January 20, 2021

The meeting of the Sterling Board of Selectmen was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Selectmen present-Lincoln Cooper and Peter Rabbitt.

Staff present-Joyce Gustavson.

<u>Pledge of Allegiance</u>: Everyone stood to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

Audience of Citizens: None.

<u>Approval of Minutes:</u> P. Rabbitt made a motion, seconded by L. Cooper to approve the 1/13/2021 meeting minutes as presented. All voted in favor of the motion.

<u>Correspondence:</u> L. Cooper reported that he received a letter dated 1/13/2021 from Christopher Sandford, Head of School, of The Woodstock Academy, stating, "On behalf of the Woodstock Academy Board of Trustees and the Administration, I want to express our deepest condolences on the passing of First Selectman, Russell Gray. Deborah Sharpe, who teaches social studies here at the Academy, was First Selectman Gray's daughter". "In part...To honor his memory, we have made a donation in her name to the *The Academy Fund* which is a fund that benefits each and every Academy student" (copy on file).

Unfinished Business:

Commission Vacancies (Inland Wetland & Watercourses Commission, Northeast District Department of Health, Planning & Zoning Commission, Water Pollution Control Authority, and Zoning Board of Appeals): P. Rabbitt made a motion, seconded by L. Cooper to table this item to the next meeting as there are no candidates. All voted in favor of the motion. New Business:

- **a. Approval of Bills:** L. Cooper made a motion, seconded by P. Rabbitt to approve the bills for 1/14/2021 in the amount of \$54,888.50. All voted in favor of the motion.
- **b.** Consider & Act on Filling the Vacancy of Selectman: P. Rabbitt made a motion, seconded by L. Cooper to table this item to the next meeting. All voted in favor of the motion.
- c. Consider & Act on Appointment of Lincoln Cooper to the Safety Committee: P. Rabbitt made a motion, seconded by L. Cooper to appoint Lincoln Cooper to fill the vacancy created by the untimely death of Russell Gray to the Safety Committee. All voted in favor of the motion.

 Any Other Business to Come Before the Board of Selectmen: P. Rabbitt made a motion, seconded by L. Cooper to hold a special meeting on Thursday, 1/28/2021 at 9:00 a.m. at the Sterling Municipal Building, Room #15, 1183 Plainfield Pike, Oneco to act and consider filling the vacancy of Selectman.

Adjournment: P. Rabbitt made a motion, seconded by L. Cooper to adjourn at 6:09 p.m. All voted in favor of the motion.

Attest:	
	Joyce A. Gustavson, Recording Secretary