

VOLUNTOWN SELECTMEN'S MEETING
Regular Meeting held on May 26, 2015

Regular Meeting	The Regular Meeting of the Board of Selectmen was held on Tuesday, May 26, 2015 at the Voluntown Town Hall. Mr. Sirpenski, First Selectman, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.
Selectmen Present	Robert A. Sirpenski, Tracey L. Hanson, Ronald J. Millovitsch,
Town Officials	Maria Morell, Tax Collector
Citizens Present	Lloyd and Tammy VanLanen; Sandra Pellinen; Catherine Rubin; Marc Pelletier; Audience of Citizens
Approval of Minutes	
Motion	A motion was made (Ronald Millovitsch/Tracey Hanson) to approve the minutes of the meeting held on May 12, 2015 as submitted. Unanimously voted.
Motion	A motion was made (Tracey Hanson/Ronald Millovitsch) to make Correspondence & Announcements the last item on the agenda. Unanimously voted.
Citizens Comments	Ms. VanLanen, Treasurer of the Recreation Commission, spoke to the BOS about the funds remaining in the account set up for the Basketball Court Project, and the possibility of using them for other projects. The account was set up for fundraising and donations for the project. Mr. Pelletier suggested changing the name of the account to "Recreation Field Improvements". Mr. Sirpenski said he will speak to the Town's auditor about how to proceed.
Old Business	
Library	Mr. Sirpenski reviewed the list of questions/concerns Ms. Pellinen submitted at the last BOS Meeting, these included the termite problem as well as who held responsibility for the building. Mr. Sirpenski reviewed the process, which would be used by any Commission or Board that received Town funds. He noted that operational issues, such as the termites, would be taken care of through the budget allotment. He stated that funds could be transferred once a year from other accounts if necessary, but this was not encouraged. If the project was too large for a transfer, it would become a "Capital Project" and be brought to the Town for approval. He suggested having the BI/ZEO Officer inspect the building and advise them on any updates/repairs that are needed.
Constitution Field Stair Project	Mr. VanLanen noted that the stairway project was discussed at the last BOE Meeting, which Mr. VanLanen and Mr. Sirpenski attended, and that Supt. Burrows feels it is a Town project. Mr. Sirpenski noted that he agreed and asked the Recreation Commission to continue working on the project. A discussion took place regarding applying for grant funds and the possibility of establishing an account for the project. Mr. Sirpenski thanked the Commission for an excellent job and will address the question with the auditor.
Diesel Tank	Mr. Sirpenski noted that the diesel tank is ready for use.
STEAP Grant Town Garage	The project is ready to start as soon as the signed agreements are received from the State.
Solar Panel Project	Mr. Sirpenski attended the P&Z Meeting regarding a lot line adjustment. He noted that ENCON is redoing the lease to include the changes and that a Public Hearing and Town Meeting will need to be held to approve the lot line adjustment.
Nutmeg Network Grant	The Town received a Grant Award notice that will be signed and returned to the Office of Policy & Management. The grant in the amount of \$21,300 will be used for fiber optic upgrades to the Town Hall system. Mr. Sirpenski thanked Selectman Hanson for her work on the project.
Driveway Permit Paradis – Motion	A motion was made (Ronald Millovitsch/Tracey Hanson) to approve the completion of a driveway owned by Raymond and Tammy Paradis on Lillibridge Ave. Unanimously voted.

New Business

Restrictive Covenant STEAP – Motion
Town Garage
A motion was made (Tracey Hanson/Ronald Millovitsch) to approve a “Declaration of Restrictive Covenant” with the State DECD agreeing not, without the express prior written consent of the State, to use the property located at 96 Gate St., in any manner inconsistent with the purposes set forth in the Assistance Agreement. Unanimously voted.

Town Meeting Call
Town Budget Meeting
Motion
A motion was made (Ronald Millovitsch/Tracey Hanson) to approve the Town Meeting Call for the annual Town Budget Meeting. Unanimously voted. A copy of the Meeting Call is appended to these minutes.

Tax Refunds
Motion
A motion was made (Ronald Millovitsch/Tracey Hanson) to approve tax refunds to Dorothy Ford King and Anthony Nigro. Unanimously voted.

**Correspondence
& Announcements**

School Roof Project
Mr. Sirpenski noted that the State requested proof that the Town had sufficient funds to cover the project and he sent them a copy of the Town Meeting Call as well as the auditor’s report showing the balances in the General and non-recurring funds.

42 Bailey Pond Rd.
Ms. Morell, Tax Collector, informed the BOS that the Town is now the owner of property located at 42 Bailey Pond Road. The Town will now have to pay approximately \$4,200 in court costs, but the property is valued at over \$50,000.

Adjournment

Motion
A motion was made (Ronald Millovitsch/Tracey Hanson) to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 7:57 p.m. Motion Approved.

Respectfully submitted by:

Approved for distribution by:

Roxanne Gray, Admin. Asst. to the BOS

Robert A. Sirpenski, Selectman