

**Board of Selectmen
Regular Meeting
Wednesday June 11, 2014
5:00PM
Court Room
Revised**

1. Call to order

Meeting called to order by Catherine A. Osten, First Selectman at 5:00PM. Present were Selectmen Denise Dembinski and Cheryl Blanchard. Also present: Lorraine Allen, George Allen, and Les Shull.

2. Pledge of allegiance

Led by D. Dembinski

3. Review and act on minutes of Regular Meeting May 14, 2014, Special Meeting April 30, 2014 and Special Meeting May 28, 2014.

Motion made by C. Blanchard, seconded by D. Dembinski to approve the minutes of 6/14/2014 and 5/28/14, unanimously voted.

April 30, 2014 meeting was previously approved at the May 14th meeting.

4. Act on request for tax refund for overpayment of taxes

Motion made by D. Dembinski, seconded by C. Blanchard to approve the tax refund for overpayment of taxes for Seth Dunbar for \$322.50, unanimously voted.

5. Act on appointment to fill a vacancy on the Board of Assessment Appeals – Bill Lynch

Motion made by D. Dembinski, seconded by C. Blanchard to appoint Bill Lynch to fill a vacancy on the Board of Assessment Appeals, unanimously voted.

6. Discuss stop signs at the corner of Dows Lane and Pautipaug Hill Road.

The Country Club and residents are asking to put up a stop sign to deter people from going down Dows Lane. This item is tabled until next meeting. Selectmen will look at the area on Dows Lane and Pautipaug Hill Road.

7. Energize CT - Discuss and possibly act on the Clean Energy Communities Municipal Pledge

Motion made by D. Dembinski, seconded by C. Blanchard to approve the Clean Energy Communities Municipal Pledge, unanimously voted.

8. Solar City – to discuss and act on solar panels on the old Sprague landfill.

Solar City is interested in installing solar panels on the landfill. Discussion: anything above the highest meter will go towards the school almost eliminating their charges. This would not penetrate the membrane on the landfill.

9. Act on appointment for Austin Deschamps – Assistant Emergency Management

Motion made by D. Dembinski, seconded by C. Blanchard to appoint Austin Deschamps as Assistant Emergency Management. Discussion: residents may have been interested in this position; a recommendation came from the Emergency Management Director to fill this position, unanimously voted.

10. Act on subordination agreement – Robert and Candace Girard

Motion made by D. Dembinski, seconded by C. Blanchard to authorize the First Selectman to sign the Subordination Agreement for Robert and Candace Girard in with the Town will become subordinate for the new loan, unanimously voted.

11. Authorize the First Selectman to call a Special Town Meeting for Pautipaug Hill Road.

No action taken

12. Selectman’s report

- Board reviewed reports for: Resident Troopers report, signage report, works being done report, equipment report, roadside mowing report, sweeping report.
 - Prescription drug cards – available for all residents
 - Grants applied for: CT Main Street, STEAP for Sunrise and Grandview, CBDG for 1st, 2nd and 3rd, Robinson property, received \$2,600 for forest management-Watson Property.
 - Beer and Chili festival scheduled for June 28th
 - Summer Program starting on July 7th
 - Outside movies - Four movies have been scheduled for this year. Equipment was purchased through the Rec.

13. Public comment

Les Shull – ISO Insurance is conducting a survey for the Fire Dept. – Needs to know the disposition of the dry hydrants; C. Osten stated that this is done by the Fire Department and to contact Robert Tardif for more information.

Firehouse doors – primed, painted and turned out pinkish. Doors will be repainted to acquire the color red. Invoices for purchases from Ace Hardware, Staples and Home Depot –C. Osten stated that receipts should be attached to bills; C. Osten says it is an accounting mechanism required by the auditor.

Tracking for fixed assets (significant auditing requirement) is an additional requirement by the Board of Finance for anything that is purchased needs to be put on a list.

Motion made by C. Blanchard, seconded by D. Dembinski to add 13a to the agenda, unanimously voted.

13a. Act on Resolution: Reconstruction and Drainage Improvements to Pautipaug Hill Road.

Motion made by D. Dembinski, seconded by C. Blanchard to approve the resolution for the Reconstruction and Drainage Improvement to Pautipaug Hill Road, unanimously voted.

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, that Catherine A. Osten, First Selectman, is hereby authorized to sign the Agreement entitled “STEAP Grant Agreement between the State of Connecticut and the Town of Sprague for the Reconstruction and Drainage Improvements to Pautipaug Hill Road utilizing State Funds under the Small Town Economic Assistance Program”

14. Adjournment

Motion made by C. Blanchard, seconded by D. Dembinski to adjourn the meeting at 5:30PM, unanimously voted.

Respectfully submitted by,

Catherine A. Osten
First Selectman