VOLUNTOWN SELECTMANS REGULAR MEETING
September 8, 2020

Meeting
The Regular Meeting of the Board of Selectmen was held via Zoom on Tuesday, September 8, 2020. Ms. Hanson, First Selectman, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Selectmen Present
Tracey Hanson, Ronald Millovitsch, Mark Oulton

Town Officials
None

Approval of Minutes
A motion was made by M. Oulton/R. Millovitsch to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on August 25, 2020. Motion Approved.

Citizens Comments
Scott Davidson
Mr. Davidson sent an email regarding an issue at Two Brothers. Mr. Davidson also wanted to know why the Town Hall was not open on Tuesday evenings. Ms. Hanson responded by saying the Town Hall is currently closed to the public. The restrictions due to COVID-19 make it very difficult for the Town Hall to be open to the public and follow the Governors executive orders. Therefore, if anyone needs something from the Town Hall then please leave a message and an employee will get back to you to make an appointment.

Judith Allik
Ms. Allik expressed concern for the lack of meeting space for Voluntown Boards, Commissions and Committees. Ms. Allik stated that the Governor’s orders permit up to 25 to be present at a public meeting. Ms. Hanson responded that the Town Hall is not large enough to accommodate up to 25 people and the Town does not have the technology to do in person meetings. The Town would also have to increase expenses by doing extra cleaning.

Correspondence & Announcements

Troop E Montville
The CT State Police Troop E in Montville sent their report for calls made for the month of July. There were 4 criminal investigation, 4 accidents, 43 non-reportable matters, 2 traffic citations, and 1 DUI.

OPM
OPM sent a letter stating that they have received notification that the Town would like to Opt-In to be eligible for STEAP grants. The request has been approved and Voluntown will be eligible for the next four years.

DEEP
DEEP sent a letter regarding information for the upcoming forest product harvest in Pachaug State Forest.

Secretary of State
The Secretary of State, Denise Merrill, sent a letter stating that the Town of Voluntown will receive $4,493.00 for COVID-19 expenses related to the upcoming election.

Public Health
The CT Department of Public Health sent a letter regarding tournament sports. Ms. Hanson forwarded this document to the Recreation Department for field use of Constitution Field so they would know what COVID compliance was for their records.

Boards & Committee

Transfer
A motion was made by R. Millovitsch/M. Oulton to approve the transfer of $18,062.76 to close out an old account for Capital Non-recurring Funds. Motion Approved.

Old Business

COVID-19 Appt/Policy
The Selectmen moved this item to the next agenda in order to have the policy finished before appointing a COVID 19 Compliance Officer.
New Business

Job Description  
A motion was made by M. Oulton/R. Millovitsch to approve the job description for the Building Office and Land Use Secretary and General Office Assistant. Motion Approved.

Beach Pond Ordinance  
DEEP suggested a No Wake Zone ordinance be passed from the area near the Boat Launch to the dam because of the narrowness of the waterway there. If the no wake zone is 100 feet from the shore, then a section of Beach Pond would not be wide enough for speed boats and jet skis. This would allow an area to be designated for kayakers, swimmers and fishermen only. Another suggestion that DEEP had was to designate a “Quiet Time” where speed boats and jet skis would not be allowed. The Selectmen decided to add this to the next agenda to give residents a time to send in comments.

Tricentennial Request  
A motion was made by M. Oulton/R. Millovitsch to approve the request to pay Crankin’ Out T’s for hats made for the Tricentennial. Motion Approved.

Tax Refunds  
A motion was made by R. Millovitsch/M. Oulton to approve tax refunds for the following people: Corelogic Centralized Refunds, David Cholewa, Dylan Stryker, Emily Lighthouse, Honda Lease Trust, Jean Domingue, Mallory Muzykoski, Sarah Orkney, Stephen Boisclair and Tyler Rafeldt. Motion Approved.

Driveway Permit  
A motion was made by R. Millovitsch/M. Oulton to release the funds for the completed driveway on James Road. Motion Approved.

Town Clock  
Mr. Millovitsch would like to know who fixed the clock in the center island in Town and to say thank you.

Suggestions for Next Meeting –COVID-19 Compliance Officer/Policy, Beach Pond No Wake Zone

Adjournment

Motion  
A motion was made by R. Millovitsch/M. Oulton to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 6:29p.m. Motion Approved.

Respectfully submitted by:  
Approved for distribution by:

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