

VOLUNTOWN SELECTMEN'S MEETING
July 10, 2018

Regular Meeting	The Regular Meeting of the Board of Selectmen was held on Tuesday July 10, 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	Denise Poyer, Jen Panko, Maryanne Nieminen, Sean Henry
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 26, 2018. Motion Approved.
Citizens Comments Jen Panko	Ms. Panko wanted to know who is responsible for the signage on Brown Road. There is no posted speed limit sign and she felt it might help slow people down if there was a sign.
Guest Speaker	Denise Poyer from the Wood-Pawcatuck Wild and Scenic Study Committee spoke to the Selectmen about passing a resolution supporting the National Wild and Scenic Rivers designation of the seven rivers in the Wood-Pawcatuck Watershed and endorse the Stewardship Plan.
Motion	Ms. Hanson read the resolution. A motion was made by R. Millovitsch/M. Oulton to pass the resolution supporting the designation of the Seven Rivers of the Wood-Pawcatuck Watershed. Motion Approved. The resolution is appended to the minutes.
Board/Committee Reports	
WSHRC	The Wylie School House Renovation committee gave their report on where they are at. Kevin Shultz will be checking the wiring on Saturday. They would like to recommend the quote received from Joseph Escher to get started on the woodwork that needs repairing.
Maryanne Nieminen	Ms. Nieminen asked why the Voluntown Historical Society would need their own insurance. Ms. Hanson stated that it was in the best interest for the Society. The insurance is to protect their members if anything happens at one of their events. The Society would be responsible since they are their own nonprofit organization.
Correspondence & Announcements	
NECCOG	NECCOG Animal Control sent a report to the town listing all the calls received for the month of May.
DOT	DOT sent an email stating that the signage project for the Town was finished would like the Town to sign off on the project.
CCM	CCM is holding a grant writing class on August 1, 2018 from 9am to 12pm at the Canterbury Town Hall.
CLA	CLA put together the draft for the Bid to fix the Wylie School Bridge. It will be put out to bid tomorrow and bids will be open on August 6 st at 10am at the Town Hall.
Press Conference	Ms. Hanson attended a press conference for Ned Lamont who is running for Governor. He has agreed to oppose the location of the State Police Training Facility in Griswold. Ms. Hanson had the opportunity to discuss the issues Voluntown has been facing due to cuts in our funding.

Motion A motion was made by R. Millovitsch/M. Oulton to add the appointment to the Recreation Commission to the agenda. Motion approved.

A motion was made by R. Millovitsch to appoint Kristin Pellenin to the Voluntown Recreation Commission. Motion approved.

Financial Reports

Budget 17-18 To date the town is under budget by 48,800.00 for the fiscal year 2017-2018.

The town sold \$3,480.00 for passes to Finn Beach last year. Expenses were \$8,700.00. Total cost for security for Finn Beach came to approximately \$5,220.00. As of this year the town has already sold \$3,390.00 so we are on track to sell as much if not more passes than last year.

Ms. Hanson spoke to the insurance company about making sure the playground equipment and the basketball court was covered on the insurance policy. The cost to add this is \$200 per year. The Board agreed to add this to the insurance policy.

The Board agreed to send the Financial Policy to the lawyer for approval.

Old Business – Discussion

IT Update The new phone system should be scheduled to be installed within a week. Mr. Oulton is still waiting on quotes to find out who will host the land records system. We have received the new contract from Apex. The cost will remain the same this year and increase by \$100.00 a month the following year. The Board agreed that Ms. Hanson should sign the contract. The assessor's office received a quote for upgrades for the Computer Assisted Mass Appraisal software conversion. The tax assessor recommended the quote from eQuality. This quote is \$5,000 less than our current provider. The Board agreed with the recommendation of the assessor to switch to eQaulity.

Public Works Garage Ms. Hanson had a preconstruction meeting with D/E/F Services, CLA engineering, the Architect for the project and Community Consultants. The Pre-fabricated steel building will take approximately 16 to 20 weeks on order due to a shortage in steel. Because of this they will not break ground on the project until September. The town will need to hire an independent consultant to do testing once construction begins.

Congdon Road Drainage The Board is still working on the drainage issue on Congdon Road.

Old Business-Action Items

Employee Evaluation A motion was made by R. Millovitsch/M. Oulton to approve the forms for the employee evaluations. Motion Approved.

New Business – Discussion

Suggestions for Next Meeting – Cemetery Maintenance

Adjournment

Motion A motion was made by (Ronald Millovitsch/Mark Oulton) to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 8:02p.m. Motion Approved.

Respectfully submitted by:

Approved for distribution by:

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

Tracey L. Hanson, First Selectman