

November 7, 2018

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.

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

Audience of Citizens: None.

Approval of Minutes: L. Cooper made a motion, seconded by J. Firlik to approve the 10/17/2018 meeting minutes with the following correction: Under New Business, item c. Karolyn Jordan...instead of..."Karolyn Johnson". All voted in favor of the motion.

Unfinished Business:

a. Commission Vacancies (Inland Wetland & Watercourses Commission, Family Day Committee, Economic Development Commission, and Planning & Zoning Commission): L. Cooper reported that Family Day has a couple of individuals interested in joining the committee and J. Gustavson reported that Kim Barnett has expressed interest in joining the Planning and 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.

New Business:

a. Request of Refund of Excess Tax Payments: J. Firlik made a motion, seconded by L. Cooper to approve the request of refunds to: 1) Victor R. Major, 96 Valley View Road, Sterling, CT 06377-1416 for \$79.78; 2) Toyota Lease Trust, 20 Commerce Way, Suite 800, Woburn, MA 01801-1057 for \$343.50; and 3) USB Leasing Lt, 1850 Osborn Avenue, Oshkosh, WI 54902-6197 for \$479.10. All voted in favor of the motion.

b. Resignation of Walter Moriarty, Jr. from Planning & Zoning Commission: Heather George, Town Clerk forwarded an email to the Board of Selectmen that was addressed to the Planning and Zoning Commission dated 11/5/2018 from Walter J. Moriarty, Jr. stating in part..."that I withdraw from P&Z because of my extensive absences..." (copy on file). L. Cooper made a motion, seconded by J. Firlik to accept Walter J. Moriarty, Jr.'s resignation from the Sterling Planning & Zoning Commission with regrets. All voted in favor of the motion.

c. Consider & Act on Renewal of Existing Excavation Permit for Francis L. Strmiska, Inc. – 140 Newport Road: The Board of Selectmen received a letter dated 10/19/2018 from Jeffrey Strmiska of Francis L. Strmiska, Inc. requesting to renew their existing excavation permit for property located at 140 Newport Road. No changes shall be made to the operation. The original permit was approved on 11/6/2013. J. Firlik made a motion, seconded by L. Cooper to approve Francis L. Strmiska, Inc.'s request for a five (5) year extension to the existing excavation permit expiring on 11/7/2023. All voted in favor of the motion.

d. Request for Refund for Driveway Apron Bond #15-05 – Andrew Tetreault – 833 Margaret Henry Road: Andrew Tetreault has requested release of driveway apron bond #15-05 in the amount of \$1,500. R. Gray approved that the driveway apron has been installed properly. L. Cooper made a motion, seconded by J. Firlik to release driveway apron bond #15-05 in the amount of \$1,500 to Andrew Tetreault, 833 Margaret Henry Road, Sterling, CT 06377. All voted in favor of the motion.

e. Consider & Act on Re-appointment of Richard McGarry, Robert McLevy, and John Baccarie to (3 yr. term expiring 11/8/2021) to Energy Committee: L. Cooper made a motion, seconded by J. Firlik to re-appoint Richard McGarry, 143 Sawmill Hill Road, Sterling, CT 06377, Robert McLevy, 36 Miller Road, Sterling, CT 06377, and John Baccarie, 34 Ledge Hill Road, Sterling, CT 06377 to a three (3) year term expiring 11/8/2021 to the Energy Committee. All voted in favor of the motion.

f. Consider & Act on Re-appointment of Dana Morrow to (3 yr. term expiring 12/1/2021) to Planning & Zoning Commission: J. Firlik made a motion, seconded by L. Cooper to re-appoint Dana Morrow, 65 Gibson Lane, Sterling, CT 06377 to a three (3) year term expiring 12/1/2021 to the Planning & Zoning Commission. All voted in favor of the motion.

g. Consider & Act on 2019 Schedule of Meetings: J. Firlik made a motion, seconded by L. Cooper to approve the 2019 Meeting Schedule. All voted in favor of the motion.

Any Other Business: 1) Discussion was held regarding the paving for Church Street and Ledge Hill Road. 2) Discussion was held on repairing the roof at the Jordan Center, 50 Main Street. 3)

Madcomm Marketing and Development Contract: The Madcomm Marketing and Development contract was received from Mad Communications, LLC in the amount of \$1,200. L. Cooper made a motion, seconded by J. Firlik to renew the one (1) year annual website and maintenance retainer agreement (2 hours per month) at an annual rate of \$1,200 to Madcomm Marketing and Development, 56 William Drive, East Hampton, CT 06424. All voted in favor of the motion.

Adjournment: L. Cooper made a motion, seconded by J. Firlik to adjourn at 6:44 p.m. All voted in favor of the motion.

Attest: _____
Joyce A. Gustavson, Recording Secretary