

June 14, 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.

Also present-Betsy Chamberland.

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 6/7/2017 meeting minutes as presented. All voted in favor of the motion.

Unfinished Business:

a. Update Employee Handbook: R. Gray reported that he would like to have a motion to remove this item from the agenda to a later date. L. Cooper made a motion, seconded by J. Firlik to remove the updates to the employee handbook from the agenda to a later date. All voted in favor of the motion.

New Business:

a. Request for Refund of Excess Tax Payments: J. Firlik made a motion, seconded by L. Cooper to approve the following refund request: Terry A. Griffin, 254 River Road, Sterling, CT 06377-1908 for \$105.01. All voted in favor of the motion.

b. Consider & Act on 2017-2018 Proposed Rate Schedule: The proposed pay rates for FY 2017-2018 was presented and reviewed. J. Firlik made a motion, seconded by L. Cooper to approve the pay rates for FY 2017-2018 as presented. All voted in favor of the motion.

c. 8-24 Referral for the Potential Sale of the RP Jordan Center, 50 Main Street, Sterling: R. Gray reported he received a memo dated 6/12/2017 from Patricia Ball, Economic Development Coordinator requesting a referral from the Board of Selectmen to the Planning & Zoning Commission for an 8-24 review of the RP Jordan Center located at 50 Main Street, Sterling. Raymond Weidele, owner of Weidele's Pizza & Pub is interested in purchasing the RP Jordan Center to relocate his business. The appraised value of this parcel is \$275,000. Mr. Weidele is looking to trade back \$64,000 that was used to purchase half of the Revere Site located at 390 Sterling Road, Sterling. L. Cooper made a motion, seconded by J. Firlik to refer the 8-24 Referral for the potential sale of the RP Jordan Center, 50 Main Street, Sterling to the Planning and Zoning Commission for review. All voted in favor of the motion.

Any Other Business: R. Gray reported that a few weeks ago there was a grease bubble at 10 Main Street, formerly the Revere Site. The Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) came to the site and instructed the Town to dig a six (6) foot by six (6) foot square hole and cover the area with sand, stake the perimeter of the contaminated area and check that it does not spread beyond the marked area. On 6/13/2017, Benjamin Stephens, Emergency Response Coordinator II of the Bureau of Materials Management & Compliance Assurance Emergency Response and Spill Prevention Division of the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) walked the site with R. Gray and instructed the Town to dig a four (4) foot hole, removing the contaminated soil and refill with clean subsoil. An environmental group will come and take the contaminated soil to an approved incinerator site. The anticipated cost is +/- \$4,000.

Adjournment: L. Cooper made a motion, seconded by J. Firlik, to adjourn 6:21 p.m. All voted in favor of the motion.

Attest: _____
Joyce A. Gustavson, Recording Secretary