

## **Board of Selectmen's Meeting – October 10, 2023 (Approved minutes)**

Robert McGarry called the meeting to order at 6:34 pm at the Town Hall, 21 Field Park Drive, Haddam CT 06438

Kate Anderson was present. Sean Moriarty was absent.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**Approval of Agenda:** Anderson made a motion to approve the Agenda. No discussion. Motion carried unanimously.

### **Approval of Minutes:**

**September 11, 2023:** Anderson made a motion to approve the September 11, 2023, minutes. No discussion. Motion carried unanimously.

**Public Comment: Residents asked if they can comment after Neal Perron makes his presentation to the Board. McGarry agreed to allow public comment after the presentation on that topic only. No other comments were made at this time.**

**Selectman's Update:** Attached as Schedule I

**Anderson:** River Days on 10/1 - Thank you to everyone who made that happen.

This Saturday, October 14<sup>th</sup> is our last Farmer's Market

Grim's Haunted House: Grim's Haunted House will start on Friday, October 27<sup>th</sup> – October 29<sup>th</sup> from 6pm – 9pm. The Fall Festival is Saturday October 28<sup>th</sup> from 5pm – 8pm at Haddam Elementary School.

Holiday Pop-Up Market is coming back this year at HES. Features a lot of local vendors.

Tree lighting hosted by Tylerville Merchants on December 1<sup>st</sup>

**Board of Education Update:** Attached as Schedule II.

Anderson commented that the next community outreach meeting is November 16<sup>th</sup>. It is encouraged everyone attend. It will be held at the High School. They are proposing a large increase in their budget. Please attend these meetings.

**Tax Refunds:** Anderson made a motion to accept the October 2023 Tax Refunds in the amount of \$3,138.07. No discussion. Motion carried unanimously. (Attached as Schedule III)

### **New Business:**

**Appoint Aristeia Kinney to Economic Development Commission:** Anderson made a motion to appoint Aristeia Kinney to the Economic Development Commission. No discussion. Motion carried unanimously.

**Approval of Tylerville Business Interruption Loan Program Applications:** Anderson made a motion to approve the following Business Interruption Grant Applications with the terms and conditions recommended at the October 4, 2023, Special Economic Development Commission (Attached as Schedule IV): No discussion. Motion carried unanimously.

| <b>Business</b>                          | <b>Amount</b> | <b>Month(s)</b>     |
|--|---------------|---------------------|
| Oh Fudge                                 | \$15,000      | June, July & August |
| Subway/JK Bridge Group Inc.              | \$13,586      | June, July & August |
| Rivers Edge Home Center/J&L Milardo, LLC | \$9,889       | July & August       |
| Tony's Package Store                     | \$15,000      | June, July & August |
| River Valley Provisions                  | \$15,000      | June, July & August |

**Old Business: Presentation by Neal Perron re: Injun Hollow Road Name Change:** Perron presented to the Board on changing the name of Injun Hollow Road. (Attached as Schedule V)

**Public Comment:** R. Thurston Clark, 115 Injun Hollow Road: Commented on the road name change hardships. (Attached as Schedule VI)

Wayne Hilt: 176 Injun Hollow Road: stated he would need to have his business information changed which will cost him time and money. Suggests the town leave the name the same.

Peter Smith: Has land on Injun Hollow Road. He visited the Post Master and asked about the process. He asked “what if no-one changes the name” the post master answered – you will still get your mail. He recognizes that “Injun” is a derogatory term and agrees it should be changed.

Neal Perron: 167 Injun Hollow Road: stated he went to the vault and saw the name of the road was “Injun Hollow” in 1954.

Patty Pytlik: 291 Imjun Hollow Road: she will not be in town in November. It is recommended to send an email to McGarry and he will share with the other selectman.

McGarry stated he is planning on having a meeting at the Haddam Neck Firehouse on November 14<sup>th</sup> to make it easy for the Haddam Neck residents to attend.

**Next Meeting date/place:** The next meeting is scheduled for **Monday, November 13, 2023, at 6:30 pm** and will be held at the Town Hall, 21 Field Park Drive, Haddam CT 06438.

**Adjournment:** Anderson made a motion to adjourn. No discussion. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:08 pm. Minutes taken by JoAnn Ricciardelli

## October 10, 2023 - Board of Selectmen Meeting - Schedule I

### **BOS Meeting Selectman's Update 2023-10-10**

#### **Projects**

- Rossi Property
  - Bill Warner and I met with the potential developer and reviewed his latest proposed plan. It includes some housing. He'll revise and we'll meet again.
- Scovil Hoe
  - Parker Benjamin has signed a lease with CT Wedding Group for the complex. They have sites in NJ and CT. They intend to sublet space in the buildings to a mix of businesses as approved in the special permit issued to PB. Projected move-in date no later than Apr 1, 2025.
- HES
  - Antinozzi Associates conducted interviews with town employees to assess space needs.
  - RFP responses from developers due next Tuesday.
  - Bill Warner and I met with Phil Barlow, FHI Studios, to review preliminary playscape design.
- Swing Bridge
  - This will be a tough year for our Tylerville businesses. Please patronize them.
  - CT DECD, Middlesex Chamber of Commerce (Middlesex County Revitalization Commission), Irene Haines (East Haddam) & I are working on "Bridge Bucks" a coupon program for affected businesses. The program will offer \$10 coupons reimbursed by DECD for future purchases.
  - The 63-hour closure schedule has changed. The remaining closure periods are 10/22-25, 11/5-8 (includes Election Day) and 11/12-15. 1 previously scheduled closure was eliminated.
  - Openings times for vessels has changed for Friday, Saturday and Sunday. The 6:00 p.m. opening has been discontinued. A 9:00 opening has been substituted.
- Tylerville Water
- Private Projects
  - Ribbon cutting for the Paramount Wellness Center tomorrow at noon.
- Road work
  - Drainage – Upper Weise Albert, Sima, Jackson Rd, Crap Apple Lane
  - 2 wash outs repaired in Haddam Neck
  - St Peters Lane, Scovil Hoe Rd bridges scheduled to be paved Friday

#### **Personnel**

- Sarah Chambers hired to fill PT Social Services Assistant. 15 hrs/week. Starts tomorrow.
- FD Assistant interviews scheduled for Oct 19<sup>th</sup>.

#### **Other**

- Dog seizure on Bridge Rd end of Sept. Complex case involving dogs from other CT towns, Redding, being housed for "training". CSP taking the lead due to potential criminal charges.

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## **Summary of September 2023 RSD17 Board of Education Meeting**

### **Cougar Pride**

HKHS Principal Donna Hayward and Athletic Director Lynn Flynt introduced and the Board recognized HKHS Baseball Coach Mark Brookes and his team, who won the state championship last Spring. Several 2023 graduates returned home to be at the meeting with their former coach.

Athletic Director Flint shared the following HKHS Athletic Achievements from the 2022/23 academic year:

- 2 Shoreline Championship teams: Girls Cross Country and Boys Lacrosse
- 2 State Championship teams: Girls Cross Country and Boys Baseball
- 1 All-American Gymnast
- 1 All-New England Athlete-track
- 12 All-State Athletes
- 2 SCC Boys Swimmers of the Year

### **Superintendent's Report**

The Superintendent provided an update on transportation and noted that STA was able to retain the order of the pickup and drop-off of Haddam Neck students (at their regular stops) regardless of bridge closures to keep the routes consistent. The completion of the bridge project is projected to be in early November.

Superintendent Wihbey reported the following Department and School updates:

- The High School is pleased to announce ten junior class members were awarded *the National Rural and Small Town Award* for their excellent performance on the PSAT.
- Through state funding, breakfast and lunch will be provided free of charge to all students who qualify for reduced lunch.
- A licensed social worker began at HKHS and HKIMS as part of the three-year state mental health grant.
- HKHS athletic fields are sodded and ready for the Fall season, the Cougar Café refrigerator has been replaced, and a new Kiln for the Art Department has been installed.
- RSD 17 will launch the Frontline online professional growth module for evaluation documents this year.

## **High School Graduation Presentation**

HKHS Principal Donna Hayward presented the outcomes analysis for the Class of 2023 and noted trends for this year include a slight increase in the percentage of students choosing to continue their formal education after HKHS. The acceptance rate overall also increased, although there was a decrease in the percentage of applications sent to “Most Competitive” colleges compared to the Class of 2022. STEM-related fields and Business were the students’ leading intended majors, which is a shift from the historically more popular “health sciences.” Principal Hayward also noted that she is monitoring the number of students in each graduating class pursuing careers in education.

## **Master Plan**

A great deal of work has been done to move forward with the Master Plan, including Board workshops and multiple opportunities for public input. Tecton representative Jeff Wyszynski presented at the third Community Conversation to a small but involved audience. The Boards of Education, Finance, and Selectmen met for a presentation and joint meeting on the various options for the Master Plan and had a productive discussion. The Board of Education will present a more specific plan to the town Boards at a joint meeting on November 2<sup>nd</sup>.

The RSD #17 Board of Education welcomes Haddam and Killingworth residents to stay up-to-date with District information by signing up for email updates. Monthly updates will include Board Meeting Summaries, Occasional Surveys, Information on Annual Budgets, and Referendums. Sign up at: <https://www.rsd17.org/community/haddam-and-killingworth-alerts>

## **Owner’s Representative RFP**

The Board approved the Superintendent hiring an Owner’s Representative to guide the District in the pre-referendum phase of the Master Plan process. The cost of this representative is not to exceed \$35,000.

## **ON OUR WEBSITE:**

The RSD 17 Master Plan Information is available on the website under the District Facilities menu option [RSD 17 Facilities Study and Master Planning Website](#). Email [masterplan@rsd17.org](mailto:masterplan@rsd17.org) with any questions regarding RSD17's Master Plan project.

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| <u>Last Name</u>        | <u>Bill Number</u> | <u>Amount</u> | <u>Prior/Current</u> |
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| <b>Real Estate (01)</b> |                    |               |                      |

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**Personal Property (02)**

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**Total:** **\$0.00**

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| <b>Motor Vehicle (03)</b> |               |          |         |
| petrillo, jennifer        | 2022-03-57361 | \$553.44 | current |
| keithen laurie            | 2022-03-54766 | \$12.76  | current |
| vcfs auto lease           | 2022-03-59539 | \$762.78 | current |
| marino, gary              | 2022-03-55827 | \$45.58  | current |
| condie, susan             | 2022-03-51960 | \$41.06  | current |
| latouche tracy            | 2022-03-55247 | \$17.66  | current |
| spong, barbara            | 2021-03-58559 | \$85.15  | prior   |
| sosnowski, matthew        | 2022-03-58719 | \$19.93  | current |
| kasik, patricia           | 2021-03-54631 | \$13.06  | prior   |
| chase auto                | 2022-03-54630 | \$664.06 | current |
| pratt, perry              | 2022-03-57531 | \$88.12  | current |
| vcfs auto lease           | 2022-03-59537 | \$175.19 | current |
| karpiej, monika           | 2022-03-54718 | \$149.97 | current |
| karpiej, monika           | 2022-03-54719 | \$20.78  | current |
| gasparini richard         | 2022-03-53312 | \$119.45 | current |
| CASSIDY, CARY             | 2021-03-51578 | \$53.34  | PRior   |
| peck, lindamae            | 2022-03-57248 | \$80.83  | current |
| hurd, kyle                | 2022-03-54365 | \$120.88 | current |
| coney, thomas             | 2022-03-51966 | \$114.03 | current |

**Total** **\$3,138.07**

**Motor Vehicle Supplement (04)**

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**Total:** **\$0.00**

**Grand Total:** **\$3,138.07**

October 10, 2023 - Board of Selectmen Meeting - Schedule IV

**TOWN OF HADDAM  
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION  
FORMER HADDAM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
MULTI-PURPOSE ROOM  
272 SAYBROOK ROAD, HIGGANUM, CT 06441  
SPECIAL MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, 4 OCTOBER 2023  
UNAPPROVED MINUTES  
*Subject to Approval by the Commission***

**ATTENDANCE**

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| X | Kate Anderson, Chairman                     |
| A | Kristy Benson Amarante                      |
| X | Curtis Browne (EDC and Subcommittee Member) |
| A | Cortney Emshwiller Swokla                   |
| X | Mike Farina (EDC and Subcommittee Member)   |
| A | Mike Karam                                  |
| X | David Law                                   |
| X | John Pember (EDC and Subcommittee Member)   |
| X | Doreen Staskelunas, Secretary               |
| X | Bill Warner, AICP, Town Planner             |
| X | Bunny Hall Batzner, Recording Clerk         |

**1. Call to Order**

Ms. Anderson, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**2. Pledge of Allegiance**

Tabled.

**3. Approval of Agenda**

Ms. Anderson stated as this was a special meeting, the agenda could not be changed.

**MOTION:** Mike Farina motioned to approve the 4 October 2023 special meeting agenda as submitted. Doreen Staskelunas second. Motion carried unanimously.

**4. Public Comment**

There was no public in attendance.

**5. Approval of Subcommittee Recommendations for Tylerville Business Interruption Loan Program Applications**

Ms. Anderson thanked everyone for accommodating the meeting and recognizing that the Commission is moving quickly along to help the Tylerville businesses.

Ms. Anderson stated the subcommittee had met under executive session to review the applications thoroughly and to allow all confidential information to remain so. The subcommittee's recommendations for approval were reviewed.

Mr. Warner distributed a list of the motions made by the subcommittee after they came out of executive session to approve the different businesses requests. Mr. Warner noted that this matter will be referred to the Board of Selectmen (BOS). Ms. Anderson noted due to the holiday, the BOS will not meet until Tuesday, 10 October 2023

After reading the motion pertaining to Oh Fudge, Mr. Browne noted that the collateral has been approved. Prior to the vote, Mr. Warner stated the applicant is eligible for \$5,000 a month and their loss in three months has exceeded \$15,000. Mr. Law asked if the loan agreement is the Town's collateral. Mr. Warner stated the Town Attorney will provide an agreement that will outline the funds provided by the Town and what the applicant needs to do in return.

**MOTION:** Curtis Browne motioned to approve business interruption grant application submitted by Oh Fudge, 1588 Saybrook Road, in the amount of \$15,000 for the months of June, July, and August with the condition: 1. Execution of a loan agreement prepared by the Town Attorney with collateral as deemed sufficient. Doreen Staskelunas second. Motion carried unanimously.

Prior to the vote on the motion for Syed Sami/Ayesha Gas Station, Mrs. Staskelunas asked what information the subcommittee/Town would be waiting for. Mr. Warner stated no type of collateral was proposed, the application was incomplete, and it has been indicated that there are no additional business locations; however, there is significant information to the contrary and further discussion with the applicant is required. Mr. Law asked if there's a time limit, such as 30 days, to table a decision. Mr. Warner stated the applicant will be contacted tomorrow (Thursday, 5 October 2023). Mr. Warner advised the Commission that they and the subcommittee will have to come back again for the September and October losses. Mrs. Staskelunas asked if this applicant would be receiving any funding at this time. Mr. Warner stated no.

**MOTION:** Curtis Browne motioned to table business interruption grant application submitted by Syed Sami/Ayesha Gas Station, 1627 Saybrook Road, awaiting further information. Doreen Staskelunas second. Motion carried unanimously.

There was no discussion regarding the Subway/JK Bridge Group LLC application.

**MOTION:** Curtis Browne motioned to approve business interruption grant application submitted by Subway/JK Bridge Group LLC, 106 Bridge Road, in the amount of \$13,586 for the months of June, July, and August with the conditions: 1. Sales tax reports be submitted and 2. A loan agreement prepared by the Town Attorney is executed with collateral as deemed sufficient. Kate Anderson second. Motion carried unanimously.

Prior to the vote on Rivers Edge Home Center/J&L Milardo, LLC, Ms. Anderson asked if they did not want to apply for June. Mr. Warner stated their accountant did not submit a request for June and Mrs. Milardo has been contacted regarding the matter (she will be contacting her accountant). Mr. Warner stated Mrs. Milardo can include June, if needed, when she applies for September and October.

**MOTION:** Curtis Browne motioned to approve business interruption grant application submitted by Rivers Edge Home Center/J&L Milardo, LLC, 100 Bridge Road, in the amount of \$9,889 for the months of July and August with the condition: 1. A loan agreement prepared by the Town Attorney is executed with collateral as deemed sufficient. Mike Farina second. Motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Staskelunas asked what Middlesex County Revitalization Commission's award was. Mr. Warner stated they have not heard what the formal award was, noting that Bob McGarry, First Selectmen, is on that committee, but the maximum amount is \$25,000 and the Town is giving \$20,000. Therefore, if the applicant received \$20,000 from Middlesex County, the Town would not provide them with a loan unless they have losses exceeding \$25,000 then the Town would make up the difference.



**MOTION:** Curtis Browne motioned to approve a business interruption grant application submitted by Tony's Package Store, 95 Bridge Road, in the amount of \$15,000 for the months of June, July and August with the conditions: 1. A letter is submitted from accountant certifying the losses, 2. Execution of a loan agreement prepared by the Town Attorney with collateral as deemed sufficient, and 3. Adjustment of loan amount based on award from the Middlesex County Revitalization Commission as necessary. John Pember second. Motion carried unanimously.

Prior to the vote on River Valley Provisions, Mr. Law noted that the explanation is the same as the previous matter. There was no further discussion.

**MOTION:** Curtis Browne motioned to approve a business interruption grant application submitted by River Valley Provisions, 95 Bridge Road, in the amount of \$15,000 for the months of June, July and August with the conditions: 1. A letter is submitted from accountant certifying the losses, 2. Execution of a loan agreement prepared by the Town Attorney with collateral as deemed sufficient, and 3. Adjustment of loan amount based on award from the Middlesex County Revitalization Commission as necessary. John Pember second. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Browne read a motion of the subcommittee – *“Motion to refer business interruption grant application submitted by Town and Country, 1036 Saybrook Road, to the full Economic Development Committee for a waiver in accordance with Part 1 C of the Business Interruption Guidelines”* - asking EDC to consider providing a waiver to Town and Country.

Mr. Warner stated although Town and Country is outside the Tylerville Village District Zone, they applied for funding. Mr. Warner also stated the guidelines allow for the full EDC to grant a waiver if an applicant can prove that their losses are because of the bridge closure. Mr. Warner stated after the executive session, the subcommittee discussed the potential slippery slope of letting businesses in that are not within the Tylerville District; however, the guidelines do allow an applicant an opportunity to specifically show that they have lost funding due to the bridge closure.

Mr. Pember asked if the Commission could discuss what Town and Country may receive. Mr. Warner stated it would be best not to; and if the Commission were to approve the waiver, then the subcommittee would hold another executive session and vote on an application at that time.

For clarification, Ms. Anderson asked if the subcommittee's motion is asking EDC to approve a waiver for Town and Country as their application hasn't been reviewed at this time. Mr. Warner stated the motion is whether the Commission agrees to waive the guidelines for a business that is not within the Tylerville Village District.

Mr. Law stated the slippery slope is how many other businesses could be affected and apply. Mr. Pember stated anyone else outside of the district cannot apply because the deadline has passed. Mr. Farina stated the subcommittee did discuss this matter at length. Mrs. Staskelunas asked if there were any other businesses south of Bridge Road. A brief discussion followed.

Mr. Browne stated one of the notes on the application was the number of deliveries to clients on the East Haddam side. Ms. Anderson asked if the waiver had been drafted yet, what it would specifically say. Mr. Warner stated that EDC has the ability to waive the regulations to allow businesses outside of the Tylerville Village District to apply if they can demonstrate a loss due to the bridge closure. Mr. Warner clarified that the motion Mr. Browne read was a motion made by the subcommittee to EDC; and that a separate motion to waive the guidelines should be made by the Commission.

**MOTION:** David Law motioned to provide a waiver in accordance with Part 1C of the Tylerville Business Interruption Loan Program to Town and Country, 1036 Saybrook Road. Doreen Staskelunas second. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Browne referred the following motion made by the subcommittee – “*Motion to refer late submission of business interruption grant application submitted by Citgo, 1598 Saybrook Road, to the full Economic Development Committee and the Board of Selectman for a waiver in accordance with Part 2 C Waiver of Policy of the Business Interruption Guidelines*” - to the Commission for a vote.

Mr. Warner stated the policy outlines that applications would only be accepted during the month of September and this application came in late (received 2 October 2023). Mr. Warner noted that 29 September 2023 was a Friday and the office closed at noon; however, the applicant did not say he tried to submit on Friday only that he did not get the numbers on time. Mr. Warner stated the question is not whether the application was received on time, it is whether the Commission wants to entertain it or not.

Mr. Warner asked if the subcommittee members had any input. Mr. Browne stated the application was received beyond the deadline and that is why there are rules. Mr. Law asked when the applicant knew the process was available to him. Mr. Warner stated the application was hand delivered and he signed off on it on 25 August 2023. Mr. Pember stated there are approximately other 15 businesses that did not apply or did not make the deadline; therefore, if the Commission were to allow this application, it would potentially be opening the process up to the other businesses. Ms. Anderson stated a deadline is a deadline. Mr. Farina agreed noting that too much goodwill can backfire. Mr. Farina also noted that there are a core of businesses/people in Tylerville who communicate quite well

Ms. Anderson asked which gas station this was. Mr. Warner stated the business is located at the corner of Saybrook Road and Bridge Road (currently Gulf). A brief discussion followed regarding whether to make a motion regarding this matter. Mr. Warner recommended the Commission make a motion whether to accept or not to accept the application.

**MOTION:** Doreen Staskelunas motioned to not accept the application submitted by Citgo, 1598 Saybrook Road as it was submitted after the deadline. David Law second. Motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Anderson again thanked the subcommittee for their work, to the Commissioners who attended, and to Mr. Warner who spearheaded the program and helping EDC to assist the businesses along the way.

Mr. Warner stated the losses to the businesses are very significant; it's amazing how much the bridge closures have affected the businesses.

## **6. Adjournment**

**MOTION:** Doreen Staskelunas motioned to adjourn. John Pember second. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 7:27 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
*Bunny Hall Batzner*  
Bunny Hall Batzner  
Recording Clerk

**The next regular meeting is Wednesday, 11 October 2023,  
at the Community Center, 7 Candlewood Hill Road, Higganum, CT.**

## October 10, 2023 - Board of Selectmen Meeting - Schedule V

After last months board selectmans meeting regarding the petition that was giving to the board of selectman, I decided to do a poll on the Haddam neck Facebook page and I simply asked: Injun Hollow Road, keep it or change it. There were 108 responses, from those responses, 99 responded to keep the name, 9 responses to change it. On another Haddam Facebook page, a resident from haddam, also did a poll and it was asked: injun hollow rd: road keep it, change it or don't care. There were 90 responses to keep. It 10 to change it, and 3 don't care. Combing both of those polls, 189 individuals responded to keep the name Injun Hollow Road, 19 to change it and 3 don't care. Yes , on Facebook anyone can be on these pages with people that do or do not live in town.

One comment on Facebook by Jeffery Sturgis and I reached out to Jeffery asking him last night "good evening I want to check with you , are you OK if I read this statement tomorrow in the board of selectman's meeting and OK to use your name?"

Jeffery response was "sure as long as you mention it's a Facebook comment, not a prepared statement I'm having you read on my behalf"

That statement reads as follows:

"this really should be a decision isolated to those residents of that road if they want it changed, and are willing to deal with the consequences of that decision, so be it I personally think it's not worth the effort given other things in town that need attention"

During last months BOS meeting, it was asked by me regarding the petition that was handed to the first selectman

"Is it Haddam residence only or are you going to take in consideration of anyone out of town that signed it? "

The first selectman response was:

"personally I am more concerned that the closer the impact of your signature is to your impact, the more weight to me that affords. That's just my personal personally, my two fellow selectman may feel differently".

Over the past 3 1/2 weeks signatures have been gathered from those that do not want the name changed The petition that I'm presenting to the board ofselectman tonight, I filed with the town clerk today. I have also included a copy of the petition that was handed in last month as a reference, which in a moment will be explained why.

Here is a breakdown of both petitions for signatures that are closer to the impact

For the petition that was handed in last month to change the name of Injun Hollow Rd, there are 48 signatures total, two of which are on there twice, which brings the total of 46 signatures. Out of those 46, 18 live on Injun Hollow Road, and out of those 18, 9 have removed themselves from the petition for various reasons, which are documented on the copies I am also providing. These 9 individuals have crossed off their names themselves, gave reasons why they are removing themselves and initialed it. With 9 people removing themselves off the petition to change the street name, only 9 signatures remain that live on Injun Hollow Road.

The petition that I have tonight, for those that do not want the name changed. has a total of 95 signatures however, 4 of those 95 signatures are from individuals that are from out of town but do have ties for various reasons to Injun Hollow Road. Which leaves 91 signatures from those in town out of those 91, 37 signatures are from those that live Injun Hollow Road.

On injun Hollow Road, there are 28 households. This I was able to verify through haddams website with the GIS link and also confirming with the Post Office.

the 9 signatures to change Injun Hollow Road represent 5 households.

The 37 signatures to keep injun Hollow Road represents 26 of those households

The remaining two households that are not represented, 1 household their house isn't built yet, and the other household doesn't want to get involved.

I know I threw a lot of numbers out there, simply put, with those signatures with the greatest impact that live on Indian Hollow Road:

The individuals that live on injun hollow rd that want to change the road name is 9.

The individuals that live on injun hollow road that want to keep it the name Injun Hollow rd is 37

Thank you for listening and giving me the time to speak. Neal Perron.

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### Injun Hollow Road Name Change Hardships

The following are some of the senior residences on Injun Hollow Road that will experience extreme hardships as a result of a road name change. Most are on fixed incomes, so the cost associated with this change will have an impact too.

Three of the following people no longer have a car, so they'll be dependent on others to get them to DMV (Dept. of Motor Vehicles) Driver's License & Car Title; Insurance Agent (home/auto); Financial Advisor (investments); Lawyer (wills/trust/deeds/health proxies/etc.); Town of Haddam; Bank (Home Title/mortgage/home improvement loans); Social Security; Post Office (passport); etc. Then there's the institutions that can be contacted from home on the phone or with a computer: Credit cards; IRS; Banks (checking/savings/CDs). For the latter the folks below may not have a computer or have difficulty using both, so again they'll be dependent on a family member or friend to help them.

- Suzzie Olsen, 11 Injun Hollow Road, a relative of the originator of the petition. She lost her husband recently, and now she's lost her car. She will be dependent on a family member to travel to firms related to those changes.
- Carilyn Grandos, 26 Injun Hollow Road, she's now in an assisted living facility in South Windsor. She will be dependent on a family member to travel to the facility, then to firms related to those changes.
- Louise Smith, 27 Injun Hollow Road, I wouldn't anticipate her being pleased with traveling to the firms related to these changes.
- Thurston Clark, 115 Injun Hollow Road, I'm 78, and am not looking forward to the prospect of traveling to the firms related to these changes.
- Harry Nilsen, 119 Injun Hollow Road, he no longer has a car and his son is out of state so he'll be dependent on cousins and friends to travel to the firms related to this changes. At 96, he also doesn't like to travel very far or for very long from his home.

*R. Thurston Clark - Haddam Neck*