

VOLUNTOWN SELECTMEN'S MEETING
Regular Meeting held on December 17, 2013

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| Regular Meeting | The Regular Meeting of the Board of Selectmen was held on Tuesday, December 17, 2013, at the Voluntown Town Hall. Mr. Sirpenski, First Selectman, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. |
| Selectmen Present | Robert A. Sirpenski, Ronald J. Millovitsch, Tracey L. Hanson |
| Town Officials | None |
| Citizens Present | Audience of Citizens |
| Approval of Minutes | |
| Motion | A motion was made (Ronald Millovitsch, Tracey Hanson) to approve the minutes of the meeting held on December 3, 2013 as submitted. Unanimously voted. |
| Motion | A motion was made (Tracey Hanson, Ronald Millovitsch) to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting held on December 11, 2013 with the following change: First paragraph, line 3, should read 6:30 p.m. Unanimously voted. |
| Citizens Comments | None |
| Old Business | |
| Laurence E. Wagner L. Wagner & Associates | Mr. Wagner thanked the Board for accepting his proposal to provide professional and technical services for the Small Cities CDBG project at the Town's Housing Authority (Greenwood Manor). Mr. Wagner noted that this is the first "Small Cities" grant the Town and Housing Authority has received and he looks forward to the planned upgrades. |
| Methodist Church Update | Mr. Sirpenski noted that Mr. Blanchette hand delivered a list of his concerns to his attorney in order to speed up the resolution of the repairs to the church. Mr. Sirpenski stated that he spoke to Tim Pahl of Heritage Building and Design, the company who will be making the safety repairs, and they are aware that the repairs cannot be made until the legal issues have been resolved. Mr. Sirpenski noted that he wants to expedite a referendum to determine the ultimate outcome for the building. |
| Appointments Motion | Mr. Sirpenski stated that the Tax Collector, Town Treasurer and Assessor have all indicated they want to be reappointed. After review, a motion was made (Ronald Millovitsch, Tracey Hanson) to approve agreement letters to be returned to the BOS by December 27, 2013. Unanimously voted. |
| Election Workers Pay Rates | Mr. Sirpenski noted that he has information from area towns regarding the pay rates for election workers and will review and present them at the next meeting. |
| New Business | |
| Vacancy – Public Works – Motion | A discussion took place regarding a Road Worker for the Public Works Department. A motion was made (Ronald Millovitsch, Tracey Hanson) to advertise for a Road Worker in the Bulletin. Unanimously voted. |
| NECCOG Motion | A discussion took place regarding a change from the Southeastern Connecticut Council of Governments (SECCOG) to the Northeastern Connecticut Council of Governments (NECCOG). The BOS agreed that the Town has many of the same issues as the towns in NECCOG, while SECCOG has many larger and shoreline towns. In addition, the Town's Animal Control Services are provided by NECCOG and the Transfer Station is run jointly with Sterling, a member of NECCOG. A motion was made (Ronald Millovitsch, Tracey Hanson) to approve a Resolution to be sent to the Office of Policy and Management requesting the Town be allowed to make this change. Unanimously voted. A copy of the Resolution is appended to these minutes. |

Any Other Business

- Holiday Closing The BOS agreed to close the Town Hall at 2:00 p.m. on Christmas Eve.
- 2014 Meeting
Schedule - Motion A motion was made (Ronald Millovitsch, Tracey Hanson) to change the BOS Meetings to the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month. Unanimously voted.
- Appt. – P&Z
Motion A motion was made (Ronald Millovitsch, Tracey Hanson) to renew the appointment of David Nieminen as a full member of the Planning and Zoning Commission. Unanimously voted.
- STEAP Grant Mr. Sirpenski stated that he spoke to Peter Huckins of Community Consulting and the Town has approximately \$35,000 left in the Town Garage/Bus Parking grant. Mr. Huckins is working with the State on extending the deadline for the use of the remaining funds.
- Snow Storm Mr. Sirpenski noted that the Public Works Department did an excellent job clearing roads and sanding during the recent storm.
- Adjournment**
- Motion A motion was made (Ronald Millovitsch, Tracey Hanson) to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m. Unanimously voted.

Respectfully submitted by:

Approved for distribution by:

Roxanne Gray, Admin. Asst. to the BOS

Robert A. Sirpenski, Selectman