# VOLUNTOWN SELECTMEN’S MEETING
## October 8, 2019

**Regular Meeting**
The Regular Meeting of the Board of Selectmen was held on Tuesday October 8, 2019 at the Voluntown Town Hall. Ms. Hanson, First Selectman, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**Selectmen Present**
Tracey Hanson, Ronald Millovitsch, Mark Oulton

**Town Officials**
Scott Davidson, Chairman of the Planning and Zoning Commission

**Citizens Present**
Ralph LaFrazza, John Faulise

**Approval of Minutes Motion**
A motion was made by R. Millovitsch/M. Oulton to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on September 24, 2019. Motion Approved.

**Citizens Comments**
- **Ralph LaFrazza**
  Mr. LaFrazza asked the Selectmen if it was possible to add to the ballot changing the Selectmen’s term of office from a two-year term to a four-year term. Ms. Hanson stated that it would have to be changed through an ordinance voted on at a town meeting.

- **Scott Davidson**
  Mr. Davidson recommended that the Selectmen agree to hire the person who applied for the Planning and Zoning Clerk. The Selectmen support the decision made by planning and zoning.

**Boards & Commissions**

**Financial Report**

**Correspondence & Announcements**
- **Smart Recovery**
  Smart Recovery is having weekly support groups on Wednesdays from 7pm -8:30pm at the Voluntown Elementary School.

- **DPH**
  The Department of Public Health announced the third death of a person diagnosed with EEE and a fourth person who remains hospitalized. Residents should still take precautions until the first hard frost.

- **DPH**
  The Department of Public Health sent out an email stating there is still a risk of contracting EEE until the first hard frost. A hard frost is defined as at least 2 consecutive hours of temperatures at 28 degrees or 3 hours below 32 degrees.

- **PW Garage**
  The town diesel tank will be closed on Monday October 14th, 2019 due to the well installation.

- **Informational Meeting**
  The Selectmen in partnership with DEEP will be holding a public informational meeting on Monday October 21, 2019 at 7pm at the Voluntown Elementary Gym pertaining to the draw down and invasive weeds on Beach Pond. Ms. Hanson invited the Boating Division at DEEP to attend as well to discuss traffic on Beach Pond and the Boat Launch. If the Boating Division can’t make it Ms. Hanson will schedule a second meeting with them at a later date.

- **Town Hall Closed**
  The Town Hall will be closed to all employees and Board and Commission members due to the carpets being cleaning from Friday October 18 to Sunday the 20th.
Revaluation
The commercial property data collector will be inspecting all commercial and industrial properties on Thursday October 10, 2019.

Public Works Update
The Public works has finished the paving on Laurel Drive and the curbing on Wilson Road. The drainage issues on Lakeside Terrace were completed on October 8, 2019. Pepin Tree Removal and Iron Horse Tree Removal will be in Town removing trees on Wednesday and Friday. Mowing will continue on Wylie School road.

Old Business – Discussion

Congdon Road
John Faulise from Boundaries spoke to the Selectman about how to fix the drainage issues on Congdon Road along with Keith Stohl. They agreed on a plan of action. Mr. Faulise will work on the bid for the project. The timeline is to complete the project in the spring of 2020.

POCD
The Selectmen reviewed the POCD up to section D. They will continue reviewing the document at the next meeting.

Old Business - Action

Fuel Bid Awarded
The Selectmen awarded the Fuel Bid to East River Energy. The Town garage will be having the propane tank piping completed and East River Energy can provide fuel for that as well.

A motion was made by M. Oulton/R. Millovitsch to award the Fuel Bid to East River Energy. Motion Approved.

Suggestions for Next Meeting – Continue Reviewing the POCD

Adjournment

Motion
A motion was made by R. Millovitsch/M. Oulton to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m. Motion Approved.

Respectfully submitted by: Approved for distribution by:

Julie L. Zelinsky, Admin. Asst. to the BOS
Tracey Hanson, First Selectman