

**Board of Selectmen
Regular Meeting
Wednesday October 10, 2012
5:00 PM
Court Room**

1. Call to order

Meeting called to order by Catherine A. Osten, First Selectman at 5:00PM. Present were Selectmen Denise Dembinski and Dennison Allen. Also present: Jim Ennis, Wendy Schnip, Austin Deschamps and Barbara Crouch.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Led by D. Allen

3. Review and act on minutes of Regular Meeting September 12, 2012 and Special Meeting September 24, 2012.

Motion made by D. Dembinski, seconded by D. Allen to accept the minutes of 9/12/12 and 9/24/12, unanimously voted.

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

Motion made by D. Allen, seconded by D. Dembinski to approve the tax refund of overpayment of taxes for Melissa & James Cardin for \$194.21, Mary & Walter Pietrowski for \$319.67, Joseph E. Gervais for \$158.58, Tina & David Desjardins for \$273.39, Jeffrey R. Dodge for \$59.51, Benjamin & Annette Postler for \$185.38, Daniel J. Merchant for \$89.08, Joseph Cordano for \$139.64, Philip & Carol Withington for \$13.38, Philip or Christoph Withington for \$50.56, Thomas Bombero for \$966.38, Todd Hastings for \$133.38, Cindy Lane for \$40.19, Roger G. Newton, Jr. for \$18.39, Toyota Motor Credit Corp. for \$204.80, Laura A. Rapacki for \$12.84, unanimously voted.

5. Act on appointing Marsha Cirrito as a regular member to the Sprague Public Library.

Motion made by D. Dembinski, seconded by D. Allen to appoint Marsha Cirrito as a regular member to the Sprague Public Library, unanimously voted.

6. Act on appointing Cynthia Rutigliano as an alternate member to the Sprague Public Library.

Motion made by D. Dembinski, seconded by D. Allen to appoint Cynthia Rutigliano as an alternate member to the Sprague Public Library, unanimously voted.

7. Act on proclamation for Mr. Ulysses B. Hammond, Vice President Administration at Connecticut College.

Motion made by D. Dembinski, seconded by D. Allen to act on a proclamation for Mr. Ulysses B. Hammond, Vice President Administration at Connecticut college. D. Dembinski and C. Osten voted yes, D. Allen abstained.

8. Discuss and possibly act on signing a Statement of Support for the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment rights Act (USERRA) for the safety of their jobs.

Tabled.

9. Selectmen's report

- Reduction of services at TVCCA effective October 1, 2012; Senior Center to adjust its hours, Center will open on Fridays for 4hrs serving congregate meals along with Meals on Wheels, no additional cost to the taxpayers.
- Sweeping in progress
- Roadside mowing on second round
- Signs are being installed, sign for school bus stop ahead to be placed on Pautipaug Hill.
- Resident Trooper Report - Board to review
- Our Town – Elizabeth Calderon, Editor, will speak to the Board re: series submissions.
- Motion was made by D. Allen to add 9a to discuss and possibly act on the bid evaluations for stop signs on Main Street Hanover; C. Osten stated that DOT is changing the State Traffic Control policy and waiting for the report. No second, motion does not pass.
- D. Allen – has been questioned by the public re: the Grist Mill Dollar amount. C. Osten states CDBG grant portion of the funding was \$150,000 under bid; this money was returned to DECD.

10. Public comment

Barbara Crouch – questioned bonding, questioned Town Hall Staff, BOF minutes should be taped and E-Sprague availability.

Jim Ennis – Would like a copy of the report from the DOT when C. Osten receives it.

W. Schnip – suggested Board of Finance meetings should be taped; questioning Water & Sewer Authority bond increase and Town paving projects.

11. Adjournment

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

Respectfully submitted by,

Catherine A. Osten
First Selectman