

BOARD OF SELECTMEN REGULAR MEETING
Tuesday October 15, 2019 7:00pm

A meeting of the Board of Selectmen was held on Tuesday, October 15, 2019 in the selectmen's conference room.

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

Attendees: Peter Thierry – Board of Finance

Call Meeting to Order

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

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Mr. Fowler made a motion to approve the minutes from the last BOS meeting. Mr. Brunetti seconded. All in favor; Motion carries.

Appointments and Resignations – Tom Schoenemann sent in a letter of resignation from the Economic Development Commission. Mr. Fowler made a motion to accept the resignation. Mr. Brunetti regretfully seconded. All in favor; Motion carries.

Public Participation – Mr. Thierry requested information.

New Business

Request for Tax Refunds – There is a total of \$10.67. Mr. Brunetti made a motion to approve the Tax Refunds. Mr. Fowler seconded. All in favor; Motion carries. On April 9th there was a refund approved to TJ Mess Trucking, check # 60763. As of October 15, 2019, the check remains uncashed and is now null and void per bank policy. Because there are outstanding balances owed to the town for past due Motor Vehicle taxes and according to state statute 12-129, the existence of another tax delinquency or other debt owed by the same person, firm or corporation shall be sufficient grounds for denying the application for refund. The refund shall be voided in the finance office and the credit shall be applied to the open balances existing in the tax office. Mr. Brunetti Made a motion to stop payment and keep the refund to apply to past due amount. Mr. Fowler seconded. All in favor; Motion carries.

STEAP – Mr. Criss updated on the status of STEAP. He brought it to the Board of Finance as we received a letter from Office of Policy & Management dated October 8th, 2019 that allows us to utilize the funds left over from the Harwinton House and reallocate them towards the Fire Department repairs. The Board of Finance has approved to utilize the STEAP funds for the Fire Department Repairs pending the Board of Selectmen's approval and for it to be added to the next town meeting. Mr. Brunetti made a motion for the remaining \$69,407.00 STEAP funds to be used for the fire department repairs and for the balance to come from the General Fund, and to have it added to the next town meeting. Mr. Fowler seconded. All in favor; Motion carries.

BOS Meeting Dates for 2020 – Mr. Brunetti made a motion to keep the meetings consistent with prior years for the 1st & 3rd Tuesday of every month. Mr. Fowler seconded. All in favor; Motion carries.

First Selectman's Report – Mr. Criss shared that the Veterans War Memorial needs to have a Public Informational meeting scheduled. Mr. Brunetti made a motion to set the hearing for Tuesday, October 29th, 2019 at 7pm at the Town Hall for the Veterans to present the plans for the Veterans War Memorial. Mr. Fowler seconded. All in favor; Motion carries.

Mr. Criss spoke to Atty. Rybak about Ordinance #98 as well as the Building Official. Both agreed to repeal the ordinance all together because there is enough in the state statutes and building codes to cover what is addressed in Ordinance #98. Mr. Brunetti made a motion to put a repeal on for Ordinance #98 and to be put on next the town meeting call. Mr. Fowler seconded. All in favor; Motion carries.

Correspondence – None at this time.

Executive Session – Legal – None at this time

Adjournment – Mr. Brunetti made a motion to adjourn at 7:15 pm. Mr. Fowler seconded. All in favor; Motion carries.

Minutes submitted by _____
First Selectman's Office

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James Boyan