

VOLUNTOWN SELECTMANS REGULAR MEETING
March 8, 2022

Meeting	The Regular Meeting of the Board of Selectmen was held in person and livestreamed via YouTube on Tuesday, March 8, 2022. Ms. Hanson, First Selectman, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
Selectmen Present	Tracey Hanson, Mark “Skipp” Oulton, Robert Jim Thevenet
Town Officials	None
Citizens Present	Lieutenant AL Gosselin, Joe Miller, June Tougas, Karen Britt
Motion	A motion was made by M. Oulton/R. Thevenet to add three driveway permits for Brown Road to the agenda. Motion Approved.
Citizens Comments	
Joe Miller	Mr. Miller asked if the town could put up a new slow children sign and if it was okay for him to cleanup the bus turnaround and bring the trash to the trasher station.
Approval of Minutes	A motion was made by M. Oulton/R. Thevenet to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on February 22, 2022. Motion Approved.
Memorial Resolution	Ms. Hanson read and presented a resolution to Mrs. Karen Britt and Mrs. June Tougas in honor of the late Ronald Tougas. The Memorial Resolution states “I, Tracey Hanson, First Selectman of Voluntown, with the support of the Elderly Commission and the Board of Selectmen, in recognition of Ronald Tougas’ contributions to the residents of Voluntown, do hereby express our appreciation for his dedication to the seniors in Voluntown and hereby proclaim that the Voluntown Senior and disabled transportation van be dedicated in his name with the inscription, “Dedicated to Ronald Tougas” to appear on both sides on the vehicle.”
Resident Trooper	Lieutenant Al Gosselin gave a presentation on the Connecticut Resident State Trooper Program to the Selectmen. A copy of the presentation is available in the Selectmen’s office.
Old Business	None
New Business - Discussion	
Capital Projects Plan	The Selectmen reviewed the Capital Projects Plan. The Selectmen discussed replacement of the computers in the Town Hall and how to get them on a rolling plan to be replaced in the future.
Budget 2022/2023	The Selectmen discussed changes to the next budget year. The Selectmen would like to add the discussion of a resident State Trooper to the budget. Some other considerations are increasing the fuel line item. The Selectmen discussed the position of the First Selectmen. Currently the position is paid as a part time position but with the additional duties of the Road Foremen, the position should be considered a full-time position. The Finance Director presented a comparison of salaries from the surrounding Towns.
Auditor	The Town Auditor Sandra Wellwood is retiring. The Town will put out an RFP to retain services of a new auditor.
New Business - Action	
Natl Day of Prayer	Ms. Hanson Read the National Day of Prayer Proclamation. It will take place on May 5, 2022 at 7:15 pm at the Voluntown Town Hall Pavilion. A motion was made by M. Oulton/R. Thevenet to approve the National day of Prayer Proclamation. Motion Approved.

Tax Refunds A motion was made by R. Thevenet/M. Oulton to approve the Tax Refunds as submitted by the Tax Collector to VW Credit Leasing, Honda Lease Trust and Angela and Chris Chabot. Motion Approved.

Suggestions for Next Meeting –Capital Projects Plan, Budget 2022/2023

Adjournment

Motion A motion was made by M. Oulton/R. Thevenet to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m. Motion Approved.

Respectfully submitted by:

Approved for distribution by:

Julie L. Zelinsky, Admin. Asst. to the BOS

Tracey Hanson, First Selectman