

November 2, 2016

The meeting of the Sterling Board of Selectmen was called to order at 6:03 p.m.

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

Staff present-Joyce Gustavson.

Also present-Betsy Chamberland.

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 10/12/2016 meeting minutes and the 10/26/2016 Tri-Board meeting minutes as presented. All voted in favor of the motion.

Unfinished Business:

a. Commission Vacancies (Zoning Board of Appeals): 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: The Board of Selectmen received an email dated 10/18/2016 from Demian Sorrentino, Zoning Enforcement Officer outlining the calculation of the three (3) parcels (portions) intended to be acquired by Tetreault, Taylor and Heroux for the right-of-way distribution for Town property located on Margaret Henry Road and Snake Meadow Hill Road (copy on file). A Notice of Meeting shall be sent to all six (6) abutters regarding the disposition of the former right-of-way – Main Road #2 inviting them to attend the Board of Selectmen’s meeting scheduled for Wednesday, 11/9/2016 at 6:00 p.m. in Room #15 at the Sterling Municipal Building, 1183 Plainfield Pike, Oneco. J. Firlik made a motion, seconded by L. Cooper to table this item to the next meeting. All voted in favor of the motion.

c. West Wing Restroom Facilities (Library): R. Gray reported that Peter Barbeau of Peter Barbeau Plumbing & Heating began work on the restroom facilities in the Library on 10/14/2016 and discovered that the toilets, urinals, and sinks need to be replaced as the connection to replace the sink traps are inside the wall and the tile would need to be taken down to gain access. P. Barbeau will submit a quote to the Board of Selectmen with the price per unit. Currently the girls’ restroom has five (5) toilets and three (3) sinks and the boys’ restroom has three (3) urinals, three (3) toilets, and three (3) sinks. R. Gray stated that this could be downsized and will contact P. Barbeau regarding the quote to replace the urinals, toilets, and sinks. 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. Special Town Meeting to Vote on Board of Finance’s Request to Add a New Line Item to the Selectmen’s Budget for FY 2016-2017 – Capital Accounts – Internet Technology: R. Gray reported that the new line item to the Selectmen’s Budget for FY 2016-2017 will be changed to Capital Accounts – Information Technology. L. Cooper made a motion, seconded by J. Firlik to confirm the Special Town Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, 11/16/2016 at 7:00 p.m. at the Sterling Municipal Building, Room #15, 1183 Plainfield Pike, Oneco, CT to vote to approve the addition of a new Capital Account – Information Technology line item to the Selectmen’s Budget for FY2016-2017, as approved by the Board of Finance. All voted in favor of the motion.

b. Special Town Meeting to Vote on Board of Finance Appropriation from Fund Balance to Board of Selectmen’s 2016-2017 Budget – Capital Accounts – Internet Technology. R. Gray reported that the new line item to the Selectmen’s Budget for FY 2016-2017 will be changed to Capital Accounts – Information Technology. L. Cooper made a motion, seconded by J. Firlik to confirm the Special Town Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, 11/16/2016 at 7:00 p.m. to vote to approve the Capital Accounts - Information Technology appropriation from the Fund Balance to the Board of Selectmen’s 2016-2017 Budget, in the amount of \$70,000, as approved by the Board of Finance.

c. Request for Refund of Excess Tax Payments: J. Firlik made a motion, seconded by L. Cooper to approve the request for refunds to: 1) Francis J. & Mary B. Amaral, PO Box 121, Oneco, CT 06373 for \$5.50; 2) Sarah M. & Kenneth A. Phaiyah, Jr., PO Box 227, Oneco, CT

06373-0227 for \$4.71; and 3) Cylu G. Fountaine & Leonard E. Watson, Jr., 818 Margaret Henry Road, Sterling, CT 06377-1715 for \$29.39. All voted in favor of the motion.

d. Resignation of Kelly Dennis from Agricultural Commission: R. Gray received an email of resignation dated 10/13/2016 from Kelly Dennis. K. Dennis is moving out of state and states, "It has been my very great pleasure to reside in Sterling and to share in the community building efforts around its farms and agricultural production". L. Cooper made a motion, seconded by J. Firlik to regretfully accept Kelly Dennis' resignation effective 10/31/2016. All voted in favor of the motion.

e. Consider & Act on 2017 Schedule of Meetings: L. Cooper made a motion, seconded J. Firlik to approve the 2017 Meeting Schedule. All voted in favor of the motion.

f. Consider & Act on Re-appointment of Lincoln Cooper, Jon Turban, and Beverly Boyd to Sterling Energy Committee (3 yr. term expiring 11/7/2019): J. Firlik made a motion, seconded by R. Gray to re-appoint Lincoln Cooper, 420 Porter Pond Road, Moosup, CT 06354, Jon Turban, 21 Jared Hall Hill Road, Sterling, CT 06377, and Beverly Boyd, c/o 251 Sterling Road, Sterling, CT 06377 to a three (3) year term expiring 11/7/2019 to the Sterling Energy Committee. All voted in favor of the motion.

Any Other Business: R. Gray reported that Carl Pasteryak of Charles Pasteryak, Jr., Inc. has completed the paving on Calvin French Road, Deerfield Drive, Gibson Lane, Railroad Avenue, and Sawmill Hill Road. Robertson Paving, LLC has repaired the aprons on Deerfield Drive, Gibson Lane (except one 1 residence) and Railroad Avenue. Work will begin next week on Calvin French Road and Sawmill Hill Road.

Adjournment: L. Cooper made a motion, seconded by J. Firlik, to adjourn 6:36 p.m. All voted in favor of the motion.

Attest: _____
Joyce A. Gustavson, Recording Secretary