

April 13, 2016

The meeting of the Sterling Board of Selectmen was called to order at 6:01 p.m.

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

Staff present-Joyce Gustavson and Judy Gooslin.

Also present-Beverly Boyd (6:09 p.m.), Flo Banks and Mary Anne Keleghan (6:11 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 J. Firlik to approve the 4/6/2016 meeting minutes as presented. All voted in favor of the motion.

Unfinished Business:

a. Commission Vacancies (Zoning Board of Appeals): No new information. 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. Discussion Regarding Sale of Right-of-Way on Town Property Located on Margaret Henry Road and Snake Meadow Hill Road: No new information. L. Cooper made a motion, seconded by J. Firlik to table this item to the next meeting. All voted in favor of the motion.

c. West Wing Restroom Facilities: R. Gray reported that Parent Sanitation routed the pipe from the entrance to the septic tank and it appears to be okay. They believe that the first baffle in the septic tank is plugged and the only way to get to the baffle is to dig up the tank which is located under the sidewalk and parking lot located in front of the gym. R. Gray shall contact Parent Sanitation in mid May to come back and dig up the sidewalk to unplug the baffle. L. Cooper made a motion, seconded by J. Firlik to table this item to the next meeting. All voted in favor of the motion.

New Business:

a. Request by Recreation Authority to Consider Adopting an Ordinance Establishing the Conservation & Caring Club Committee: J. Gooslin, Recreation Director stated that Sherri Hirschboeck of the Conservation & Caring Club approached the Recreation Authority requesting to hold club meetings at the Sterling Municipal Building, 1183 Plainfield Pike, Oneco, as they can no longer hold meetings at the Sterling Community School. J. Gooslin contacted the Town's insurance company and before the Conservation & Caring Club Committee can hold meetings at the Sterling Municipal Building, they need to be covered under the Town's insurance policy. J. Gooslin stated that this club is a good fit for the Town and provides many services in helping families in need with various drives; such as, food share, pet food, and nonperishable foods. An ordinance establishing the Conservation & Caring Club as a Commission similar to the Family Day Committee was discussed. J. Gustavson shall email S. Hirschboeck a copy of the ordinance to be used as a markup to fill in the particulars as to appointment, membership, terms, frequency of meetings, and duties. J. Firlik made a motion, seconded by L. Cooper to table this item to the next meeting.

b. Schedule Special Town Meeting for 2016-2017 Budget Vote: J. Firlik made a motion, seconded by L. Cooper to hold a special Town meeting on Wednesday, May 11, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the Sterling Town Hall/Municipal Building Gym for the following purposes:

1. To adopt the budget of the Board of Education in the amount of \$8,047,769 as approved by the Board of Finance and to appropriate said sums of monies for Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2017.
2. To adopt the budget of the Board of Selectmen in the amount of \$2,748,085, as approved by the Board of Finance and to appropriate said sums of monies for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2017.
3. To adopt the Local Capital Improvement Plan and Budget in the amount of \$292,409 as approved by the Board of Finance and to appropriate said sums of monies for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2017.

And in accordance with Section 7-7 of the CT General Statutes, to remove these items to a referendum vote to be held Wednesday, May 18, 2016 from 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Sterling Town Hall/Municipal Building Gym, 1183 Plainfield Pike, Oneco, CT.

All voted in favor of the motion.

Any Other Business: None.

Adjournment: L. Cooper made a motion, seconded by J. Firlik, to adjourn 6:18 p.m. All voted in favor of the motion.

Attest: _____
Joyce A. Gustavson, Recording Secretary