Selectmen's Meeting – January 29, 2014

Schlag opened the meeting at 7:00 P.M. at the TH. Donlan and Duval were present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Public Comments: None.

Acceptance of Minutes – January 15, 2014: Donlan moved to approve the minutes as submitted. Approved unanimously.

Tax Refunds: Schlag moved to approve the following refunds. Daniel Herrington - \$94.51 for a motor vehicle – excess payments. Sebastian V. Romano - \$118.80 for a motor vehicle – excessive payments. Sebastian V. Romano - \$53.43 for a supplemental motor vehicle – excess payments. Sharon Mulberry Wassell - \$16.54 for a motor vehicle – excess payments. All the above approved unanimously.

Appointments – Deputy Fire Marshal: Schlag contacted the Secretary of State regarding the appointment of a new Deputy Fire Marshal. After a brief discussion, Schlag moved to appoint Scott Brookes as the Deputy Fire Marshal. Approved unanimously.

Committee on Aging: At the request of the Chairman of Committee on Aging, Gloria Maynard, Schlag moved to approve the following changes. The Committee on Aging members voted at their December meeting to appoint members who are inactive or ill as honorary members.

They are Mary Arrigoni, Merle Brooks, Louise Chambers, Geraldine Marek and Edmund Vallera. Also, to add Sue DeCarli, Jackie Crysler, Marge DeBold, Mary Lou Heger, Beth Hartke, Susan Rutty, and Bob Waller as new members. All of the above for a three-year term to expire January 29, 2017. Approved unanimously.

Property Acquisition - Dish Mill Road from DEEP to Town: According to Liz Glidden, Town Planner, the CT DEEP seeks to transfer Bridge #6301 and the associated roadway to the Town of Haddam. The bridge was supposed to be conveyed to the Town many years ago as primary access to 12 lots on Skinner and Dish Mill Roads. This transfer did not occur and CT DEEP still owns the bridge. The bridge is now failing and in need of repair. CT DEEP does not have the interest or obligation to repair it. As the Town must provide access to the residents on Skinner and Dish Mill Roads and the existing bridge is failing, the town can either replace the existing bridge with a new one or the Town can take ownership of the existing DEEP Bridge #06301 and make repairs. Repairing the existing bridge is less than constructing a new one. After a brief discussion, Schlag stated she will go the DEEP for more information before the town meeting. This subject is tabled until further information is received.

Town Public Works Property to AT&T: According to Liz Glidden, Town Planner, AT&T seeks to place a push pole support to pole number #318 on Depot Road. Said pole is on property known as DPW and owned by the town. The address is 103 Depot Road. To construct the push brace an easement is needed in the amount of 3' by 20' (60 square feet) on the Town owned land. The push brace is needed for extra support to the pole as part of the proposed construction of a new bridge #00625 in Higganum slated to begin in the spring of 2015. After a brief discussion, Schlag moved to set a town meeting on February 10, 2014. Approved unanimously.

Vestibule Update at Town Office Building: Schlag stated the building official has inspected the vestibule and has a punch list of things that still need to be completed before final payment is issued.

Schlag announced there will be a Town Meeting to accept the Annual Town Report on January 30, 2014 at 7:00 P.M. at the Station #1 Firehouse.

Public Comments: Ed Schwing asked if the AT&T easement is temporary. Schlag stated she would contact AT&T before the Town Meeting to get more information.

Duval moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 P.M. Approved unanimously.

Minutes taken by – Alice Zanelli