

February 2, 2022

The meeting of the Sterling Board of Selectmen was called to order at 6:00 p.m.  
Selectmen present-Lincoln Cooper and David Shippee. Selectman absent-Jack Joslyn.  
Staff present-Joyce Gustavson.

Also present-Harry Heller and Frank Bood.

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

Audience of Citizens: 1) Frank Bood discussed with the Board of Selectmen the possibility of increasing the Economic Development Coordinator's hours stating that the job cannot physically be done in six (6) hours. This request is a necessity not a want that he would like the Board to consider. 2) F. Bood discussed Public Act No. 21-29 – Substitute House Bill No. 6107 addressing in-law apartments. If a municipality fails to adopt new regulations or amend existing regulations by 1/1/2023 any noncompliant existing regulation shall become null and void. A municipality has the option of opting out of the provision. This item would need to go before the Planning and Zoning Commission and the Board of Selectmen followed by a public hearing and Town meeting. Harry Heller stated that the Town of Montville has decided to opt out.

D. Shippee made a motion, seconded by L. Cooper to move New Business, Item e. before Approval of Minutes. All voted in favor of the motion.

New Business:

**e. Request by Heller, Heller & McCoy for Ninety (90) Day Extension by American Industries, Inc. for Property Located at 609 Sterling Road (Owner: Grace Harriot Roberts):** The Board of Selectmen received a letter from Harry Heller of Heller, Heller & McCoy dated 1/17/2022 requesting a ninety (90) day extension of time to file the endorsed mylars for American Industries, Inc. for property located at 609 Sterling Road, Owner: Grace Harriot Roberts. H. Heller stated they are waiting for the schematics from F. A. Hesketh & Associates, Inc. for the advanced warning system. D. Shippee made a motion, seconded by L. Cooper to grant an extension to 5/16/2022 for American Industries, Inc. to file the endorsed mylars for 609 Sterling Road. All voted in favor of the motion.

Approval of Minutes: D. Shippee made a motion, seconded by L. Cooper to approve the 1/12/2022 meeting minutes as presented. All voted in favor of the motion.

Correspondence: L. Cooper reported that he received a letter from Cale Carnot, Assistant Vice President of American Industries, Inc., dated 1/13/2022 regarding the repair work and payment for asphalt paving on Jared Hall Hill Road, Margaret Henry Road, and Snake Meadow Hill Road. American Industries, Inc. has agreed to provide the Town a five (5) percent credit for unsatisfactory work as well as repair the previously installed patch on Margaret Henry Road (copy on file). D. Shippee stated that the paving was finished in early November and there is a pothole on Margaret Henry Road.

Unfinished Business:

**a. Commission Vacancies (Economic Development Commission, Inland Wetland & Watercourses Commission, Planning & Zoning Commission, Water Pollution Control Authority, and Zoning Board of Appeals):** J. Gustavson reported that an appointment to the Water Pollution Control Authority shall be made later tonight. L. Cooper made a motion, seconded by D. Shippee to table this item to the next meeting as there are no other candidates. All voted in favor of the motion.

New Business Cont'd.:

**a. Approval of Bills:** D. Shippee made a motion, seconded by L. Cooper to approve the bills for 1/27/2022 in the amount of \$607,351.34 and 2/2/2022 in the amount of \$16,687.82. All voted in favor of the motion.

**b. Resignation of Robert McLevy from Energy Committee:** L. Cooper reported that the Board of Selectmen received a resignation letter from Robert McLevy dated 1/24/2022 stating, "I have

received your renewed appointment to the Sterling Energy Committee. I appreciate this acknowledge by the Board of Selectmen but regret that I choose not to remain on the Energy Committee due to other obligations". D. Shippee made a motion, seconded by L. Cooper to accept Robert McLevy's resignation effective immediately with regrets. All voted in favor of the motion.

**c. Consider & Act on Appointment of Jack Joslyn (2 yr. term expiring 3/4/2022) to Water Pollution Control Authority:** D. Shippee made a motion, seconded by L. Cooper to appoint Jack Joslyn, 209 Harris Road, Sterling, CT 06377 to a two (2) year term expiring 3/4/2022 to the Water Pollution Control Authority. All voted in favor of the motion.

**d. Consider & Act on Request from Economic Development Coordinator for Consent to Market 11.7 Acres for Property Located at 0 Plainfield Pike, Map 00IOV, Block 022, Lot 059A:**

D. Shippee made a motion, seconded by L. Cooper to grant consent to the Economic Development Coordinator to hire a realtor to market 11.7 acres for property located at 0 Plainfield Pike, Map 00IOV, Block 022, Lot 059A. All voted in favor of the motion.

Any Other Business to Come Before the Board of Selectmen: None.

Adjournment: D. Shippee made a motion, seconded by L. Cooper to adjourn at 6:35 p.m. All voted in favor of the motion.

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Joyce A. Gustavson, Recording Secretary