

**Board of Selectmen  
Regular Meeting  
Wednesday, January 14, 2015  
5:00PM  
Court Room**

**1. Call to order**

Meeting brought to order Catherine A. Osten, First Selectman at 5:00PM. Present were Selectmen Denise Dembinski and Cheryl Blanchard. Also present: Les Shull and Dan Tropiano.

**2. Pledge of allegiance**

Led by C. Blanchard.

**3. Review and act on minutes of Regular Meeting December 10, 2014**

Motion made by D. Dembinski, seconded by C. Blanchard to approve the minutes of 12/10/14, unanimously voted.

**Motion to add 3a to the agenda.**

Motion made by C. Blanchard, seconded by D. Dembinski to add 3a to the agenda, to act on request for tax refund for overpayment of taxes, unanimously voted.

**3a. Act on request for tax refund for overpayment of taxes.**

Motion made by D. Dembinski, seconded by C. Blanchard to approve the tax refunds for overpayment of taxes for Daimler Trust for \$199.24 and VW Credit Leasing LTD for \$110.61, unanimously voted.

Motion made by C. Blanchard, seconded by D. Dembinski to approve the tax refund for overpayment of taxes for Nissan Infiniti LT for \$78.99, unanimously voted.

**4. Discussion – Fire Department medical calls, response time.**

- Board discuss letter received from Mr. Andre Trudelle regarding the response time from the Baltic Fire Department.
- C. Osten invited Les Shull, Fire Chief, to explain what had happened.
- Les presented a summary report for the incident which took place on 11/2/14 2014 – 0290 - concerns expressed was made by the resident and not the Board of Selectman.
- Les explained why the Baltic Fire Department could not respond. No one was in town at the time. Sprague dispatches out to Franklin, Scotland and Lisbon; if these towns cannot respond then American Ambulance is called in. Next protocol was Griswold.  
The delay was due to a dispatch problem; did not follow the order.
- Les explained that a meeting was held to discuss the dispatching situation and that has now been resolved.
- Administrative review of the Griswold response and handling of the situation; resolved by Griswold management.

- Les has apologized to Mr. Trudelle and his family.
- The Board of Selectmen and the Baltic Fire Department will respond in writing to express this unfortunate event/situation addressing this issue. Apologize for the situation.

**5. Possibly appoint members for the Economic Development Commission – Phyllis Nelson, Christine Kolar and Dan Tropiano.**

Motion mad by C. Blanchard, seconded by D. Dembinski to appoint Phyllis Nelson, Christine Kolar, Barry Kolar and Dan Tropiano to the Economic Development Commission, unanimously voted.

**6. Discuss and possibly act on the recreation field regulations.**

Board made some changes to the regulations: changed the wording from soccer field to recreation fields, field closes at dusk, schools within the town limits have priority on the reservation of the field and combined #5,6,7,8 under the responsible party.

Motion made by D. Dembinski, seconded by C. Blanchard to approve the recreation field regulations with the changes, unanimously voted.

**7. Act on appointment to the Recreation Commission – Christopher Jewel, Allison Martin and Adam Martin.**

Motion made by C. Blanchard, seconded by D. Dembinski to appoint Christopher Jewel, Allison Martin and Adam Martin to the Recreation Commission, unanimously voted.

**Motion to add 7a. to the agenda**

Motion made by D. Dembinski, seconded by C. Osten to add 7a to the agenda, to act on Resolution for the Master Municipal Agreement for Rights of Way Projects (State of Connecticut Department of Transportation), unanimously voted.

**7a. Act on Resolution: Master Municipal Agreement for Rights of Way Projects (State of Connecticut Department of Transportation).**

Motion made by D. Dembinski, seconded by C. Osten to approve the resolution for Master Municipal Agreement for Rights of Way Projects (State of Connecticut Department of Transportation). D. Dembinski and C. Osten approved, C. Blanchard abstained.

**Resolution**

RESOLVED, that Catherine A. Osten, First Selectman is hereby authorized to sign the Agreement entitled “Master Municipal Agreement for Rights of Way Projects”.

**8. Review Capital Plans for 2015/2016.**

- C. Osten reviewed the Capital Plans – same as the last 5 years.
- Road projects – Grand View and Sunrise Drive plans are in place, applying for a STEAP Grant, cost for project approx. \$1,300,000. After Grandview and Sunrise, Riverside Drive to be completed.
- Drainage 4 projects – Fuller Town Road, Pearl Street, Spruce Street and Westminster Road.

- Repave 4 parking lots (4 year plan) - Fire Dept., Water & Sewer and Sayles School.
- Looking for additional cameras for Water & Sewer to protect their assets; pump station 2 & 3, reservoir tanks and water treatment building.
- Town equipment- 1996 white truck cannot pass DOT inspection. Has asked for a replacement in the past, approximately \$160,000.
- Senior center Van – applying for another elderly/disabled grant.
- Tree removal – nothing at this time. Lucas Tree removal has done a great job in town.
- Fire Dept. – Mezzanine and comply with ADA bathroom assessable.

**9. Selectman’s report**

- Town buildings – Grist Mill completed, one door to fix at the town hall.
- School boiler and Fire Department - a little more work to be done. Camera system is working fantastic.
- Ancillary building - repaired all roofs at rec field; some painting to be completed.
- C. Osten suggested putting money away every year for equipment and buildings without incurring debt.
- C. Blanchard would like to review the budget before it goes to the Board of Finance.
- Fire Dept. – doors almost completed, Fire Dept. submitted two grants.
- Fusion handed in the keys to the building; C. Osten does not want the liability of holding the keys. 5 lagoons not covered; reached their capacity and had to contact Norwich. International Paper is cleaning up Versailles pond.

• **Public comment**

None

• **Adjournment**

Motion made by C. Blanchard, seconded by D. Dembinski to adjourn meeting at 6:15PM, unanimously voted.

Respectfully submitted by,

Catherine A. Osten  
First Selectman

These minutes subject to approval at Feb. 11<sup>th</sup> meeting.