VOLUNTOwn SELECTMANS REGULAR MEETING
July 12, 2022

Meeting
The Regular Meeting of the Board of Selectmen was held in person and livestreamed via YouTube on Tuesday, July 12, 2022. Ms. Hanson, First Selectman, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Selectmen Present
Tracey Hanson, Robert Jim Thevenet, Mark ‘Skipp’ Oulton

Town Officials
None

Citizens Present
None

Citizens Comments
None

Approval of Minutes
A motion was made by R. Thevenet/T. Hanson to approve the minutes of the meeting held on June 28, 2022. Motion Approved.

Correspondence
None

Bassett Mill Road
Public works will be working on replacing drainage on July 13, 2022 on Bassett Mill Road.

Board and Committee Reports
None

Financial Report
Ms. Zelinsky and Mr. Madeira will be submitting a new finance report on the second Tuesdays of each month going forward. Ms. Zelinsky gave a brief overview of the FY 21 Budget.

Old Business Updates

ARPA
No update at this time.

Ordinances
No update at this time.

Wylie School House
No update at this time.

Grants
The Town was notified that the State DMS program will now cover the remaining 20% for construction costs for the Forge Hill Bridge which means the Bridge will now be 100% reimbursed from the Federal and State Grant Program.

Drawdowns
No Changes. Mr. Thevenet suggested that we ask the State to inspect the footings of the dam in order to get a deeper draw down.

Title Six
No update at this time.

Forge Hill Bridge
See above.

Formation of Municipal ISP Commission
Mr. Oulton is working on the Formation of the Commission. No changes at this time.

457b Equitable
No update at this time.

Meeting House RFP
The Meeting House RFP has been published and is due August 11, 2022. Ms. Hanson received information from the CT Historic Preservation on salvage companies. Ms. Hanson will work on a salvage plan in case the Town receives no bids from the RFP. The building will need to be secured before hurricane season.
Procurement Policy

A draft of the procurement policy was distributed to the Selectmen, the Treasurer and will be sent to the BOE for suggestions on changes.

New Business

Plumbing/Basement

Water issues

There are old copper pipes in the basement that keep springing leaks. It was suggested by the plumber that the pipes be replaced. The water heater and the water tank needs replacing as well. Because of this the sheetrock will have to be replaced in the bathrooms.

Motion

A motion was made by M. Oulton/R. Thevenet to add Town Hall Renovations under New Business. Motion Approved.

Town Hall Renovations

There are several projects including the basement that needs updating for the Town Hall. The oil tank needs to be removed, the sump pump is currently piped incorrectly, the brick on the outside of the building needs repointing, the step on the side door is not done to code and there is a leak coming from the chimney. Ms. Hanson will reach out to the engineering company Zaino to come up with an RFP.

Brown Road

A motion was made by R. Thevenet/M. Oulton to approve the three driveways at 98, 102 and 110 Brown Road. Motion Approved. The driveway permit for 114 is on hold and waiting for more information.

ARPA Request

The Selectmen received an APRA request from the Voluntown Baptist Church to help fix their well. They are having issues with their water. The Baptist Church is currently the emergency shelter used by the school.

Other Business

None

Suggestions for Next Meeting - None

Adjournment

Motion

A motion was made by R. Thevenet/T. Hanson to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 7:39 p.m. Motion Approved.

Respectfully submitted by:                                  Approved for distribution by:

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