

March 9, 2016

The meeting of the Sterling Board of Selectmen was called to order at 6:00 p.m. Selectmen present-Russell Gray and Lincoln Cooper. Selectman absent-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 R. Gray to approve the 3/2/2016 meeting minutes as presented. All voted in favor of the motion.

Unfinished Business:

a. Commission Vacancies (Northeast District Department of Health and Zoning Board of Appeals): An appointment to Northeast District Department of Health will be addressed under New Business later tonight; no new information for the Zoning Board of Appeals. L. Cooper made a motion, seconded R. Gray to table this item to the next meeting. All voted in favor of the motion.

b. FY 2016-2017 Proposed Selectmen's Budget: The Board of Selectmen's proposed 2016-2017 budget will be presented to the Board of Finance at 7:00 p.m. tonight.

c. Discussion Regarding Sale of Right-of-Way on Town Property Located on Margaret Henry Road and Snake Meadow Hill Road: R. Gray reported that D. Sorrentino, Zoning Enforcement Officer mailed letters to the abutting property owners concerning the sale of the right-of-way on Town property located on Margaret Henry Road and Snake Meadow Hill Road notifying them of the special meeting scheduled for Wednesday, 3/23/2016 by the Board of Selectmen in Room #15 at the Sterling Municipal Building located at 1183 Plainfield Pike regarding the disposition of the former right-of-way – Main Road #2, which extends from Snake Meadow Hill Road (directly across from Main Street) northeasterly to Margaret Henry Road. Two (2) of the six (6) abutters have expressed interest in attending the special meeting.

New Business:

a. Consider & Act on Appointment of Lana Salisbury to Northeast District Department of Health (3 yr. term expiring 3/7/2019): L. Cooper made a motion, seconded by R. Gray to appoint Lana Salisbury, 379 Calvin French Road, Sterling, CT 06377 to fill the vacancy by Neil Cook to a three (3) year term expiring 3/7/2019 to the Northeast District Department of Health. All voted in favor of the motion.

b. Consider & Act on Re-appointment to Sterling Agricultural Commission of Alternate Howard Hopps (1 yr. term expiring 3/12/2017), Kelly Dennis, Alternate Verna Cole, Andy Meek, and Alternate Katie Hermonot (2 yr. term expiring 3/12/2018), and Megan Johnson, Betsy Molodich, and Robin Cousens (3 yr. term expiring 3/12/2019): L. Cooper made a motion, seconded by R. Gray to re-appoint Alternate Howard Hopps, 148 Pine Hill Road, Sterling, CT 06377 to a one (1) year term expiring 3/12/2017, Kelly Dennis, 532 Sawmill Hill Road, Sterling, CT 06377, Alternate Verna Cole, 27 Ekonk Hill Road, Moosup, CT 06354, Andy Meek, 63 Spring Lake Road, Sterling, CT 06377, and Alternate Katie Hermonot, 227 Ekonk Hill Road, Moosup, CT 06354 to a two (2) year term expiring 3/12/2018, and Megan Johnson, 260 Main Street, Sterling, CT 06377, Betsy Molodich, 36 Cedar Swamp Road, Moosup, CT 06354, and Robin Cousens, 86 Gibson Hill Road, Sterling, CT 06377 to a three (3) year term expiring 3/12/2019 to the Sterling Agricultural Commission. All voted in favor of the motion.

c. Request for Refund of Excess Tax Payments: R. Gray made a motion, seconded by L. Cooper to approve the request for refunds to: Savings Institute, PO Box 95, Willimantic, CT 06226-9918 for \$1,751.91. All voted in favor of the motion.

Any Other Business: 1) L. Cooper stated that last year asbestos was removed from the old dog pound located at 1110 Plainfield Pike and the building should be torn down. L. Cooper made a motion seconded by R. Gray to have the Town Highway crew tear down and dispose the debris from the old dog pound located at 1110 Plainfield Pike. All voted in favor of the motion. 2) The Grange is recognizing the milestone achieved by Robert P. Jordan for his eighty (80) years of continuous membership in any organization. R. Jordan served twenty-six (26) years as First

Selectman, Town road foreman, snowplow coordinator and dog warden. L. Cooper made a motion, seconded by R. Gray to declare Sunday, April 3, 2016 as Robert P. Jordan Day in the Town of Sterling. All voted in favor of the motion.

Adjournment: R. Gray made a motion, seconded by L. Cooper, to adjourn 6:30 p.m. All voted in favor of the motion.

Attest: _____
Joyce A. Gustavson, Recording Secretary