

Selectmen's Meeting – July 15, 2015

Schlag opened the meeting at 6:00 P.M. at the TH. Duval and Donlan were present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Acceptance of Minutes – July 1, Special Meeting July 2, and Special Meeting July 8th: Donlan moved to approve all of the above meetings as submitted. Approved unanimously.

Public Comments: Ed Munster questioned the BOS as to why they will not be appointing the alternate position on the BOF. Schlag stated she did not receive a letter from the Town Clerk, in writing, stating he received a letter of resignation from the previous BOF alternate. The position cannot be filled without a letter of resignation in writing. Schlag also stated the position was to be filled by a Republican. When she checked the registrars list, the proposed candidate was listed as unaffiliated. One hour before the meeting, Schlag learned the candidate was registered as a Republican as of June 17, 2015. Schlag did receive a written letter from the Town Clerk today stating he received a letter of resignation from Cheryl Haase as an alternate because she has been moved up to a full member on the BOF.

A resident asked why the BOS are now having their meetings at the TOB Conference Room. She feels that room is too small to accommodate a bigger crowd. Schlag thanked her for her opinion and stated the BOS meetings will continue to be in the conference room. If need be, the meetings can be switched to a bigger area.

Reports for June: Animal Control Officer: The ACO continues to be diligent in her work and gives very detailed reports monthly.

Municipal Agent for the Elderly: Mark Lundgren was working on an "Application Day" in August for various services, primarily energy assistance. However, due to the State not releasing the funds, this event will be postponed. The annual picnic, sponsored by the Committee on Aging was a success even though it rained and the picnic had to be moved inside. The food was excellent and catered by "A Perfect Thyme" with a make your own ice cream sundae for dessert. The money they made on the auction was given to the new "Snow Bank." Lundgren stated the Senior Center has been designated as a cooling/heating center.

Resident Troopers: The Troopers were granted a \$9,500 speed enforcement grant which will begin July 6 and continue through the rest of the month and the month of August. This grant is 100% reimbursable. They are working on a string of commercial burglaries occurring in the area. They are working with several police departments to solve these crimes. The troopers are also beginning to plan for the Haddam Neck Fair as far as security and traffic control. There were no fatalities in Haddam in June.

Appointments – Economic Development Commission: Schlag received a letter from Michael Fortuna, Chairman EDC, requesting to appoint Cindy MacNeil- Sola to the Commission for a three-year term. Schlag moved to appoint Cindy MacNeil- Sola for a three-year term to expire June 30, 2018. Approved unanimously.

Deputy Fire Marshal: Schlag moved to appoint Christopher Gamache as Deputy Fire Marshall. Chris is certified as a Fire Investigator and Fire Code Inspector. Approved unanimously.

Wetland's Commission: Schlag moved to reappoint Joe Stephens and Paul Best to the Wetland's Commission for another three-year term to expire May 1, 2018. Approved unanimously.

Brainerd Memorial Library: Schlag moved to appoint Elizabeth Anderson and Marijean Conrad to the Brainerd Memorial Library Board of Trustees, terms to expire June 30, 2018. Approved unanimously.

Old Business: None.

New Business: Schlag moved to add appointment Board of Finance alternate position to the agenda. Approved unanimously. Schlag moved to appoint Robert McGarry as an alternate on the Board of Finance, term to expire November 17, 2015 to fill the vacancy of Cheryl Haase. Approved unanimously.

Public Comments: Raul deBrigard stated the State is doing a good job on the bridge in Higganum, very organized. He also feels the speed sign by the HES is definitely slowing down people.

A resident asked about the clean-up on Dublin Hill Road (Frismars). Schlag stated the area has been cleaned of contaminated soil and the State is trucking in new soil. Hopefully, they will be done in September. They will be planting trees and putting up fencing.

A resident asked for an update on the Tylerville water issue. Schlag stated there is no news at this time. Schlag did say she is working with the Town of East Haddam for a walkway between Haddam and East Haddam.

A resident asked for the procedure regarding the BOF Alternate position. Schlag explained the process.

Duval moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:23 P.M. Approved unanimously.

Minutes taken by – Alice Zanelli