

Board of Selectmen's Meeting – December 9, 2019 (Approved Minutes)

Robert McGarry called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm at Town Hall. 21 Field Park Drive, Haddam CT 06438

Kate Anderson and Sean Moriarty were present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Amend Agenda: Moriarty made a motion to amend the Agenda to include appointing the Assistant Director of Public Works, Street Naming Committee, Charter Revision and Appointment to CRAHD (Connecticut River Area Health District) of Haddam representative and a Board of Finance Alternate. No discussion. Motion approved unanimously.

Public Comment:

McGarry: stated that public comments are not a question and answer. It is a comment to the Board.

Munster, Ed: congratulated the new members of the Board of Selectmen and wished them well over the next two (2) years.

Perron, Neal: congratulated the new members of the Board of Selectmen. He also commented that the entrance way into the Transfer Station should be named "Gunnar Way" after the Transfer Station attendant who passed away in 2018. He also suggested, if DOT or the Town can get the bridge in the center of town to be named the "Phil Goff Memorial Bridge" along with a plaque.

Approval of Minutes: Moriarty made a motion to accept the November 12, 2019 minutes. No discussion. Motion approved unanimously.

Tax Refunds:

Motor Vehicle (03)

Emmons, George	\$17.11
Ellex, Michael	\$486.12
Ellex, Michael	\$608.20
Meyer, Lindsey	\$25.45
Brutzman, Derek	\$15.85
SCULLY, ROBERT	\$10.81
Total	\$1,163.54

Anderson made a motion to approve the December 9, 2019 Tax Refunds. No discussion. Motion approved unanimously.

New Business:

Appointments:

Abandoned Hearing Vehicle Officer:

Moriarty made a motion to keep the two (2) vacancies until the Board has heard back from the Town Committee Chairs. There was a brief discussion to post to the town website to help find interest as 44% of the voters are unaffiliated. No further discussion. Motion approved unanimously.

Animal Control Officer: Anderson made a motion to appoint Daun Kowalski as the Animal Control Officer. No discussion. Motion approved unanimously.

Assistant Director of Public Works: Moriarty made a motion to appoint Chris Corsa as the Assistant Director of Public Works. No discussion. Motion approved unanimously.

Building Board of Appeals: Anderson made a motion to reappoint Ronald Matulevich and Bruce Mazzotta as the Building Board of Appeals for another five (5) year term. No discussion. Motion approved unanimously.

Charter Revision Committee: Anderson made a motion to reappoint Wayne Ruty, John Fernandes, Michael Battistoni, Kate Anderson, Bill Bowles and Tom Berchulski to the Charter Revision Committee. No discussion. Motion approved unanimously.

Committee on Aging: Moriarty made a motion to reappoint Marjorie DeBold, Mary Lou Hager, Jacqueline Chrysler, Mary Lou Pierce, Gloria Maynard, Robert Waller, Sue Ruty, Sue Horan-DeCarli, R. Thurston Clark, Elizabeth Hartke, Adele Vynalek and Frances Kosalski to the Committee on Aging. No discussion. Motion approved unanimously.

Connecticut River Area Health District (CRAHD): Moriarty made a motion to appoint McGarry to the Board of Directors to CRAHD. NO discussion. Approved unanimously.

Economic Development Commission: Brief discussion stating there are two (2) vacancies and will keep it open as stated earlier to solicit more people to the Commission. Anderson Anderson commented that anyone who is interested, please come to an EDC meeting first. the next meeting is scheduled for January 8, 2020.

Gateway Commission: Anderson made a motion to reappoint Sue Bement and Mike Farina to the Gateway Commission for a two (2) year term. NO discussion. Approved unanimously.

Merit Service Retirement Board: Moriarty made a motion to appoint Tom Danaher and Peter Brown to the Merit Service Retirement Board. No discussion. Approved unanimously.

Safety Committee Meeting: Moriarty made a motion to reappoint Chris Gamache, Diane Murphy, Debra Talbot, Chris Corsa, Tom Piezzo, Gary Vivian and Jessica Condil. In addition, we will appoint Malcom Meyer to replace Rick Annino who resigned on December 1, 2019. No discussion. Motion approved unanimously.

Salmon River Watershed Partnership: Anderson made a motion to reappoint Gail Reynolds and James McHutchinson to the Salmon River Watershed Partnership. No discussion. Motion approved unanimously.

Street Naming Committee: Moriarty made a motion to reappoint Chris Corsa to the Street Naming Committee. We still need to hear from the Fire Department and Ambulance for their representative. No discussion. Motion approved unanimously.

Sustainability Committee: Moriarty made a motion to reappoint/appoint Chris Karageorgos, Gail Reynolds, Jeff Lord, Kristin Battistoni and Robin Munster. No discussion. Motion approved unanimously.

Town Attorney:

Labor Attorney: Moriarty made a motion to appoint Nick Grello of Zangari, Cohn, Cuthbertson, Duhl & Grello P.C. No discussion. Motion approved unanimously.

General Town Attorney: Anderson made a motion to appoint Rich Carella of Updike, Kelly & Spellacy, P.C. There was a brief discussion. Anderson and McGarry Yay; Moriarty Nay. Motion carried.

Tree Warden: Moriarty made a motion to reappoint Chris Corsa as the Tree Warden for a two (2) year term. No discussion. Motion approved unanimously.

Board of Finance Alternate: Moriarty made a motion to appoint Prem Aithal to the Board of Finance, Alternate. There was a brief discussion. Motion approved unanimously.

New Business: Request from Chris Corsa to transfer \$50,000.00 to continue hazardous tree removals. Anderson made a motion to send to the Board of Finance, and then to a Town Meeting if needed, Transfer Request 2020-5, transferring \$25,000 from Public Works, Outside Contractor and \$25,000 from Public Works, Materials lines to the Tree Removal Line. There was a brief discussion. Motion approved unanimously.

Set 2020 BOS Meeting Dates: Anderson made a motion to approve the 2020 Board of Selectmen Meeting dates. There was a brief discussion. Motion approved unanimously.

Public Comment:

Lundgren, Mark: suggested to have meetings in Haddam Neck as they are always well attended.

Stew Leonard, question on street naming - he lives at 29 Spencer Road, a new road came off of Spencer Road and is wondering how the numbers on the road are attended.

Moriarty made a motion to adjourn. No discussion. Motion approved unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 6:59 pm.

Minutes taken by JoAnn Ricciardelli