

April 20, 2016

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 and Judy Gooslin.

Also present-Neil Cook (6:02 p.m.).

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

Audience of Citizens: No Comment.

Approval of Minutes: J. Firlik made a motion, seconded by L. Cooper to approve the 4/13/2016 regular meeting minutes and Tri-Board meeting minutes as presented. All voted in favor of the motion.

Unfinished Business:

a. Commission Vacancies (Zoning Board of Appeals): 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.

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 stated that after the referendum and before summer Recreation begins Parent Sanitation will dig up the tank located under the sidewalk and parking lot in front of the gym and unplug the first baffle in the septic tank. L. Cooper made a motion, seconded by J. Firlik to remove this item from the agenda. All voted in favor of the motion.

J. Gooslin asked if the bathrooms near the library could be opened up for use. R. Gray stated that we do not have asbuilts and it would be hard to determine where the covers are located and he believes those bathrooms are on a different system. L. Cooper will check it out and follow the tunnels to see where they lead.

d. Request by Recreation Authority to Consider Adopting an Ordinance Establishing a Conservation & Caring Club Committee: J. Gooslin received an email dated 4/20/2016 from Sherrie Hirschboeck with wording for an Ordinance establishing the Conservation & Caring Club Committee as a Commission. A special Town meeting shall be scheduled to adopt "An Ordinance Establishing a Conservation & Caring Club Committee". To avoid conflicting with the Sterling Community School eighth grade graduation, R. Gray will contact the school for the graduation date. J. Firlik made a motion, seconded by L. Cooper to table this item to the next meeting. All voted in favor of the motion.

e. Schedule Special Town Meeting for 2016-2017 Budget Vote: The Special Town Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 11, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. at the Sterling Municipal Building Gym, 1183 Plainfield Pike, Oneco, CT to adopt the Board of Education's 2016-2017 Proposed Budget and to adopt the Board of Selectmen's 2016-2017 Proposed Budget and in accordance with Section 7-7 of the CGS to remove the items to a referendum vote to be held on Wednesday, May 18, 2016 from 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Sterling Municipal Building, Gym, 1183 Plainfield Pike in Oneco.

New Business:

a. Consider & Act on School Bus Bids: The Board of Selectmen received the following bids for one new school bus: 1) Dattco Sales and Service \$82,975 plus \$750 to install the radio. The child check mate system is included in the bid price, minus \$4,500 for the trade in, for a final bid in the amount of \$79,225; 2) School Lines, Inc., \$82,437 plus \$698 to install the radio. The child check mate system is included in the bid price, minus \$3,950 for the trade in, for a final bid in the amount of \$79,185. L. Cooper made a motion, seconded by J. Firlik to forward the school bus bids to Josh McLeod, Town Mechanic for review and to table this item to the next meeting. All voted in favor of the motion.

b. Resignation of Dawn Webster from Sterling Recreation Authority: Dawn Webster submitted a resignation letter from the Sterling Recreation Authority dated 4/13/2016 effective

immediately. L. Cooper made a motion, seconded by J. Firlik to accept D. Webster's resignation with regrets. All voted in favor of the motion.

Any Other Business: None.

Adjournment: L. Cooper made a motion, seconded by J. Firlik, to adjourn 6:23 p.m. All voted in favor of the motion.

Attest: _____
Joyce A. Gustavson, Recording Secretary