

April 8, 2015

The meeting of the Sterling Board of Selectmen was called to order at 6:00 p.m. Selectmen present-Russell Gray and Lincoln Cooper. Absent-John Firlik. Staff present-Joyce Gustavson.

Also present-David Shippee and Frank Bood (6:40 p.m.)

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

Audience of Citizens: No Comment.

Approval of Minutes: L. Cooper made a motion, seconded by R. Gray to approve the 4/1/2015 regular meeting minutes and the 4/7/2015 special meeting minutes as presented. All voted in favor of the motion.

Unfinished Business:

**a. Commission Vacancies (Energy Committee & Sterling Recreation Authority):** No new information. L. Cooper made a motion, seconded by R. Gray to table this item to the next meeting. All voted in favor of the motion.

**b. Notice of Violation and Order – 15 Old Greenwich Road:** No new information. L. Cooper made a motion, seconded by R. Gray to table this item to the next meeting. All voted in favor of the motion.

**c. Schedule Special Town Meeting for the Proposed FY 2015-2016 Budgets:** The Special Town meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 23, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at the Sterling Municipal Building Gym, 1183 Plainfield Pike, Oneco, CT to adopt the Board of Education's 2015-2016 Proposed Budget and to adopt the Board of Selectmen's 2015-2016 Proposed Budget and in accordance with Section 7-7 of the CGS remove the items to a referendum vote to be held on Thursday, April 30, 2015 from 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Sterling Municipal Building Gym, 1183 Plainfield Pike in Oneco.

**d. Schedule Special Town Meeting to Approve an Appropriation of \$21,900 from the Town's Fund Balance for Snow and Ice Removal – 1183 Plainfield Pike, Oneco, CT:** The Special Town meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 20, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at the Sterling Municipal Building Gym, 1183 Plainfield Pike, Oneco, CT to vote to approve an appropriation in the amount of \$21,900 for the snow and ice removal from the roof at the Sterling Municipal Building, 1183 Plainfield Pike, Oneco, CT.

**e. Schedule Special Town Meeting for the Annual Report:** The Special Town meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 20, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at the Sterling Municipal Building Gym, 1183 Plainfield Pike, Oneco, CT to act on the reports of the town, authorize borrowing for the ensuing year, and designate banks for town depositories.

**f. Extension for Closing – 511 Sterling Road:** R. Gray reported that the closing for 511 Sterling Road has been rescheduled to May 1, 2015. He will contact Kari Olsen, Town attorney to see if a Town meeting needs be held prior to accepting the property from Wells Fargo Bank.

New Business:

**a. Discussion of FY 2015-2016 Budget Presentation:** Discussion was held with D. Shippee, Chairman of the Board of Finance concerning the Power Point presentations from the Board of Education and the Board of Selectmen, introductions, and setting a three-minute (3) time limit for each individual asking question(s). D. Shippee stated that no personal attacks will be tolerated and individuals will be asked to leave the public hearing.

Any Other Business: 1) Discussion was held regarding the Employee Classification and Compensation Study. Handouts for the public shall be available shortly. 2) J. Gustavson asked if Dale Boisselle could be trained as a backup recording secretary for the Board of Selectmen meetings. Approval was given to begin training in May.

Adjournment: L. Cooper made a motion, seconded by R. Gray to adjourn 7:00 p.m. All voted in favor of the motion.

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