

May 3, 2017

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 Demian Sorrentino (6:08 p.m.).

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

Audience of Citizens: None.

Approval of Minutes: J. Firlik made a motion, seconded by L. Cooper to approve the 4/12/2017 meeting minutes, the 4/19/2017 and 4/26/2017 special meeting minutes as presented. All voted in favor of the motion.

Unfinished Business:

a. Commission Vacancies (Planning & Zoning Commission): No candidate for the Planning & Zoning Commission. 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 of Employee Safety Committee Guide: J. Firlik presented the revised Employee Safety Committee Guide. The following items are covered in the Safety Guide: Purpose and Scope, Membership/Committee Composition Requirements, Training, Duties and Responsibilities, a sample Agenda and Incident Reporting Form, and Records/Postings. Copies will be distributed to staff and members of the Safety Committee. R. Gray made a motion, seconded by L. Cooper to adopt the Employee Safety Committee Guide and add it to the Employee Handbook. R. Gray and L. Cooper voted in favor of the motion. J. Firlik abstained. Motion carries.

c. Special Town Meeting for 2017-2018 Budget Vote: The Special Town Meeting is scheduled for tonight at 7:00 p.m. at the Sterling Town Hall/Municipal Building Gym, 1183 Plainfield Pike, Oneco, CT to adopt the Board of Education's 2017-2018 Proposed Budget and to adopt the Board of Selectmen's 2017-2018 Proposed Budget and in accordance with Section 7-7 of the CGS remove the items to a referendum vote to be held on Wednesday, May 10, 2017 from 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Sterling Municipal Building Gym, 1183 Plainfield Pike, Oneco, CT.

d. Consider & Act on School Bus Bids: R. Gray reported that Josh McLeod, Town Mechanic is reviewing the bids. L. Cooper made a motion, seconded by J. Firlik to table this item to the next meeting. All voted in favor of the motion.

e. 1114 Plainfield Pike, LLC: R. Gray reported that he has not heard back from Louis Magiera regarding the right of reverter for property located at 1114 Plainfield Pike (old Town Hall). There is no reason for the Town to continue maintaining the property. The Town also owns, 1110 Plainfield Pike, previously occupied by Salon 41 and if the Town allows the right of reverter to revert back to 1114 Plainfield Pike, LLC, then the side door entrance for 1110 Plainfield Pike, currently being rented by Karen Therrien, for massage therapy, will not have access. D. Sorrentino, Zoning Enforcement Officer stated that an easement could be granted or the property line could be modified. J. Firlik made a motion, seconded by L. Cooper to table this item to the next meeting. All voted in favor of the motion.

New Business:

a. Consider & Act on Northeastern Connecticut Council of Governments (NECCOG) Paramedic Intercept Services Contract with the Town of Sterling: L. Cooper made a motion, seconded by J. Firlik to authorize the First Selectman to sign the Paramedic Intercept Services Contract on behalf of the Town of Sterling. All voted in favor of the motion.

Any Other Business: R. Gray reported that the Grange is recognizing the milestone achieved by Edith Remington for her eighty (80) years of continuous membership in any organization. Not only has Edith been an active Grange member, she volunteers at the Line Baptist Church, American Legion, and Veteran Hospitals, as well as serving as a 4H leader for many years. R. Gray made a motion, seconded by L. Cooper to present E. Remington with a proclamation on behalf of the Board of Selectmen and declare Sunday, May 7, 2017 as Edith Remington Day in the Town of Sterling. All voted in favor of the motion.

Adjournment: J. Firlik made a motion, seconded by L. Cooper, to adjourn 6:19 p.m. All voted in favor of the motion.

Attest: _____

Joyce A. Gustavson, Recording Secretary