

## **BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING – FEBRUARY 17, 2016**

First Selectman Milardo opened the meeting at 7:00 pm with Selectmen Duval and Donlan in attendance.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**Approval of Minutes:** Donlan moved to accept the February 3, 2016 minutes, second by Duval. Motion approved unanimously.

**Public Comments:** Resident Steve Bayley commented on issues related to plowing snow from driveways into the roadway, blight in town, town logo on Public Works vehicles, Facebook, bid procedures, signage at the transfer station, the building official, and the new phone system. Milardo asked Mr. Bailey to email him his concerns and she would see that they were forwarded to the proper departments.

**Correspondence:** Milardo noted a letter from Bill Cowan of the Haddam Land Trust regarding the Open Space Watershed Land Grant.

**Report:** Milardo reported the Municipal Agent for the Elderly report stated normal activity.

**Appointments:** Milardo moved to hire new Building Official. He is Gary Vivian and will begin work on February 29, 2016. Second by Donlan. Approved unanimously. A thank you should be given to the committee whose efforts in researching the Building Official position are appreciated.

Milardo motioned to add Dave Fleig as an alternate on the Economic Development Commission. Seconded by Donlan. Approved unanimously.

Milardo asked to replace long-time member Marge DeBold on the NEAC with Ed Munster. Motion by Donlan, second by Duval. Motion approved unanimously.

Milardo motioned to add Chip Frey as an alternate member of the Planning & Zoning Commission. Second by Donlan. Approved unanimously.

Milardo motioned to add Neal Perron as an alternate on the Zoning Board of Appeals. Second by Donlan. Approved unanimously.

**Refunds:** Milardo stated an error was made in a tax refund approved at the February 3, 2016 meeting. The refund to Hyundai Lease Titling was a duplicate for \$149.98. Milardo made a motion to rescind the approval. A new refund will be discussed when the paperwork is completed.

Donlan moved to approve the following tax refunds:

Robert & Carole Johnson	Real estate	\$12.79
RobertW. Grassia	Motor Vehicle	\$59.73

Second by Duval. Approved unanimously.

**Revaluation:** The Board of Selectmen is sending a letter to Benjamin Barnes, OPM, stating the revaluation for the town has been completed. Motion to approve by Duval, second by Donlan. Approved unanimously.

**Public Comments:** Attorney Bill Bowles stated the letter to OPM should state the date of the revaluation as 10/1/15 for the Grand List.

Haddam Neck Volunteer Fire Department Chief Bob McGarry asked if the email he sent regarding the fire truck bids had been received. Milardo stated her assistant is away and she will check into the email when she returns to her office.

Steve Bailey noted the Charter states Department Chairs should be in attendance at the Annual Town Meeting. Ed Munster noted the members are volunteers and it is a difficult position to enforce.

Bayley stated he thought procedures are not followed in the bid process.

Milardo thanked everyone for their comments.

Motion to adjourn at 7:25 pm by Duval, second by Donlan. Approved unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth A. Dybick  
Acting Secretary