

**VOLUNTOWN SELECTMEN'S MEETING**  
**June 26, 2018**

**Regular Meeting** The Regular Meeting of the Board of Selectmen was held on Tuesday June 26, 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** Winona Berdine, Jen Panko, Jack Wesa, Karen Britt, Rachel Ricard

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Approval of Minutes**

**Motion** A motion was made by R. Millovitsch/M. Oulton to approve the minutes of the meeting held on June 12, 2018. Motion Approved.

**Citizens Comments**

Jack Wesa The Farmer's Market starts July 1, 2018 at the Voluntown Elementary School from 10am-1pm.

Jen Panko There are safety issues with the weeds growing into the road. The road crew will be trimming these shortly. If there are any specific issues Ms. Hanson stated you should call the Selectman's office to report it and it will be taken care of.

**Board/Committee Reports**

Wylie School Committee The Wylie School House Renovation committee did a presentation stating their top three priorities in repairing the school house. The top three on their priority list are the safety issue on repairing the wiring, the wood work repair and repainting the school house.

**Correspondence & Announcements**

Debra Guntner Ms. Hanson received information on how to sign up for access to the website for free stuff from the State of CT.

CT Siting Council The Connecticut Siting council sent a letter stating they are in receipt of a request to update the existing telecommunications facility located at 497 Ekonk Hill Road.

Scoping Meeting Ms. Hanson sent in the following documents to be included in the scoping process for the proposed State Police Facility Training Facility: The Trail Map for the Pachaug State Forest compiled by the Economic Development Commission, a pdf image showing how close the site is to outdoor recreation areas in Voluntown including Frog Hollow and the CCC Youth Camping area, a copy of the Voluntown Sound Ordinance, a copy of Ms. Hanson's testimony presented at the scoping meeting held on June 5, 2018 and a follow up to the sound test on June 13, 2018.

Basset Mill Ms. Hanson sent an email in response to a verbal request for information regarding the dirt that was left on Basset Mill Road.

Bob Panko Mr. Panko sent an email requesting a description of what occurred at the sound test held for the State Police Training Facility on June 13, 2018.

Debra Guntner Ms. Guntner sent an email requesting information regarding the name of the contractors who were awarded the bids for the Town Hall Roof and the Public Works Garage as well as any subcontractors.

Brown & Brown Brown & Brown submitted the updated insurance policy for the Town for fiscal year 2018-2019.

## Financial Reports

- Appropriations The Selectmen signed the transfers and appropriations made at the recent Town Meetings. Ms. Hanson signed the request for the LoCIP money to be used towards the New Town garage. Mr. Oulton asked when the Steap Grants for the state will be open. We have Community Consultants working on preparing that for the Town.
- Financial Policy Ms. Hanson presented the first reading of a Town Financial Policy requesting the Selectman to review and be ready to vote on it for the next meeting. This policy is based on State Statutes.

## Old Business – Discussion

- Pavilion Project The Recreation Commission has completed the Pavilion Project behind the Town Hall. The Selectman want to recognize all the hard work and volunteer hours that the commission has put in to complete the project.
- IT/Phone System Mr. Oulton gave an update on the IT. The Town Hall now has WiFi. The new phone system has been ordered, 4 new computers and the upgrades to Windows 10 and Outlook 365 have been ordered. With the new phone system the town will be able to hold conference calls in the Town Meeting Room. Commission/Board members will be able to call in if they cannot attend the meeting in person.
- Mr. Oulton’s idea of a Cloud based server would be too expensive for the town so he is looking into other options. He is still working on quotes to host the land records and NewVision.
- Pipe/Sink hole Mr. Oulton will work with the Public Works to fix the sink hole and pipe between the Town Hall and the Library. First they need to run a conduit between the two for the wires currently in the pipes and then seal off the current pipe. This will help with the water situation in the basements of the library and the Town Hall.
- Public Works Ms. Hanson is working on signing the contract with D/E/F Services Group for the new garage. The contract is currently at the lawyer and once approved it will be signed by both parties.

## New Business – Discussion

- Special Events Ordinance Ms. Hanson has been asked by Planning and Zoning and the Fire Marshal to look into creating a Special Events Ordinance for large events for the town mainly for safety reasons. Ms. Hanson found an ordinance from the Town of Goshen. She has sent it on to the Fire Marshal, EDC and P&Z for their input to see if it covers everything the town needs.
- Church Street Sign The planter in the center of town has been hit three times. The Board discussed adding a sign not allowing tractor trailers on the road or a no right turn sign. They also discussed adding a Bollard which is a metal pole filled with concrete. Ms. Hanson said they would need to talk to the state about that since it would be close to the state road. They would need to discuss the liability issue as to the site lines.

## Executive Session

- Discussion The Selectmen went into Executive Session to discuss the current Union Contract and Employee Evaluations at 8:15pm.
- The Board came out of Executive Session at 8:37pm. No votes were taken at this time.

**Suggestions for Next Meeting** – Employee evaluation policy.

## Adjournment

- Motion** A motion was made by (Ronald Millovitsch/Mark Oulton) to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 8:37p.m. Motion Approved.

Respectfully submitted by:

Approved for distribution by:

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

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Tracey L. Hanson, First Selectman