

**VOLUNTOWN SELECTMANS REGULAR MEETING**  
**April 12, 2022**

<b>Meeting</b>	The Regular Meeting of the Board of Selectmen was held in person and livestreamed via YouTube on Tuesday, April 12, 2022. Ms. Hanson, First Selectman, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
<b>Selectmen Present</b>	Tracey Hanson, Mark “Skipp” Oulton, Robert Jim Thevenet
<b>Town Officials</b>	<b>None</b>
<b>Citizens Present</b>	<b>Dave Blanchette</b>
<b>Citizens Comments</b>	<b>None</b>
<b>Motion</b>	A motion was made by M. Oulton/R. Thevenet to move Meeting House to be first on the agenda and to add Driveway Permit under New Business Action Item G.. Motion Approved.
<b>Meeting House</b>	The Selectmen discussed with Mr. and Mrs. Blanchette options for an easement to allow the town access to make repairs to the meeting house and gain access to the perimeter of the building. Ms. Hanson will have the Town Lawyer prepare an easement and forward it on to the Blanchette’s for approval.
<b>Approval of Minutes</b>	A motion was made by M. Oulton/R. Thevenet to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on March 22, 2022. Motion Approved.
<b>Correspondence</b>	
Radio Network	Ms. Hanson sent a letter to the CT Land Mobile Radio network asking for the BOE to be part of the network.
CT DEEP	Ms. Hanson sent a letter to DEEP asking for a deep drawdown of Beach Pond and a drawdown of Beach Dale pond.
Testimony	Ms. Hanson sent written testimony against SB296 which requires municipalities to store property of evicted tenants. Ms. Hanson also sent in written testimony against a bill that would require prevent municipalities from charging non-residents higher prices at beaches. The bill was later amended to not exclude inland waterways.
CT Challenge Grant	The Town did not get Selected for the first round of the CT Challenge grant. Ms. Hanson has a meeting with DECD to go over the application for the next round of grants.
Eastern Tourism District	The Eastern Tourism district will be split into three destinations and is working on renaming the destinations to better reflect all the towns in the group. The top names for our destination which includes Plainfield, Griswold and Voluntown are North Eastern Green Valley and
Resident Trooper	A resident sent a letter in favor of a resident state trooper.
Bennet Road	Mr. Thevenet discussed a house that is for sale that is above the assessed value of the home. The Selectmen discussed what to do when houses go up for sale above there assessed value. This is an issue that the assessor can address.
Roads	The Selectmen discussed speed control measures in front of the school.

**New Business – Discussion**

Audit Proposals Review	The Town received one proposal from King, King and Associates for the Audit services bid that was advertised. A motion was made by M. Oulton/R. Thevenet to approve the proposal as submitted by King, King and Associates. Motion Approved.
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**New Business - Action**

- Title 6 Coordinator Ms. Hanson moved the title six coordinator to the next meeting.
- Budget 22/23 A motion was made by M. Oulton/R. Thevenet to approve the 22/23 Budget Proposal to be presented at the public hearing. Motion Approved.
- Capital Projects A motion was made by M. Oulton/R. Thevenet to approve the Capital Projects Plan to be presented at the public hearing. Motion Approved.
- Tax Refunds A motion was made to approve the tax refunds as submitted by the Tax Collector for James Stowe, Joseph Gilbert and Troy Openchowski. Motion Approved.
- Resolution A motion was made by M. Oulton/ R. Thevenet to approve entering into a Master Installment Purchase Agreement with Daimler Truck Financial Services USA LLC for the purpose of purchasing, via a financing contract a 2024 Freightliner Single Axle Plow Truck. Motion Approved.
- Elderly/Disabled Transportation Grant A motion was made by M. Oulton/R. Thevenet to enter into an agreement with the State of Matching Grant Program for the Elderly and Disabled Transportation Vehicle. Motion Approved.
- Driveway Permit A motion was made by R. Thevenet/M. Oulton to approve the driveway permit at 331 Shetucket Turnpike. Motion Approved.

**Suggestions for Next Meeting –Title Six Coordinator**

**Adjournment**

**Motion** A motion was made by M. Oulton/R. Thevenet to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m. Motion Approved.

Respectfully submitted by:

Approved for distribution by:

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

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Tracey Hanson, First Selectman