

**VOLUNTOWN SELECTMANS REGULAR MEETING**  
**November 22, 2022**

<b>Meeting</b>	The Regular Meeting of the Board of Selectmen was held in person it was not livestreamed via YouTube on Tuesday, November 22, 2022. Ms. Hanson, First Selectman, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
<b>Selectmen Present</b>	Tracey Hanson, Robert Jim Thevenet, Mark ‘Skipp’ Oulton
<b>Town Officials</b>	None
<b>Citizens Present</b>	Ron Millovitsch,, Robert Lambert, Denise Lambert
<b>Citizens Comments</b>	
Ron Millovitsch	Mr. Millovitsch wanted to say thank you to a neighbor who paid to have a tree cut down on James Road which saved the Town from having to take it down.
<b>Approval of Minutes</b>	A motion was made by M. Oulton/R. Thevenet to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on October 25, 2022. Motion Approved.
<b>Correspondence</b>	
Angel Tree	The Town will host an Angel tree again this year. Details will be announced on the Town’s website and social media pages.  The Town is doing a giveaway for a doll house that was made by a gentleman who built the log cabins on Bailey Pond. With every \$5 donation a donor will receive a giveaway entry ticket. All donations will go to the Voluntown Community Fund.
<b>Board and Committee Reports</b>	
Public works	The curbing was completed on Bennett Road and Bassett Mill Road. The patching of potholes was completed on Kinnie Road, Williams, Road, Hodge Pond Road, Forge Hill and Wheeler Road.
Financial Report	Mr. Sean O’Grady and Ms. Zoe Peak from King,King & Associates did a presentation of the Audit Report for the Fiscal Year 2021-2022. The audit report will be posted on the Town’s webpage.
<b>Old Business Updates</b>	
ARPA	No update.
Baptist Church Well Project	
Approval of Bids	The Selectmen discussed the bids presented by the Baptist Church Well Project Committee. A motion was made by R. Thevenet/M. Oulton to approve the bids as submitted. Motion Approved. Tracey Hanson abstained because she is on the committee.
Ordinances	No update.
Forge Hill Bridge	Ms. Hanson sent a letter to the CT Department of Transportation concerning rights of way tasks that are required for the Forge Hill Bridge Project. The Town does not have sufficient staff to perform the required work and asks that the CTDOT Division of Rights of Way unit perform these tasks.
Formation of Municipal ISP Commission	The Town is looking for members who wish to volunteer for this committee.

Meeting House                    The contract with Wiese Construction has been signed. The abatement work will begin the week of November 29<sup>th</sup>, 2022 and demolition should start the week after.

Gate Street Project  
Appointment                    A motion was made by M. Oulton/R. Thevenet to appoint Sandra Pellinen, Mike Kalwara, Brian Kallio, James Anderson and Charles Olari to the Gate Street Recreation Master Plan Committee. Motion Approved.

Municipal Improv.  
Project/STEAP                    No Update.

Fire Station  
Improv. Design  
Appointments                    A motion was made by M. Oulton/R. Thevenet to appoint Clifford Schwery, Tim Adams, Garth Pellinen, Emile LePage, and Dan Matheson to the Voluntown Fire Department Improvement Committee with Julie Zelinsky, Tracey Hanson, John Guskowski and Lucas Girard as advisory members. Motion Approved.

**New Business**

Driveway Permits                    A motion was made to approve the driveway permits at 90 and 94 Brown Road and to approve the trench across Bennett Road. Extension. Motion Approved.

Cafeteria Plan                    A motion was made by M. Oulton/R. Thevenet to approve the amendment made to the Towns Tasc cafeteria Plan. Motion Approved.

HVAC Resolution                    Ms. Hanson read the resolution for the HVAC Indoor Air Quality Grant. A motion was made by M. Oulton/R. Thevenet to approve the resolution as read. Motion Approved.

**Executive Session**                    A motion was made by M. Oulton/R. Thevenet to move into executive session at 6:55 pm with the addition of Julie Zelinsky to discuss Employee Contract/Benefit Review-Negotiations. Motion Approved.

The Selectmen came out of Executive Session at 7:45 pm. No votes were taken.

Library                    A motion was made to add Library Request Letter to the Agenda. Motion Approved.  
Ms. Hanson read a letter written by the Library Board of Trustees regarding the issue of needing a maintenance person for the Library. The Selectmen discussed different options on how to fix this problem. The Town Hall has the same issues.

**Other Business**                    **None**

**Suggestions for Next Meeting –**

**Adjournment**

**Motion**                    A motion was made by R. Thevenet/T. Hanson to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 7:45 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