

VOLUNTOWN SELECTMANS REGULAR MEETING
April 26, 2022

Meeting	The Regular Meeting of the Board of Selectmen was held in person and livestreamed via YouTube on Tuesday, April 26, 2022. Ms. Hanson, First Selectman, called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.
Selectmen Present	Tracey Hanson, Mark “Skipp” Oulton, Robert Jim Thevenet
Town Officials	None
Citizens Present	None
Citizens Comments	None
Approval of Minutes	A motion was made by R. Thevenet/M. Oulton to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on April 12, 2022. Motion Approved.
Correspondence	
Reason to Ride	Ms. Hanson signed the permit allowing the Reason to Ride to use the roadways in Voluntown on June 12 th , 2022.
Jewett City Savings	Jewett City Savings Bank is accepting applications from non-profits for their Foundation Grant Program until August 31 st , 2022.
New Business – Action	
Budget 2022-23	The Selectmen discussed changes to the 2022-2023 budget. The insurance costs came in higher at 10.5%. There were changes made to the Transfer Station, Fuel and the Auditor. The Selectmen discussed a possible referendum for the Town for a resident state trooper. A motion was made by M. Oulton/R. Thevenet to approve the Budget Proposal for FY22-23. Motion Approved.
VPL-Roof Bid	There were three bids submitted for the Library Roof. The Selectmen discussed the different options. One bid came in significantly lower than the other two. The Selectmen would like to find out why before they make their decision. A special meeting will be held on May 4, 2022 at 5:45pm to award the bid.
Finn Beach Passes	The Selectmen discussed the Finn Beach passes for the current year. One suggestion was to have 2 passes available at the Library for the residents to borrow. Ms. Hanson will reach out to the library regarding this. A motion was made by R. Thevenet/M. Oulton to keep the prices the same as the prior year. Motion Approved.
Tax Refunds	A motion was made by M. Oulton/R. Thevenet to approve a tax refund to Toyota Lease Trust as submitted by the Tax Collector. Motion Approved.
New Business - Discussion	
Annual Town Meeting Timeline	The Selectmen discussed the timeline for the Annual Town Meeting. The Budget Hearing will take place on May 4 th , 2022 at 6pm at the Town Hall Meeting Room. The Annual Town Meeting will be held on May 24, 2022 at the Voluntown Elementary School at 7:00pm and will be moved to a referendum on May 31 st , 2022 at the Town Hall from 12pm to 8pm. The questions for the referendum will be to approve the Town Budget, The BOE Budget the CIP Budget, to enter into a contract for a Resident Sate Trooper and a question to appropriate the money for a Resident State Trooper. There will be a Special Meeting to set the Mil Rate immediately following the referendum. The Selectmen discussed having a question regarding the Methodist Meeting House on the referendum as well. Ms. Hanson will check with the Town Lawyer regarding the wording for this. The Selectmen’s meeting on May 24 th and June 17 th will be cancelled.

Affordable Housing Plan The Selectmen discussed the Affordable Housing Plan that will be presented at the Affordable Housing Plan Informational Session on May 4th, 2022 immediately following the Budget Hearing.

Suggestions for Next Meeting -None

Adjournment

Motion A motion was made by M. Oulton/R. Thevenet to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.
Motion Approved.

Respectfully submitted by:

Approved for distribution by:

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

Tracey Hanson, First Selectman