January 18, 2023

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

Selectmen present: Lincoln Cooper, David Shippee and Jack Joslyn

Staff present: Sherri A. Soucy

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

Audience of Citizens: public in attendance

<u>Approval of Minutes:</u> D. Shippee made a motion, seconded by J. Joslyn to approve the 1/11/2023 meeting minutes. All voted in favor of the motion.

<u>Correspondence</u>: There was no correspondence.

Unfinished Business:

a. Commission Vacancies (Energy Committee, Family Day, Inland Wetland & Watercourses

Commission, Recreation Authority Board, and Zoning Board of Appeals): D. Shippee made a motion, seconded by J. Joslyn to table this item to the next meeting as there are no candidates. All voted in favor of the motion.

b. Discussion Regarding Resident Trooper Program: D. Shippee met with the Selectman in Chaplin. The cost was roughly \$207,000.00 per year and this was for the 2020/21 year. The town of Chaplin Selectman could not find the current rate that the town is paying. The Town of Sterling could possibly look at a price of \$250,000 to start with. Linc reported to the board that he met with Plainfield and they are still working on numbers for the Town of Sterling. The coverage would be 3 officers for 24 /7 days of week. There will more discussion on this topic when more data comes before the board. New Business:

a. Approval of Bills: D. Shippee made a motion, seconded by J. Joslyn to approve bills in the amount of \$111,187.75. All voted in favor of the motion.

b. Treasurer's Monthly Report: The Reports were handed out to the board for review.

Any Other Business to Come Before the Board of Selectmen: D. Shippee made a motion to amend the agenda to include a request for Driveway Apron Bond #22-04-HC Rose Contractors, Inc.-15 Old Greenwich Road. J. Joslyn seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion.

a. Request for Driveway Apron Bond #22-04 – HC Rose Contractors, Inc. – 15 Old Greenwich Road: Henry Rose of HC Rose Contractors, Inc. has requested release of driveway apron bond #22-04 in the amount of \$1,500.00. L. Cooper reported the driveway apron has been properly installed. D. Shippee made a motion, seconded by J. Joslyn to release driveway apron bond #22-04 in the amount of \$1,500.00 to HC Rose Contractors, Inc., 3748 Flat River Rd., Coventry, RI. 02816. All voted in favor of the motion.

A letter of resignation from Robert McLevy from the Sterling Inland Wetlands Commission was given at the Board of Selectmen's meeting. D. Shippee made a motion, seconded by J. Joslyn to accept the resignation from Robert McLevy with regret. All voted in favor of the motion.

<u>Adjournment:</u> J. Joslyn made a motion, seconded by D. Shippee to adjourn at 6:24 p.m. All voted in favor of the motion.