

February 11, 2015

The meeting of the Sterling Board of Selectmen was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Selectmen present-Russell Gray, Lincoln Cooper and John Firlik.

Staff present-Joyce Gustavson.

Pledge of Allegiance: Everyone stood to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

Audience of Citizens: None.

Approval of Minutes: L. Cooper made a motion, seconded by J. Firlik to approve the 2/4/2015 regular meeting minutes and the 2/10/2015 special meeting minutes as presented. All voted in favor of the motion.

Unfinished Business:

**a. Commission Vacancies (Energy Committee, Family Day Committee & Zoning Board of Appeals):** L. Cooper stated the Agriculture Commission has a vacancy. J. Firlik made a motion, seconded by L. Cooper to table this item to the next meeting. All voted in favor of the motion.

**b. Excavation Ordinance:** No new information. J. Firlik made a motion, seconded by L. Cooper to table this item. All voted in favor of the motion.

**c. Family Day Committee Request for Notice Sign:** No new information. L. Cooper made a motion, seconded by J. Firlik to table this item. All voted in favor of the motion.

**d. 2015-2016 Proposed Selectmen's Budget:** J. Firlik made a motion, seconded by L. Cooper to schedule a workshop for Tuesday, 2/17/2015 at 5:30 p.m. in Room 15 to continue reviewing the budget. All voted in favor of the motion.

**e. 2015-2016 Local Capital Improvement Plan:** The Local Capital Improvement Plan was not available to review. L. Cooper made a motion, seconded by J. Firlik to table this item to the next agenda. All voted in favor of the motion.

**f. Low Income Veterans:** R. Gray reported that he received an email on Monday, 2/9/2015 from Kari Olsen, Town counsel stating that she is confident that it is appropriate for the Board of Selectmen to adopt an ordinance by resolution for the Additional Veterans Tax Exemption for 100% Disabled Veterans. A draft resolution and ordinance will be forwarded to Kara Fishman, Assessor for review. L. Cooper made a motion, seconded by J. Firlik to table this item. All voted in favor of the motion.

New Business:

**a. Request for Refund of Excess Tax Payments:** L. Cooper made a motion, seconded by J. Firlik to approve the request for refunds to: 1) Dave E. Roberts, PO Box 232, Sterling, CT 06377 for \$526.40; 2) Robin C. & Mark F. Seaman, 136 Kenwood Est., Jewett City, CT 06351-8922 for \$10.00; and 3) Wendy & Stanley Walker, Sr., PO Box 195, Oneco, CT 06373-0195 for \$23.00. All voted in favor of the motion.

**b. Consider & Act on Re-appointment to Sterling Inland Wetland & Watercourses Commission:** J. Firlik made a motion, seconded by L. Cooper to re-appoint Richard McGarry, 143 Sawmill Hill Road, Sterling, CT 06377, Kimberly Gunn, PO Box 505, Oneco, CT 06373-0505, Brad Herman, 440 Sawmill Hill Road, Sterling, CT 06377, Maggie Camplin, 377 Pine Hill Road, Sterling, CT 06377, and Alternate Dori Cote, 117 Valley View Road, Sterling, CT 06377 to a three (3) year term expiring 2/19/2018. All voted in favor of the motion.

**c. Schedule Interviews for General Office Assistant:** R. Gray stated that interviews will be scheduled for Wednesday, 2/25/2015 beginning at 5:45 p.m. J. Gustavson will contact the four (4) candidates and inform them that this position does not offer holiday pay, insurance, and vacation/sick days; as well as the salary scale.

Any Other Business: L. Cooper reported that he is waiting to hear back from Maxine Marcy of the East Woodstock Cornet Band regarding the Memorial Day Parade.

Adjournment: L. Cooper made a motion, seconded by J. Firlik to adjourn 6:26 p.m. All voted in favor of the motion.

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Joyce A. Gustavson, Recording Secretary