

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN PUBLIC HEARING
December 2, 2014**

A Public Hearing was held on Tuesday, December 2, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in the Assembly Hall.

Selectman Truskauskas moved to open Public Hearing. Selectman Schnyer seconded motion.

The Board of Selectmen presented a proposal to lease property owned by the Town of Harwinton and located at 166 Burlington Road, to the Harwinton Ambulance Association, Inc.

First Selectman Criss asked those present if anyone had any questions or comments concerning the lease. There being no questions or comments Selectman Truskauskas moved to close the Public Hearing. Selectman Schyner seconded. Hearing closed at 7:01 p.m.

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN REGULAR MEETING
December 2, 2014**

A regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen was held on Tuesday, December 2, 2014 in the Assembly Hall.

Members present: First Selectman Michael Criss, Selectman Jon Truskauskas, and Selectman Nancy Schnyer.

Attendees: Attorney Michael Rybak, John Fredsall, Jason Emery, Bob Collins, Vinnie Wheeler, and members of the Harwinton Volunteer Ambulance Association.

Call to Order

Mr. Criss called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

Minutes from the Previous Meeting

Ms. Schyner moved to approve the minutes from the meeting held on November 18, 2014. Mr. Truskauskas seconded. All were in favor.

Public Participation

None

Appointments and Resignations

Mr. Criss announced there is an opening on the Cable Advisory Council for Charter Communications. There are two (2) seats available and the First Selectman holds one. This is a volunteer position with a 2 year term. The council meets quarterly. The next meeting is scheduled for January 13, 2015.

New Business

Vote on Lease Agreement between Town and Harwinton Ambulance Association:

Mr. Truskauskas moved to approve the lease agreement between the Town of Harwinton and the Harwinton Ambulance Association. Ms. Schnyer seconded. All were in favor.

Request for Refund of Property Tax:

Ms. Schnyer moved to approve a tax refund for June Gordon (Scott Semack) in the amount of \$76.26. Mr. Truskauskas seconded. All were in favor.

Discussion on Ordinances:

Attorney Rybak submitted an ordinance regarding parking on town highways for the Selectmen to review. A tax incentive ordinance was discussed. The purpose of the ordinance is to give tax credits to those interested in renovating an existing building in Harwinton for business use and not for new development. Attorney Rybak will continue to work on this ordinance.

First Selectman's Report

Mr. Criss reported the Town has been awarded a \$1,000,000 grant for expansion of the Harwinton Public Library. Some Town funds will have to be used for the expansion. This expects to be a long process and will be a referendum vote.

The Hometown Holiday celebration will take place this Saturday, December 6, 2014 at Town Hall from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Mr. Criss visited property where the bus depot will be. John Dufour with All-Star Transportation has purchased the airport property and has been cleaning, repairing and renovating property. Mr. Criss noted the property looks much better already and Mr. Dufour is doing a good job.

Correspondence

The Selectmen reviewed November, 2014 reports submitted by the Fire Marshal and Animal Control Officer.

The Selectmen received a letter from Tax Collector, Beth Hamel, notifying them per state statute of upcoming jeopardy tax collections.

The Tax Collector and Tax Assessor notified the Board, per CGS 12-145 to waive interest on a motor vehicle bill.

Adjournment

Ms. Schnyer moved to adjourn at 7:23 p.m. Mr. Truskauskas seconded. All were in favor.

Minutes submitted by _____
Melissa Santoro