

VOLUNTOWN SELECTMEN'S MEETING
Regular Meeting held on April 2, 2013

Regular Meeting	The Regular Meeting of the Board of Selectmen was held on Tuesday, April 2, 2013, at the Voluntown Town Hall. Mr. Millovitsch, First Selectman, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.
Selectmen Present	Ronald J. Millovitsch, Robert A. Sirpenski, Willis G. Maynard
Town Officials	Adam Burrows, Superintendent of Schools; Adam Shaughnessy, Youth Services Bureau Coordinator; Cheryl Sadowski, Town Clerk; Peter Cassidy & Michael Magario of the Recreation Commission; Richard Bernier, Town Road Foreman
Citizens Present	Members of the Voluntown Meeting House Society
Approval of Minutes Motion	A motion was made (Willis Maynard, Robert Sirpenski) to approve the minutes of the meeting held on March 19, 2013 as submitted. Unanimously voted.
Citizens Comments Methodist Church - Meeting House Society	David Hobbes, Chairman of the Society, reviewed the restoration efforts to date. He thanked the BOS for incorporating a portion of the church repairs into a STEAP Grant application. Mr. Hobbes and James Lavoie spoke about forming a non-profit (501-C3) and asked the BOS for their input. Mr. Millovitsch noted that the Town's attorney is investigating questions regarding ownership of the property as well as possible non-profit status. Mr. Millovitsch would like to clean the building out in early May and agreed the group could continue to work towards non-profit status pending a decision from the attorney.
Adam Burrows Supt. of Schools Youth Services Bureau	Superintendent Burrows introduced Adam Shaughnessy to the BOS. Mr. Shaughnessy is the new Coordinator of the Youth Services Bureau. Supt. Burrows thanked the BOS for their help with the matching funds required for the first year of the program and noted that the BOE included funding in the 2013/2014 FY budget. A copy of the most recent meeting minutes was distributed.
Education Budget	Superintendent Burrows distributed copies of the proposed Education Budget which includes a proposed 1.99% increase and noted that surrounding towns are averaging a 3.38% increase. Supt. Burrows attributed savings to energy upgrades, a change in insurance plans and fewer repairs with the newer buses. He also noted that the school is maintaining a smaller bus fleet than in previous years.
Old Business Carpet Bids	Mr. Sirpenski is speaking to the companies who submitted proposals this week.
LOCIP	Mr. Millovitsch noted that when he receives the input from the Fire Department, the Local Capital Improvement Plan will be complete.
Employment Agreement FF/EMT's	The Fire Department is reviewing the plan.
Church Street Intersection	Mr. Millovitsch stated that the project has been put on hold. The State Office of Environmental Planning which approved the project, has now been notified by the State Historic Preservation Office that an old well located in the middle of the intersection may be of historic value. The well, which is covered by a cement slab, dates prior to 1930. The BOS is waiting for further guidance from the State about how to proceed with this grant.
New Business Public Works	The job descriptions for the Public Works Department need to be upgraded. Mr. Sirpenski stated that he will work on this project.

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Proposed Budget
FY 2013-2014

The preliminary Education and Town Government budgets for FY 2013/2014 are available for review online and at the Town Hall. A Public Hearing for the Education budget will take place on April 11th at the Board of Education Meeting Room (7:00 p.m.) and for the Town Government Budget on May 7th at the Town Hall (6:30 p.m.).

Ordinances,
Town Treas.
Tax Collector
Refunds

Mr. Millovitsch noted that Suisman/Shapiro completed the proposed Ordinances for appointing the Town Treasurer and Tax Collector, as well as an Ordinance exempting the Town from making tax refunds in amounts less than five dollars. A Special BOS Meeting will be held on April, 4, 2013 to approve a Town Meeting Call.

Prayer Day - Motion
Proclamation

A motion was made (Willis Maynard, Robert Sirpenski) to approve a Proclamation which proclaims May 2, 2013 as "A Day of Prayer in Voluntown". Unanimously voted.

Any Other Business
Driveway
Brown Road

Mr. Millovitsch will meet with the landowner this weekend to review the completion of this driveway.

Chickweed
Constitution Field

A discussion took place regarding the Chickweed which has invaded the lawn at the Town Hall as well as Constitution Field. Mr. Bernier, Road Foreman, noted that this issue needs to be addressed. After further discussion between Mr. Bernier, the BOS and Recreation Commission members Michael Magario and Peter Cassidy, it was agreed that Mr. Magario will speak to Fieldworks, who supplies the spray.

Executive Session

Minutes
Motion

A motion was made (Ronald Millovitsch, Robert Sirpenski) that the members of the Board of Selectmen go into Executive Session at 7:45 p.m. pursuant to Conn. General Statutes 1-200 (6) (B) for the purpose of approving minutes of the March 19, 2013 meetings. Unanimously voted.

Executive Session

Motion

A motion was made (Robert Sirpenski, Willis Maynard) that the Board of Selectmen moves out of Executive Session at 8:00 p.m.

Motion

A motion was made (Robert Sirpenski, Willis Maynard) that the minutes of the March 19, 2013 meetings be approved. Unanimously voted.

Adjournment

Motion

A motion was made (Ronald Millovitsch, Willis Maynard) to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 8:01 p.m. Unanimously voted.

Respectfully submitted by:

Approved for distribution by:

Roxanne Gray, Admin. Asst. to the BOS

Ronald Millovitsch, Selectman