

**VOLUNTOWN SELECTMEN'S MEETING**  
**Regular Meeting held on September 3, 2013**

<b>Regular Meeting</b>	The Regular Meeting of the Board of Selectmen was held on Tuesday, September 3, 2013, at the Voluntown Town Hall. Mr. Millovitsch, First Selectman, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.
<b>Selectmen Present</b>	Ronald J. Millovitsch, Willis G. Maynard, Robert A. Sirpenski
<b>Town Officials</b>	Maria Morell, Tax Collector
<b>Citizens Present</b>	Members of the Voluntown Historical Meeting House Society; William Simpson; Audience of Citizens
<b>Approval of Minutes</b>	
Motion	A motion was made (Willis Maynard, Ronald Millovitsch) to approve the minutes of the meeting held on August 20, 2013 as submitted. Mr. Sirpenski did not attend the meeting and abstained. Motion passed.
<b>Citizens Comments</b>	
Meeting House Society	Ms. Angela Forrest, Mr. Ty Cool, Mr. Charles Bursey, Mr. Jack Wesa, Ms. Judith Allik, Mr. Robert and Ms. Janet Panko, Mr. David Larsen and audience members discussed their vision for the Old Methodist Church. They expressed the need for immediate action on the roof and the possibility of storing the steeple in a building or wrapping it in shrink wrap to protect it from the weather. Mr. Millovitsch noted his concern is that there is still the issue of not being able to gain access to one side of the building. He agreed that the BOS would work with the committee and he would help put tarps, etc. on the roof. Mr. Cool noted that he feels they are at an impasse as these same problems have been at the forefront for several years. Mr. Bursey asked if it would be possible for the BOS, the adjacent property owner and a member of the Society to meet and try to reach a common ground and Mr. Millovitsch agreed to speak to Mr. Blanchette. Mr. Sirpenski asked what the vision of the Society was for the building and Mr. Cool and others noted that they felt it would be a "centerpiece" for the Town and could serve as a museum, visitor's center and historical site. Mr. Panko noted that it would be beneficial to townspeople to have the history available for viewing instead of being held in storage. Ms. Panko noted that the church would be an addition to the town's tercentennial celebration. Mr. Sirpenski stated that a town referendum on how or if to proceed will be considered. The BOS noted that they support the group's efforts to preserve the church and will do what they can to help with grants and temporary measures to save the building.
Beachview Road	Mr. William Simpson of Beachview Road, approached the BOS to ask for a sign on Route 165 letting approaching traffic know about vehicles entering from Beachview Road. Mr. Millovitsch will contact DOT regarding a sign.
<b>Old Business</b>	
Employment Agreement FF/EMT's	The Fire Department has forwarded several recommendations to the Town Attorney and this item will be reviewed when a reply is received.
Meals-On-Wheels	Mr. Millovitsch noted that the Town needs a driver for this program. Ms. Angela Forrest stated that she might be interested in volunteering and Mr. Millovitsch referred her to Beth Taylor the Municipal Agent for the Elderly.
Veterans' Contact	The State of Connecticut has passed an act requiring cities and towns to designate a Veterans' Service Contact Person. Mr. Millovitsch noted that the Council of Governments is working on this issue to address the possibility of town's working together to provide the service.
<b>New Business</b>	
Homeland Security Motion	A motion was made (Ronald Millovitsch, Robert Sirpenski) to pass a Resolution authorizing the First Selectman to act on the Town's behalf for the Homeland Security Grants Program. Unanimously voted. A copy of the Resolution is appended to these minutes.

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Proclamation Motion A motion was made (Ronald Millovitsch, Willis Maynard) to approve a Proclamation making September 14, 2013 "AURA SEURA DAY" in Voluntown. Aura Seura is celebrating its ninetieth anniversary this year. Unanimously voted. A copy of the Proclamation is appended to these minutes.

Day Kimball Healthcare Motion A motion was made (Willis Maynard, Robert Sirpenski) to approve the contract with Day Kimball Healthcare for Fiscal Year 2013/2014. Unanimously voted.

**Any Other Business**

Bid - Cleaning Services The BOS agreed to go out to bid for cleaning services at the Town Hall and Library.

Yankee Institute The BOS received a copy of a baseline evaluation from the Yankee Institute for Public Policy for cities and towns in Connecticut. The BOS will review the report which addresses the availability and accessibility of certain documents on town websites.

Mosquitoes Mr. Millovitsch noted that the DEEP and the Uncas Health District are working together on the problem of mosquitoes testing positive for the Triple E virus in Voluntown. He noted that spraying has been conducted in the forest and residents should take precautions when outdoors.

Ms. Morell Tax Collector Ms. Morell presented a report to the BOS detailing collection rates over the past few years. The report showed \$79,282.70 more in collections this year to date compared to last year. The BOS thanked her for doing an excellent job collecting taxes as well as dealing with long standing issues.

**Adjournment**

Motion A motion was made (Robert Sirpenski, Ronald Millovitsch) to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m. Unanimously voted.

Respectfully submitted by:

Approved for distribution by:

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Roxanne Gray, Admin. Asst. to the BOS

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Ronald Millovitsch, Selectman