

BOARD OF SELECTMEN REGULAR MEETING
Tuesday September 4, 2018 7:00pm

A meeting of the Board of Selectmen was held on Tuesday, September 4, 2018 in the selectmen's conference room.

Members present: First Selectman Michael Criss, Selectman Evan Brunetti, Selectman Rick Fowler.

Attendees: Jaqueline Stoughton – Republican American

Call to Order

Mr. Criss called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Mr. Fowler made a motion to approve the previous minutes. Mr. Brunetti seconded. All in favor. Motion carries.

Appointments and Resignations

None at this time.

Public Participation

None.

New Business:

Request for Tax Refunds – Mr. Brunetti made a motion to accept the Tax Refunds. Mr. Fowler seconded. All in Favor. Motion carries.

First Selectman's Report – Shingle Mill Bridge Program is coming up; the first legal ad will be posted on September 12th, 2018. Mr. Fowler asked how long the project may take. Mr. Criss responded that if all the bidding can get done and approved they can break ground in the spring.

Resident Trooper interviews have started. Right now there is a temporary night trooper that is a very good candidate who applied for the permanent position. He is one of three (3) candidates, he will be interviewing next week.

Blight Officer Update: We are going to be running an ad for a new Blight Officer. The Blight Officer has not resigned yet but will be in the near future.

The Assistant Bookkeeper ad went into the paper on September 2nd, 2018.

There was an opinion piece in the Republican American regarding Ms. Arigoni's complaint about having to file an FOIA request form (see attached) for financial documents. Her complaint was that she is a BOF member and a former bookkeeper and felt she was entitled to get reports specially requested. We have explained several times to Ms. Arigoni that if she is looking for information for the BOF she has to go through the Chairman like every other board does. If she is coming to us as a resident requesting information, she still has to fill out an FOIA request form. In this community everyone is treated equally and no one gets special treatment or is above regulations, regardless of their role in the community. This process helps us track all the information we release from the town hall for auditing purposes and FOIA compliancy. Everyone is to follow the same procedures regardless of what their position may have been. The FOIA request

forms that she requested are the reports that the members of the board get every Friday (which the town is not required to provide). She also asked to see an employee's time-sheets.

Alan Innes is interested in getting the Solar Ad-hoc committee meetings started. He will be getting in touch with Mr. Fowler the BOS liaison.

The library has not given any more information on the projects that were presented at the last meeting

Correspondence – None at this time.

Executive Session – Legal – Possible Land Acquisition – Mr. Fowler made a motion to go into Executive Session at 7:13p.m. Mr. Brunetti seconded. All in favor. Motion carries. Mr. Brunetti made a motion to come out of Executive Session at 7:23 p.m. Mr. Fowler seconded. All in favor. Motion carries. No action taken.

Adjournment – Mr. Brunetti made a motion to adjourn at 7:33pm. Mr. Fowler seconded. All in favor. Motion carries.

Minutes submitted by _____
First Selectman's Office

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