

**Board of Selectmen's
Special Meeting**

Wednesday, January 7, 2015
7:00 PM - Town Hall

The meeting was called to order by First Selectman George Temple and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present: First Selectman George Temple, Esq., Selectman Jeff Haney, Selectman David McKane, Joanne Pelton, Administrative Assistant.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

1. 12/3/14 Regular Meeting

MOTION:

Jeff Haney moved to approve the 12/3/14 Regular Meeting minutes as presented. This was seconded by Dave McKane. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

2. 12/11/14 Special Meeting

MOTION:

Jeff Haney moved to approve the 12/11/14 Special Meeting minutes as presented. This was seconded by Dave McKane. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

3. 12/16/14 Special Meeting

MOTION:

Jeff Haney moved to approve the 12/16/14 Special Meeting minutes as presented. This was seconded by Dave McKane. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

Amendment to the Agenda

Student Artwork Contest Winners Presentation

MOTION:

Dave McKane moved to move Item 1 under New Business, Student Artwork Contest Winners Presentation, to be presented before the Appointments. This was seconded by First Selectman George Temple. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

First Selectman George Temple called each contest winner up to the front of the room and presented an award and certificate to each. A picture was taken with all of the winners with their artwork with the Board of Selectmen.

MOTION:

Jeff Haney moved to recess for five minutes at 7:45 p.m. This was seconded by First Selectman George Temple. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

MOTION:

Dave McKane moved to reconvene the meeting at 7:48 p.m. This was seconded by Jeff Haney. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

First Selectman George Temple stated that since this is a Special Meeting, there will be no Audience of Citizens or Report of the First Selectman.

APPOINTMENTS

1. Cultural Arts Commission – Re-Appoint Elaine Shown and Karen Earley

MOTION:

Dave McKane moved to re-appoint Elaine Shown, of 139 Newgate Road, and Karen Earley, of 20 Good Hill Road, both to the Cultural Arts Commission with terms to commence on 1/1/15 and expire on 12/31/17. This was seconded by Jeff Haney. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

Discussion: First Selectman George Temple stated both do a great job.

2. Economic Development Commission – Re-Appoint Jay Borkowski, Appoint Robert Costigan

MOTION:

Dave McKane moved to table this matter. This was seconded by Jeff Haney. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

3. Emergency Manager Committee /LECP/Civil Preparedness Director with Annual Stipend

MOTION:

Jeff Haney moved to re-appoint Scott Pelletier, of 222 Christian Street, as the Emergency Manager Committee /LECP/Civil Preparedness Director with an annual stipend of \$4,000. This was seconded by Dave McKane. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

Discussion: First Selectman George Temple stated that Scott Pelletier has been very involved, and the Town could not have a better person.

4. Board of Ethics – Re-Appoint William Lieder

MOTION:

Jeff Haney moved to re-appoint William Lieder, of 41 Pines Bridge Road, to the Board of Ethics with a term to commence on 1/1/15 and expire on 12/31/18. This was seconded by Dave McKane. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

Discussion: First Selectman George Temple asked if William Lieder had agreed to serve, and it was noted yes, he had agreed.

5. Open Burning Official with Annual Stipend

MOTION:

Dave McKane moved to re-appoint Scott Pelletier, of 222 Christian Street, as the Open Burning Official with an annual stipend of \$721.00 and a term to commence on 1/1/15 and expire on 12/31/15. This was seconded by Jeff Haney. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

Discussion: First Selectman George Temple asked Scott Pelletier if he is willing to do this. Yes, Scott Pelletier is willing.

6. Oxford Housing Authority – Re-Appoint Elaine Barrett

MOTION:

Jeff Haney moved to re-appoint Elaine Barrett, of 27 Dunn Drive, to the Oxford Housing Authority with a term to commence on 1/1/15 and expire on 12/31/19. This was seconded by Dave McKane. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

Discussion First Selectman George Temple asked if Elaine Barrett is going to do this. Bill Burns does have a letter for re-appointment. First Selectman George Temple discussed that various Housing Authorities in the State are looking to reform them, and that he has concerns regarding this re-appointment if she is not a resident of Oxford.

MOTION:

First Selectman George Temple would like to table this appointment until he had an opportunity to speak to Elaine Barrett.

Discussion: It was noted that Elaine Barrett is a resident of Crestview in Oxford.

First Selectman George Temple withdrew the motion to table this appointment.

7. Quaker Farms Volunteer Fire Company 2015 Fire Chief – Re-Appoint Andrew Coy

MOTION:

Jeff Haney moved to re-appoint Andrew Coy as Quaker Farms Volunteer Fire Company's 2015 Fire Chief as they presented and recommended in their letter dated 11/10/14. This was seconded by Dave McKane. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

Discussion: First Selectman George Temple asked Scott Pelletier if he had any comments on this appointment. Mr. Pelletier stated Andrew Coy was a good choice. First Selectman George Temple stated Mr. Coy is a good man and has been involved and is someone he trusts.

8. Safety & Health Committee – Appoint Michael Blood

MOTION:

Dave McKane moved to appoint Michael Blood, Public Works Employee, to the Safety & Health Committee. This was seconded by Jeff Haney. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

9. Valley Emergency Medical Service Board – Appoint First Selectman George R. Temple

MOTION:

Jeff Haney moved to appoint First Selectman George R. Temple to the Valley Emergency Medical Service Board. This was seconded by Dave McKane. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

Discussion: First Selectman George Temple stated that the Board of Selectmen does not need to approve this. The Town has always had a position with the Valley Emergency Medical Service Board and that he does not want to delegate it to someone. First Selectman George Temple will serve on this board now.

NEW BUSINESS

2. Re-Visit Temporary Part-Time Planning & Zoning Clerk Position

MOTION:

Jeff Haney moved to table this item. This was seconded by Dave McKane. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

3. Yale-New Haven Digital Mammography Van – Approve Use of Town Hall Parking Lot

MOTION:

Dave McKane moved to approve the use of the Town Hall parking lot on Wednesday, February 11, 2015 from 8:00 AM to 2:30 PM for the Yale-New Haven Digital Mammography Van. This was seconded by Jeff Haney. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries. (Note: This is a free service open to the public but by appointment. Please call 203-688-1010 to schedule your appointment).

Discussion: First Selectman George Temple thanked the women in Town Hall who got this program together, and this is a great thing that can help women in Oxford.

4. Petinella Subdivision, Randall Drive, Maintenance Bond Release – Approve

MOTION:

Dave McKane moved to approve the release of the Maintenance Bond, in the amount of \$6,700.00, for Petinella Subdivision, Randall Drive as presented and recommended by the Town Engineer on 11/12/14, Town Counsel on 11/25/14 and the Planning & Zoning Commission on 12/10/14. This was seconded by Jeff Haney. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

5. Hire Part-Time Substitute Circulation Clerk

MOTION:

Jeff Haney moved to hire Laurie Abbot, of 13 Coventry Lane, as a Part-Time Substitute Circulation Clerk, at a rate of \$9.15 per hour effective December 18, 2014 as presented and requested by the Library Director in her letter dated 11/25/14. This was seconded by Dave McKane. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

Discussion: This is a part-time position, the salary is minimum wage, and will be a substitute when someone calls out.

6. Solid Waste and/or Recycling Permit Licenses – Approve

MOTION:

Dave McKane moved to approve the following Solid Waste/Recycling Permit Licenses as approved by the Recycling Coordinator:

- City Carting, Inc., 8 Viaduct Road, P. O. Box 17250, Stamford, CT 06907 (Solid Waste)

- USA Hauling & Recycling, 15 Mullen Road, Enfield, CT 06082
(Solid Waste and Recycling)
- Springer Sanitation Inc., 401 Old Woodbury Road, Southbury, CT 06488
(Solid Waste and Recycling)
- The Stone Construction Company, Inc., 168 Main Street South, Southbury, CT 06488 (Recycling)
- Winters Bros. Hauling of CT, 307 White Street, Danbury, CT 06810
(Solid Waste and Recycling)

This was seconded by Jeff Haney. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

Discussion: This is for the Recycling Center, and all of these companies have been checked out. Selectman Dave McKane stated there is no reason to not approve it.

7. Statement of Support for the Guard and Reserve – Approve and Authorize First Selectman to Sign

MOTION:

Jeff Haney moved to approve the following Statement of Support for the Guard and Reserve and authorize the First Selectman to sign:

STATEMEN OF SUPPORT
FOR THE GUARD AND RESERVE

AMERICA, INC.

We recognize the Guard and Reserve are essential to the strength of our nation and the well being of our communities.

In the highest American tradition, the patriotic men and women of the Guard and Reserve serve voluntarily in an honorable and vital profession. They train to respond to their community and their country in time of need. They deserve the support of every segment of our society.

If these volunteer forces are to continue to serve our nation, increased public understanding is required of the essential role of the Guard and Reserve in preserving our national security.

Therefore, we join other employers in pledging that:

- We fully recognize, honor and enforce the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (USERRA).
- We will provide our managers and supervisors with the tools they need to effectively manage those employees who serve in the Guard and Reserve.

- We appreciate the values, leadership and unique skills Service members bring to the workforce and will encourage opportunities to employ Guardsmen, Reservists and Veterans.
- We will continually recognize and support our country's Service members and their families in peace, in crisis and in war.

This was seconded by Dave McKane. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

Discussion: First Selectman George Temple stated he is a Veteran, and this is something that comes before the Town, and is important that when people put their time in for this country, all employers should honor this and their service.

8. H&D Catering Peddlers Permit – Approve

No action at this time.

9. Report of First Selectman

No report of the First Selectman at this Special Meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION:

Dave McKane moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:04 PM. This was seconded by Jeff Haney. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

Respectfully submitted,



Lynda Romanowski
Clerk, Board of Selectmen

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