

MINUTES
Board of Selectmen
Tuesday, November 17, 2015 – 7:00PM
Norma Drummer Room – Seymour Town Hall

Members Present: W. Kurt Miller, Karen Stanek, Paul Roy, Annmarie Drugonis, Nicole Klarides-Ditria (7:10PM), Al Bruno, and Len Greene, Jr.

Others Present: Town Counsel, Richard Buturla; Deirdre Caruso, Christopher Caruso, Jamie Brennan, Rory Burke, Michael Flynn, Doug Thomas and Mike Marganski.

ITEM #1: Call meeting to order.

Meeting was called to order by First Selectman, W. Kurt Miller, at 7:04 P.M.

ITEM #2: Pledge of Allegiance.

Everyone saluted the flag and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

ITEM #3: Public Comment.

Jamie Brennan, 124 Bungay Road, stated he has been trying to understand the money involved with the Greenway Trail. He stated the town website lists the project as costing \$500,000 and it could be \$750,000 with contingencies. He stated the resolution passed by this board was for \$900,000. He stated he met with Mr. Messoro and was told it shouldn't be \$900,000. Mr. Messoro won't have an actual cost until the bids come in. He stated in lieu of this upcoming town meeting, he believes there is a lot of money is being spent. He encouraged moving the town meetings to 7:00 P.M. or 7:30 P.M. The Permanent Building Committee minutes for their most recent meeting have not been filed. He stated at their October 6th meeting the committee only recommended doing necessary things.

ITEM #4: Approve minutes from October 20, 2015 regular meeting.

Motion to approve minutes from October 20, 2015 regular meeting.

Motion: Len Greene, Jr.

Second: Annmarie Drugonis

Vote: 6-Yes

0-No

0-Abstain

W. Kurt Miller – Yes

Annmarie Drugonis – Yes

Karen Stanek – Yes

Len Greene, Jr. – Yes

Paul Roy – Yes

Al Bruno – Yes

Karen stated under item number 6 it should read Colony Road and not Colony Street.

ITEM #5: First Selectman's Report.

- *Attended the National League of Cities Conference again this year. I found the conference to be very informative and attended several sessions focused on smaller cities and towns. Those sessions were Big Ideas for Small Cities, Cutting the Red Tape to Promote Business Growth, Keep Your City Moving Through Creative Funding Mechanisms, Golden Ageing: How to Create a Senior Friendly Community and Municipal Bonds and Fiscal Health: What you Need to Know Right Now. I also spent a great deal of time in the vendor show reviewing new products and services that may benefit the town.*
- *Attended the CCM Legislative Committee meeting. During the meeting we worked on finalizing our legislative agenda for the upcoming session. We also heard from State Senator Len Fasano regarding the current state of the budget. Estimates project the state to have a \$350 million plus deficit for the current fiscal year.*

- *With the potential of cuts to municipal funding for the current fiscal year, I have asked the finance departments of the Board of Ed and the Municipal side to identify \$150,000 in cuts so we are prepared should the need arise. I have asked to have these suggestions to me by the first of the month.*
- *Finally, I was very proud of our town and the Veterans celebrations that took place. In total, Seymour had 5 events to honor our veterans. From the raising of the flag at the Middle School to the Dropping of the Navy Wreath off the Bank Street Bridge to the Memorial Service at French Park to the Veterans Appreciation Program at Chatfield LoPresti School to the Candle Light Vigil at Broad Street Park, all of the events were not only well done, but very well attended. It was a privilege to be a part of these ceremonies and to spend time with these people who have proudly served our country.*

Motion to go out of order to Item #10: Discussion and take possible action regarding 2015-16 ICE grant resolution.

Motion: Len Greene, Jr.

Second: Annmarie Drugonis

Vote: 7-Yes 0-No

0-Abstain

W. Kurt Miller – Yes

Nicole Klarides-Ditria – Yes

Annmarie Drugonis – Yes

Karen Stanek – Yes

Len Greene, Jr. – Yes

Paul Roy – Yes

Al Bruno – Yes

ITEM #10: Discussion and take possible action regarding 2015-16 ICE grant resolution.

Kurt stated we had entered into discussions with Derby, Oxford and Beacon Falls with regards to purchasing equipment. They had looked at purchasing a vacuum truck, the four towns decided not to go with the purchase. The town of Oxford has applied for an ICE (Inter-Town Capital Equipment) Grant program. The recipient of the award will receive a contribution of the state amounting up to 80% of the total cost. The towns of Seymour, Oxford and Beacon Falls are going to enter into this agreement together. He stated with the blessing of the board, they are going to buy \$294,000 worth of equipment that all three towns need. The equipment that will be purchased is a large roller with a trailer, an excavator with a trailer and a large screener. The total cost of the equipment is \$294,729.00 and the grant will cover 80% of that. The outstanding amount will be \$58,945 and the town of Seymour's share is \$19,648.00. During the budget process, \$100,000 was budgeted for this process. He stated they are currently in the process of formalizing the agreement. Oxford's Counsel will be putting together an agreement.

Dee Caruso, Manager of Operations and Grants stated the host town will be Oxford because they have the facility to house everything. Insurance will be held by oxford. Seymour, Oxford and Beacon Falls will split the deductibles. She stated every time one of the towns has the equipment, they have a rider insurance policy. There will be a committee of 3 representatives which will be made up of each town's Public Works Director. They will decide the maintenance schedule. There will be a maintenance line item split three ways. She stated the town has already been awarded this.

Len Greene inquired what benefit the equipment will be to the town.

Kurt stated the roller will help with paving, pot holes and asphalt. The screener will deal with millings and compost piles. The excavator will be used for drainage and issues with catch basins.

Len inquired about the expected cost of the rider on an annual basis.

Dee stated they do not have a budget set for maintenance or insurance yet. The vendors will give us a basic budget on maintenance. She stated they will not be purchasing the equipment until February. The agreement will go through in December. She stated they are not imagining the insurance

or the maintenance to be costly. Vendors have also offered to give training to the Public Works employees to operate the equipment.

Len inquired about what happens if the committee of 3 can't agree on anything.

Dee stated that basically the First Selectman will step in. They feel that the two current Public Works Directors are working well together. She stated everyone is getting along and it's going well.

Len asked if this is going to set a precedent on how the town will do this going forward.

Dee stated there is a 5-year inter-municipal agreement that can be renewed every five years. A town can opt out if they like.

Kurt stated the equipment will be used throughout the year.

Kurt read the resolution as follows:

Whereas, the Board of Selectmen finds it in the best interest of the residents of the Town of Seymour to endorse and authorize the Inter-Town Capital Equipment (ICE) Purchase Incentive Program with the investment communities of Oxford and Beacon Falls, CT and;

Whereas, the Board of Selectmen agrees to provide applicable matching funds for the said project as required by the Inter-Town Capital Equipment (ICE) Purchase Incentive Program and;

Whereas, the Board of Selectmen agrees to enter into the ICE Purchase Incentive Program for the purchase of a Volvo DD25W Roller, New Felling Roller Trailer FT-10, Tag-a-Long Trailer TAG21-28/2XSP, Volvo ECR88D Excavator, and a Rawson Screener 3824 with said investment communities;

Therefore, Be it Resolved that the Board of Selectmen endorses and authorizes the Inter-Town Capital Equipment (ICE) Purchase Incentive Program with investment communities of Oxford and Beacon Falls, CT.

Motion to accept the resolution as presented.

Motion: Nicole Klarides-Ditria

Second: Karen Stanek

Vote: 7-Yes

0-No

0-Abstain

W. Kurt Miller – Yes

Nicole Klarides-Ditria – Yes

Annmarie Drugonis – Yes

Karen Stanek – Yes

Len Greene, Jr. – Yes

Paul Roy – Yes

Al Bruno – Yes

Motion to go back in order to Item #6.

Motion: Annmarie Drugonis

Second: Nicole Klarides-Ditria

Vote: 7-Yes

0-No

0-Abstain

W. Kurt Miller – Yes

Nicole Klarides-Ditria – Yes

Annmarie Drugonis – Yes

Karen Stanek – Yes

Len Greene, Jr. – Yes

Paul Roy – Yes

Al Bruno – Yes

ITEM #6: Discussion and take possible action regarding manufacturer's exemption for JV Precision Machine.

Kurt read a letter from JV Precision Machine as follows:

Hello Kurt,

Thank you for all your help in this matter. We would like to respectfully request time on the agenda of the Board of Selectmen meeting prior to January 1, 2016. Please let us know if and when this request can be accommodated for us to attend.

Regards,

Josef Visinski/Owner Operated

Vice President

JV Precision Machine Company

Kurt stated this is in reference to Manufacturer's Exemption for grand list year 2014. Last month the board passed a new ordinance which would allow companies who are currently on the State Manufacturer's Exemption Program to allow the town to step in to assist should they have any type of issues.

Kurt read the following three sections out of the ordinance:

3. Effective for 10/1/2014 Grand List only, the deadline to meet with the Board of Selectmen shall be prior to January 1, 2016, at their regularly scheduled meeting. Such meeting shall be public.
4. The Board of Selectmen may grant such exemption according to criteria set by such Board on a case by case basis.
5. Final decisions by Board of Selectmen shall be in the minutes of such meeting and Assessor shall be notified of such decision by the First Selectman within 10 days of such meeting

Kurt said the state has a program that allows manufacturing companies to get a substantial break on what they pay on taxes for equipment. JV Precision has been an active participant in that. For the Grand List 2013 the taxes paid for their equipment totaled \$1,798 as a part of the program. He stated because of back office issues, paper work wasn't filed on time and the taxes rose to \$160,150.00

Josef Visinski from JV Precision stated they are a family owned company and have been in business for 40 years. They're secretary of 15 years retired last year. They kept her on part time and hired daughter to cover part time. He stated he at fault signed the check and left it at the secretary station and it got mixed on the desk. He apologized for the mistake.

Kurt stated in speaking with the Assessor, Joe Kusiak, this is a good corporate business for the town. He stated this was a simple mistake.

Josef stated this would greatly impact making decisions for the business going forward. He thanked the board and is happy to be in business in Seymour.

Motion to restore the Manufactures Exemption Credit for JV Precision Machine Company, of 71 Cogwheel Lane, Seymour, in accordance with the Seymour Town Ordinance as presented.

Motion: Len Greene, Jr.

Second: Paul Roy

Vote: 7-Yes 0-No

0-Abstain

W. Kurt Miller – Yes

Nicole Klarides-Ditria – Yes

Annmarie Drugonis – Yes

Karen Stanek – Yes

Len Greene, Jr. – Yes

Paul Roy – Yes

Al Bruno – Yes

ITEM #7: To consider and act upon a resolution setting the date for a Special Town Meeting for December 1, 2015 at 6:40 PM in the Norma Drummer Room in Town Hall to consider resolutions with respect to such of the appropriations and borrowing authorizations considered pursuant to agenda items 7 through 10 as they appeared on the October 20, 2015 Board of Selectmen agenda as recommended by the Board of Selectmen.

Kurt suggested changing the date to December 15, 2015 because it will be the first official meeting of the new Board of Selectmen.

Motion to amend the agenda item to change December 1, 2015 to December 15, 2015 and keeping all other information the same.

Motion: Al Bruno

Second: Annmarie Drugonis

Vote: 7-Yes 0-No

0-Abstain

W. Kurt Miller – Yes

Nicole Klarides-Ditria – Yes

Annmarie Drugonis – Yes

Karen Stanek – Yes

Len Greene, Jr. – Yes

Paul Roy – Yes

Al Bruno – Yes

Motion to set the Special Town Meeting for December 15, 2015 at 6:40 PM in the Norma Drummer Room as stated.

Motion: Nicole Klarides-Ditria

Second: Paul Roy

Vote: 7-Yes 0-No

0-Abstain

W. Kurt Miller – Yes

Nicole Klarides-Ditria – Yes

Annmarie Drugonis – Yes

Karen Stanek – Yes

Len Greene, Jr. – Yes

Paul Roy – Yes

Al Bruno – Yes

ITEM #8: Set Special Town Meeting for December 1, 2015 at 6:30 PM regarding waiving of bidding on Fire Department boat.

Motion to amend the agenda item to read December 15, 2015 instead of December 1, 2015.

Motion: Nicole Klarides-Ditria

Second: Al Bruno

Vote: 7-Yes 0-No

0-Abstain

W. Kurt Miller – Yes

Nicole Klarides-Ditria – Yes

Annmarie Drugonis – Yes

Karen Stanek – Yes

Len Greene, Jr. – Yes

Paul Roy – Yes

Al Bruno – Yes

Motion to set Special Town Meeting for December 15, 2015 at 6:30 PM regarding waiving of bidding on Fire Department boat.

Motion: Al Bruno

Second: Annmarie Drugonis

Vote: 7-Yes 0-No

0-Abstain

W. Kurt Miller – Yes

Nicole Klarides-Ditria – Yes

Annmarie Drugonis – Yes

Karen Stanek – Yes

Len Greene, Jr. – Yes

Paul Roy – Yes

Al Bruno – Yes

ITEM #9: Discussion with Blight Enforcement Officer.

Mike Marganski, Blight Enforcement Officer, stated when got into the position in 2012, there were 15 properties that were eyesores for community. He stated within the first two years he was able to get all the properties cleaned up except for one at 54 Humphrey Street. He stated he received a letter from a resident on Humphrey Street with regard to their homeowners insurance dropping them because the house next door to them was vacant and in bad condition. He stated he worked hard to prove that no one lives in the home. In early 2014, he finally got a hold of Everhome Mortgage and they admitted the property was their responsibility. In 2014 he invested \$5,000 and cleaned up the lawn. After a long court battle, they were able to come to a partial resolution on that property yesterday. He stated Richard Buturla, Town Counsel, received a check amounting in \$60,950 made out to the Town of Seymour in Blight monies. He stated that is the biggest blight fee that has been collected. He said Everhome Mortgage paid it and are not doing anything with the property. He stated he will have to wait a reasonable amount of time before he goes after them again according to state statute.

Mike discussed an idea of how to utilize the blight monies collected. He stated he would like, in the future, to allocate money to purchase a community trailer with landscaping equipment so that community agencies or youth groups can take the trailer on any given day and clean up parks, etc. He already has come up with a waiver and will send up to corporation counsel. He stated he has a good balance with approaching blighted properties.

Al Bruno inquired about where the shed/trailer would be located.

Mike stated it would be a trailer that could be towed. He stated he had a few different areas in mind but one would be next to the Seymour Ambulance trailer.

Kurt discussed, with regard to 54 Humphrey Street, the alternative would have been legal proceedings, and the town would have foreclosed on the property.

Richard Buturla stated what happens under this ordinance, and similar ordinances, the fines convert to a lien and the lien takes priority over the mortgage. He stated they commenced the foreclosure. There were complicating factors including a death and no estate open. Ever Bank had their own foreclosure going but it commenced and sat. He stated this wasn't a situation where the homeowners were trying to go through the remediation process to try to resolve this. This was a situation where the people walked away. The husband passed away. They obtained a judgement of strict foreclosure. The bank came up with \$60,950 to pay off all the fines and attorney's fees. He stated the property was appraised at 25,000.

Kurt stated \$7,100 of the \$60,950 will go towards counsel fees.

Len stated residents have voiced concerns with regard to health and safety in regard to 54 Humphrey Street.

Mike stated the Health Department went there and they stated the rats need to be visible.

Richard Buturla stated Mike has certain constraints under the Blight Ordinance and the public health officials may have greater discretion in terms of what they can do. There are also potential issues with the building code.

Mike discussed what happened with Seymour Lumber. He discussed the process he went through.

Karen inquired if 54 Humphrey Street was part of an estate.

Rich Buturla stated a husband and wife owned the property and the husband died. The property was in survivorship and there was no estate opened.

ITEM #11: Discussion and take possible action regarding renewal of Broad Street Park lease with State of CT.

Kurt read letter as follows:

Dear Mr. Miller,

The subject Lease Agreement will expire on December 31, 2015. In accordance with Article 4 on page 2 of the Lease Agreement, you have an option to renew the Lease Agreement for an additional five (5) year period of time. There shall remain no rental fee for the option period. All other terms and conditions of the subject Lease Agreement shall remain in full force and effect. The term of the option is for a five-year period which will commence on January 1, 2016 and end on December 31, 2021.

If you are in agreement to exercise this option, please execute this form on the signature line and return is prior to the termination date of the current Lease Agreement. Failure to exercise your renewal option and submit an ACORD insurance certificate by this date will result in the termination of the Lease Agreement. Once terminated, a \$500.00 administrative fee will be imposed for the preparation of a new lease agreement.

If you have any questions, please contact Shandi Wong the Property Agent assigned to the file.

Very truly yours,

Mark DeCapua

Supervising Property Agent

Leasing Section

Division of Rights of Way

Town Counsel, Richard Buturla stated the current lease and the new lease are exactly the same.

Motion to allow the First Selectman to sign the lease with the State of Connecticut for the property located on River Road, also known as Broad Street Park, for a five (5) year period that will commence on January 1, 2015 and end on December 21, 2021.

Motion: Nicole Klarides-Ditria

Second: Len Greene, Jr.

Vote: 7-Yes

0-No

0-Abstain

W. Kurt Miller – Yes

Nicole Klarides-Ditria – Yes

Annamarie Drugonis – Yes

Karen Stanek – Yes
Al Bruno – Yes

Len Greene, Jr. – Yes

Paul Roy – Yes

ITEM #12: Discussion and take possible action regarding fiscal year 2015 municipal audit extension.

Doug Thomas, Finance Director, stated there is a new reporting standard which is reporting on pensions. The auditors need information from the state. He stated this is a precaution in case the state doesn't issue the information in time.

Motion to allow the Town of Seymour to file an extension request for filing financial and state simple audits for fiscal year 2015.

Motion: Nicole Klarides-Ditria

Second: Al Bruno

Vote: 7-Yes 0-No

0-Abstain

W. Kurt Miller – Yes

Nicole Klarides-Ditria – Yes

Annmarie Drugonis – Yes

Karen Stanek – Yes

Len Greene, Jr. – Yes

Paul Roy – Yes

Al Bruno – Yes

ITEM #13: Discussion and take possible action regarding possible reimbursement for Howard Allen.

Kurt read letter from Howard Allen as follows:

To Whom It May Concern,

I have previously submitted a claim for damage to my vehicle from an incident that occurred on August 5, 2015 on Clinton Road in Seymour, CT. I filed a report with the Seymour Police Department as instructed and a full submittal to Michelle Wasikowski. Subsequently, on September 10, 2015 I received a response letter from Trident Insurance stating that my claim was being denied. The denial stated that "Pursuant to Connecticut General Statute 13a-149 a municipality cannot be held liable for damages sustained as a result of a defect in public way, unless they had prior notice that the defective condition existed for a sufficient length of time or was such a dangerous character the municipality by exercise of reasonable care could have discovered and remedied it. According to the authority, they were not aware of the defect on Clinton Road in this area until after your accident."

In response to these claims by your insurance carrier I have attached photos that clearly display that the Town of Seymour did indeed have prior notice of the defect in the public way and had in fact had repaired a section of pot holes in said roadway just prior to the area that caused my loss. In the attached photos that I took the day after the incident the photo on page 2 on the left clearly shows a section of roadway where fresh asphalt repairs had been made. After I filed a work request to the town of Seymour, they made repairs to the additional damaged roadway on Clinton Road just beyond the previously repaired area. As for the length of time to know and repair said damage, these pot holes were in my estimation a result of a severe winter with many storms that would have required heavy snow plow traffic. If this assumption is accepted as a reasonable explanation then having not repaired the roadway from spring (March time frame) to September would have been more than adequate time to discover this poor road condition. This is in no way intended to be a condemnation of the Public Works Department as I am sure they do their best to make the roadways safe for those who pass.

Sincerely,

Howard Allen

Kurt stated the damages totaled \$170.05.

Motion to reimburse Howard Allen in the amount of \$170.05 that was incurred for the damage to his car from a pothole found on Clinton Road.

Motion: Nicole Klarides-Ditria

Second: Karen Stanek

Vote: 7-Yes 0-No

0-Abstain

W. Kurt Miller – Yes

Nicole Klarides-Ditria – Yes

Annmarie Drugonis – Yes

Karen Stanek – Yes

Len Greene, Jr. – Yes

Paul Roy – Yes

Al Bruno – Yes

ITEM #14: Discussion and take possible action regarding tax abatement agreement for JD Greenwood.

Kurt stated this is something that was previously approved. All of the information has been presented and Town Counsel has put an agreement together. JD Greenwood has invested \$481,365.00 and the town has agreed to give them 50% incentive for 3 years as they fall in the \$50,000-\$499,000 class.

ITEM #15: Discussion and take possible action regarding WPCA contract.

Richard Buturla stated the town went forward with an RFP process for an operator for the WPCA facility and system. Veolia submitted a proposal. The town and WPCA are interested in moving forward with Veolia. They submitted a contract and essentially is the same as the current contract. Richard worked on it with Attorney Ray Sous who represents WPCA.

ITEM #16: Discussion and take possible action regarding 2016 Board of Selectmen meeting schedule.

Motion to accept the 2016 regular meeting schedule of the Board of Selectmen as presented.

Motion: Nicole Klarides-Ditria

Second: Al Bruno

Vote: 6-Yes 0-No

1-Abstain

W. Kurt Miller – Yes

Nicole Klarides-Ditria – Yes

Annmarie Drugonis – Yes

Karen Stanek – Yes

Len Greene, Jr. – Yes

Paul Roy – Abstain

Al Bruno – Yes

ITEM #17: Discussion and take possible action regarding proposed budget process revision.

Kurt stated the 10-Year Strategic Planning Committee wanted to set structure to the budget process to help residents understand when voting might take place.

Rory Burke stated one thing he hears from residents is that they don't know when the referendums are. He stated this is an attempt to standardize it as much as possible within the current constraints of the charter.

Kurt stated he would like feedback on it and once the board is comfortable with it, it could be taken to the Board of Finance. He stated the goal is to get more people to vote in the referendum.

Paul stated that at some Board of Finance workshops they were discussing things that are not under the agenda. They need to be careful and make sure they are clear on what they can and cannot do.

ITEM #18: Discussion and take possible action regarding LED street light conversion.

Kurt stated there are no current updates. He stated they are waiting for an opinion from Eversource. He stated they can potentially use the \$10,000 grant to pay for audit. He stated this will be kept on the agenda.

ITEM #19: Executive session.

None.

ITEM #20: Appointments.

None.

ITEM #21: Tax Refunds/Abatements.

Motion to accept October 29, 2015 Tax Refunds/Abatements as presented.

Motion: Len Greene, Jr.

Second: Al Bruno

Vote: 7-Yes 0-No

0-Abstain

W. Kurt Miller – Yes

Nicole Klarides-Ditria – Yes

Annmarie Drugonis – Yes

Karen Stanek – Yes

Len Greene, Jr. – Yes

Paul Roy – Yes

Al Bruno – Yes

Motion to accept November 16, 2015 Tax Refunds/Abatements as presented.

Motion: Al Bruno

Second: Annmarie Drugonis

Vote: 7-Yes 0-No

0-Abstain

W. Kurt Miller – Yes
Karen Stanek – Yes
Al Bruno – Yes

Nicole Klarides-Ditria – Yes
Len Greene, Jr. – Yes

Annmarie Drugonis – Yes
Paul Roy – Yes

ITEM #22: Transfers.

Kurt read memo from Anthony Caserta, Operations Manager as follows:

The Town of Seymour Public Works Department has extensive equipment issues that have created a backlog on the availability of repairs that can be completed. It has come to our attention that some trucks are in need of repairs which could render them unsafe to drive. These safety concerns require immediate repairs. The budget line item 1-001-430-4110-570-430 currently does not have sufficient funds. Therefore, I would like to request an emergency authorization to make the necessary repairs until this issue can be properly addressed. On first analysis, we estimated a substantial financial commitment to make these repairs. Our estimate is \$45,000. We will prudently make repairs until we can obtain the proper funding.

*Anthony Caserta
Director of Operations*

Motion to accept Control #2: \$45,000.00 coming from Other Contingency and going to Public Works, Repairs and Maintenance.

Motion: Annmarie Drugonis

Second: Len Greene, Jr.

Vote: 7-Yes 0-No

0-Abstain

W. Kurt Miller – Yes

Nicole Klarides-Ditria – Yes

Annmarie Drugonis – Yes

Karen Stanek – Yes

Len Greene, Jr. – Yes

Paul Roy – Yes

Al Bruno – Yes

Al inquired about the extensive issues.

Kurt stated there are more extensive issues with the trucks than they initially thought. He stated they want to make sure that the plowing equipment is in good shape.

Paul inquired about the number of vehicles that will need work.

Kurt stated all 16 trucks will be sent out to inspection to an outside source.

ITEM #23: Correspondence.

- Check registers.
- Two resignation letters from two of the members of Inland Wetlands Commission.
- Letter from the Department of Public Health renewing our Heart Safe designation.
- Savings report from the prescription drug plan.
- Letter to Kurt from Richard Buturla regarding a \$43,872.00 check from the Sharlanco case.
- An adult probation letter regarding the damage that was done by a Seymour resident to Sochrin's Pond.
- Richard Buturla's opinion on a matter regarding a newly elected Planning & Zoning Commission member.
- Letter from Naugatuck Valley Health District announcing they have been accredited for five years from the Public Health Accreditation Board.
- Letter from Culture & Arts Commission placing their support behind 2016 Preservation in Place Grant application.
- Letter from the Valley Community Foundation identifying the grant that the Town of Seymour has.
- Kurt stated he left out a letter from Chief Metzler regarding the crosswalk at Broad Street Park and will email it out to the board members.

ITEM #24: Public Comment.

Michael Flynn, 85 Skokorat Street, inquired about candidates applying for the Public Works Director position.

ITEM #25: Selectmen’s Public Comments.

Karen Stanek stated she attended two Veteran’s Day ceremonies, one at French Memorial Park and one at Broad Street Park. She stated they were both wonderful and patriotic. She inquired about changing the announcement board near the elevator in Town Hall because under the Board of Selectmen it says 7:30 P.M. and should read 7:00 P.M.

Kurt stated they cannot find the key to open the door.

Paul Roy stated he attended the Seymour High School Sports Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony and it was very well done. He commended the board members who put the ceremony together.

Nicole Klarides-Ditria stated she attended two of the of the Veteran’s Day ceremonies, one at the Seymour Middle School and one on Bridge Street. She stated it was an honor to be there and to honor our veterans. She congratulated the new members of the Seymour High School Sports Hall of Fame.

Al Bruno thanked the people of Seymour for the opportunity to serve on the board for another two years.

Annmarie Drugonis attended the Bridge Street Veteran’s Day Ceremony and stated it was an honor to be a part of it. She thought the adults and kids did a great job.

Kurt stated the town is accepting applications for the Public Works Director position through the end of the month. They will recommend 2 candidates to the Board of Selectmen. Professionals in that field will interview these candidates. He stated we have drastically expanded the qualifications of a Public Works Director. The Inauguration Ceremony will be held Monday December 7, 2015 at 6:00 PM. Formal invitations will go out as the event gets closer.

ITEM #26: Adjournment.

Motion to adjourn at 8: 30 P.M.

Motion: Annmarie Drugonis

Vote: 7-Yes 0-No

W. Kurt Miller – Yes

Karen Stanek – Yes

Al Bruno – Yes

Second: Karen Stanek

0-Abstain

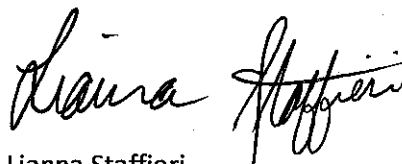
Nicole Klarides-Ditria – Yes

Len Greene, Jr. – Yes

Annmarie Drugonis – Yes

Paul Roy – Yes

Submitted by,


Lianna Staffieri
Recording Secretary

Reviewed by,


W. Kurt Miller
First Selectman