VOLUNTOWN SELECTMEN’S MEETING
April 24, 2018

Regular Meeting
The Regular Meeting of the Board of Selectmen was held on Tuesday, April 24, 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
Steve Mikutel, Tom Witzel

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes

Motion
A motion was made by (Ronald Millovitsch/Mark Oulton) to approve the minutes of the meeting held on April 10, 2018. Motion Approved.

Citizens Comments
None

Correspondence & Announcements

DESP
The town of Voluntown will designate American Ambulance as their Coordinated Medical Emergency Direction Designation and receive the credit of $769.50 from the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection.

FOI
The Connecticut Freedom of Information Commission is having their Freedom of Information Commission Annual Conference on April 27, 2018 from 8am to 2pm at The Riverhouse at Godspeed Station.

ADP
ADP is now offering paperless paystubs for Town Employees.

Millstone
Dominion Energy sent an invitation to an informational session on the Millstone Power Station for Wednesday May 30, 2018 beginning at 5:30pm at Filomena’s in Waterford.

P&Z
Planning and Zoning submitted a letter to the Board of Selectmen approving the 8-24 review for the Voluntown Housing Authority application.

CultureSECT.org
The Southeastern CT Cultural Coalition sent their 2017 Annual Report.

BOA
The Boy Scouts of America sent an invitation to their 2018 Outstanding Leadership Award reception on Tuesday May 15, 2018 at The Norwich Inn at 6pm.

Boy Scouts
John Wrana sent an Invitation to the Selectmen to attend his Eagle Ceremony on Saturday May 19, 2018 at 4:00pm at the Voluntown Baptist Church.

Unity
The National Day of Prayer Committee sent an invitation to the Selectmen to attend the National Day of Prayer at the Town Hall Gazebo on May 3, 2018 at 5:30pm.

CT Water
The Selectmen received the spring 2018 Newsletter from Connecticut Water. There will be a Public Comment Hearing on April 30, 2018 at 10am or 6pm at the Clinton Town Hall.

Denison Hill
Ms. Hanson received an email from Mr. Eppinger pertaining to vehicles in the State Forest. The CT State EnCon Police responded that anyone should call the local police or the 24 hour EnCon Police dispatch center if there is a need for an urgent response.
Old Business – Discussion

2018-2019 Budget

The Selectmen are waiting to hear from the State regarding the ECS funding before approving their 2018-2019 Budget. Per the Governor’s proposal the Town will lose $98,897.00 in ECS funding. The Democratic and the Republican proposals both increase the Town’s ECS funding by $117,945.00.

The Public Hearing for the Town Budget is tentatively scheduled for May 15th, 2018 and the Annual Town Budget Meeting for June 5, 2018.

There will be a Special Selectman’s Meeting on May 15th, 2018 to read the call for the next Town Meeting. There will be a Town meeting on May 22nd to appropriate the rest of the funding for the Volunteer Garage which will adjourn to a referendum on May 29th.

IT Update

Mr. Oulton is still waiting to hear back from Apex about the new phone system and the Town Clerk’s computer system from New Vision.

Old Business – Action Items

Social Media Policy

The Town will implement their new Social Media Policy as of June 1, 2018 in order to give the employees time to read the policy and sign the acknowledgement forms.

New Business – Action Items

Driveway Permit

A motion was made by Ron Millovitsch/Mark Oulton to approve the driveway permit for Thomas Witzel, 142 Bennet Rd. Motion Approved.

New Business – Discussion

Fiscal Policies

Ms. Hanson is working on creating a Town Fiscal policy based on state statutes which would give the Selectmen guidelines on what the Town should keep the unassigned fund at. This policy would set the unassigned fund to remain at a certain percentage. Any money over that would dictate how the Selectmen could use it. It could be used to finance the Town’s Capital projects first and then used to offset any tax increase for the following fiscal year.

Suggestions for Next Meeting – None

Adjournment

Motion

A motion was made by (Ronald Millovitsch/Mark Oulton) to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m. Motion Approved.

Respectfully submitted by:  
Approved for distribution by:

Julie L. Zelinsky, Admin. Asst to the BOS  
Tracey L. Hanson, First Selectman