Approved.

                                  A motion was made by (Ronald Millovitsch/Mark Oulton) to approve the minutes of the Public Hearing held on February 27, 2018. Motion Approved.

                                  A motion was made by (Ronald Millovitsch/Mark Oulton) to approve the minutes of the meeting held on February 27, 2018 with one change. Under the line for Peter Zvingilas change the word form to from. Motion Approved.

                                  A motion was made by (Ronald Millovitsch/Mark Oulton) to approve the minutes of the Special meeting held on March 8, 2018. Motion Approved.

**Citizens Comments**      None

**Correspondence  
& Announcements**

**James Eppinger**            Mr. Eppinger sent an email to Ms. Hanson discussing the traffic on Denison Hill Rd.

**CCM**                         CCM sent a draft of their written exceptions to PURA's draft decision released on March 6, 2018.

**Chris Murphy**             Senator Murphy's office sent an invitation to a panel discussion on transportation issues in Southeastern CT to be held on April 3, 2018 from 2:00pm-3:15pm at the Lyman Allyn Art Museum.

**ECCD**                        Eastern Connecticut Conservation District is partnering with the Boy Scouts of America to implement programs that will help improve water quality in eastern CT's ponds, lake and streams.

**DHS**                         A Save a Life Bleeding Control Basic Course and Active Shooter Awareness is being held at the US Coast Guard Academy on March 31, 2018 from 3:00pm – 5:00pm.

**Reason to Ride**            A Reason to Ride sent in a request for a permit for their annual Flag Day Run on Sunday June 10, 2018.

**Ryan Hargraves**            Mr. Hargraves sent a follow-up email to Ms. Hanson about issues concerning procedures at the last Town Meeting from the registrar's office.

- P&Z The Planning and Zoning Commission is recommending to the Board of Selectmen per the 8-24 review to move forward with the Voluntown Housing Authority Phase 2 project.
- DEEP DEEP sent out a copy of the Statewide Drainage System Maintenance Plan to all municipal CEO's and Corps of Engineers.
- DRS The Department of Revenue Services sent out the 2018 Neighborhood Assistance Act Program Proposal application for distribution to interested organizations.
- Eversource Eversource submitted their Superfund Amendment and Reauthorization Act for Energy locations within the town.
- CFEC The Community Foundation of Eastern Connecticut presented their summary report on the status of Women and Girls in Eastern CT.
- Ms. Luciano Ms. Luciano sent in a letter thanking the Selectmen for considering her for the position of Tax Assessor.
- OPM The Office of Policy and Management certified their receipt of the Grand List for the Town of Voluntown.
- CERC The CT Economic Resource Center sent a flyer pertaining to concerns with the state budget cuts and lack of growth in town's grand lists.
- ECCD Ms. Hanson received a publication issued by the Eastern Connecticut Conservation District.
- BlumShapiro BlumShapiro sent an invitation for Elected Officials for their Event to be held on April 4, 2018 at 10:00am.
- MVC The Mesothelioma Veterans Center asked if the Town would like the town to add a link to their website on the Town Webpage.
- JCLL The Jewett City Little League sent an invite to the First Selectman to participate in their Annual Opening Day Parade on April 22, 2018.

**Old Business – Discussion**

- IT Update Mr. Oulton addressed the issue with the Building Inspector's email. He is also working on receiving quotes for the Town Clerk's office NewVision system and for a new phone system for the Town Hall. He is hoping to have all the quotes by the end of April so the Selectmen can make a decision.
- Motion – Tax Assessor A motion was made by (R. Millovitsch/M. Oulton) to appoint Jody Heon as the new Tax Assessor for Voluntown. Motion Approved.
- Methodist Church Mr. Farmer sent an email requesting that the town have a lawyer address the issue of access to the Methodist Meetinghouse Church before the RFP is posted. Ms. Hanson has sent this on to the Town Lawyer.
- Mr. Farmer also requested that the Town spray inside the Meeting house any mold spots with a borax solution.
- Budget Update Ms. Hanson sent testimony to the Appropriations Committee, Commerce Committee, Finance Committee, Revenue and Bonding Committee and the Planning and Development Committee in support of the State Commission on Fiscal Stability and Economic Growth's recommendation that the State pay higher PILOT payments to Municipalities.
- Ms. Hanson has received the Board of Education's budget for Fiscal year 2018-2019. She is hoping to have the Town budget approved at the next Selectman's meeting and have the Public

Hearing tentatively on April 24, 2018 at the town hall with the Selectman's meeting immediately following.

**New Business – Action Items**

- Tree Warden Appt. A motion was made by (R. Millovitsch/M. Oulton) to appoint Joe Theroux as the new Tree Warden for the town. Motion Approved.
- ZBA Appt. Ms. Hanson is still working on an appointment for the ZBA.
- Driveway Permit A motion was made by (R. Millovitsch/M. Oulton) to approve the driveway permit for 346 Shetucket Turnpike. Motion Approved.
- Day of Prayer Ms. Hanson read the resolution for the National Day of Prayer to be held on May 3, 2018.
- Motion A motion was made (R. Millovitsch/M. Oulton) to approve the National Day of Prayer Resolution. Motion Approved. A copy of the Resolution is appended to these minutes.
- Housing Resolution Ms. Hanson read a resolution to endorse the Fair Housing Policy.
- Motion A motion was made (Ronald Millovitsch/Mark Oulton) to approve the Fair Housing Resolution for the Voluntown Housing Authority. Motion Approved. A copy of the Resolution is appended to these minutes.
- Finn Beach The Selectmen agreed to keep the fees for Finn Beach the same as last year.
- Tax Refunds A motion was made (Ronald Millovitsch/Mark Oulton) to approve tax refunds to the following: Hartikka Family Nominee Trust, Thomas McGuire, Megan & Zachery Wicks, Mason Martini, Christopher & Dawn Witman, Henry H Coogan, Pamela & Gilbert Schnepf, Robert Ricciardello, Dorothy Ford-King, Eastern Savings Bank, Rodney McClaren, Enterprise FM Trust, John Henderson Construction LLC, Dennis Johnson, James Murphy Jr., Karen Sadowski, Keifers Kettle Korn LLC, Elyse Lagace, Celeste & Patrick Santons-Rivera, Katherine Thorpe, Thomas Lee, Scott & Joan Harris, Colette Bernier, Prog Leasing LLC and Marianne Habershaw. Motion Approved.

**New Business – Discussion**


- Social Media Policy Ms. Hanson presented a draft Social Media Policy for the Town to adopt and asked the Selectmen to review for approval at the next Selectmen's meeting.
- Wylie Bridge Repairs The Town received \$20,250.00 from Allstate from an accident to the Wylie Bridge. The Town is working on a bid to have the bridge repaired.

**Suggestions for Next Meeting – None**

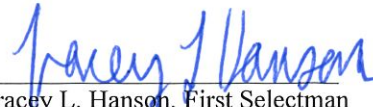
**Adjournment**

- Motion** A motion was made by (Ronald Millovitsch/Mark Oulton) to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 7:42p.m. Motion Approved.

Respectfully submitted by:

  
Julie L. Zelinsky, Admin. Asst. to the BOS

Approved for distribution by:

  
Tracey L. Hanson, First Selectman