

Board of Selectmen
Grange Hall
September 7, 2011
Regular Meeting Minutes

Selectmen Present: Mark Walter, Emmett Lyman. Absent: Peter Govert.
Also Present: C. Behilo; E. Blaschik; S. Mackinnon, J. Stone; M. Stone; S. Wheeler

1. First Selectman Walter called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and the attendees said the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Approval of Agenda: Motion made by Mr. Walter, seconded by Mr. Lyman, to approve the agenda as written. Unanimous aye.

3. Approval of Minutes: Regular Meeting of August 3, 2011: Motion made by Mr. Walter, seconded by Mr. Lyman, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 3, 2011 as written. Unanimous aye.

4. Correspondence: Mr. Walter reported that he had received several letters from East Haddam citizens expressing their thanks for the emergency management communications that went out after Hurricane Irene. He noted that he had also received a few complaints and the attendees discussed the nature of the complaints.

5. First Selectman's Report

A. Storm Recap: Mr. Walter stated that the Everbridge emergency communication system worked well. He noted that East Hampton also used public signs to communicate information about their emergency centers and services and that East Haddam will consider incorporating that process into their emergency communication plans. There was a general discussion regarding the utilities' response to the East Haddam power and phone outages.

In response to a question from Mr. Behilo, Mr. Walter advised that the Town will hire a contractor to chip the tree limbs and brush that was deposited on the grounds of the old Middle School.

6. Citizen's Concerns: There were no citizens' concerns discussed at the meeting.

7. Unfinished Business

A. 4-8 Middle School: There was no update on this agenda item.

B. Goodspeed Opera House Update: Mr. Walter reported that Gov. Malloy had visited the Riverboat and toured the new actors housing earlier in the day.

C. Old Middle School/Middle School Conversion Committee: There was no update on this agenda item.

D. Internet Usage Policy Discussion: The Selectmen agreed to table the discussion of the Internet Usage Policy for this meeting.

8. New Business:

A. Grant Award – FY 2010 Emergency Management Performance Grant-Equipment, Training and Exercise Program: Mr. Walter advised that the Town had been awarded a \$10,000.00 grant from the Connecticut Department of Emergency Management & Homeland Security for the following items: a LCD Projector, a Backup High Band Radio & Antenna, a 42” Flat Screen Monitor, UPS for PC’s, and EOC Electrical Work.

Motion made by Mr. Walter, seconded by Mr. Lyman, to accept a grant in the amount of \$10,000.00 from the State of Connecticut, Department of Emergency Management and Homeland Security, entitled “FY 2010 Emergency Management Performance Grant-Equipment, Training and Exercise Program”, and send acceptance of said grant to the Board of Finance and then to Town Meeting for approval. Unanimous aye.

B. Bid Award – Reappraisal & Revaluation of Real Property: Mr. Walter called the Selectmen’s attention to a memo in their meeting packet, dated August 25, 2011, from Loreta Zdanys, the Town’s Assessor, recommending the Vision Government Solutions for the Town’s revaluation company. Mr. Walter noted that Vision Government Solutions’ bid was \$98,200.00 and the two other competing bids were \$103,000.00 and \$145,400.00

Motion made by Mr. Walter, seconded by Mr. Lyman, to award the bid for the Reappraisal & Revaluation of Real Property to Vision Government Solutions, Inc. in the amount of \$98,200.00. Unanimous aye.

C. Commission Reappointments: Mr. Walter called the Selectmen’s attention to an email from Tiffany Quinn on behalf of the Recreation Commission recommending reappoints.

Motion made by Mr. Walter, seconded by Mr. Lyman, to reappoint Michael Michalski, Kevin Conway and Charles Grillo as regular members on the Recreation Commission for three-year terms to expire June 30, 2014. Unanimous aye.

D. Volunteer of the Month: Mr. Walter called the Selectmen’s attention to a Volunteer of the Month recommendation from Mrs. Anne Lemke in their meeting packets. He read Mrs. Lemke’s nomination of Dean Delloiacono into the record and noted that Mr. Delloiacono “... *has such positive team spirit ... [and] put in countless hours over the past two years as a volunteer for girls’ softball and is respected by all the players and families*”.

Motion made by Mr. Walter, seconded by Mr. Lyman, to name Dean Delloiacono as volunteer of the month for August 2011. Unanimous aye.

E. Tax Refunds: Mr. Walter called the Selectmen’s attention to four tax refunds.

Motion made by Mr. Walter, seconded by Mr. Lyman, to award tax refunds in the amounts presented.

- \$216.55 to Nissan Infiniti LT
- \$215.11 to DCFS Trust
- \$ 36.10 to CAB East LLC
- \$ 29.78 to Bridget O. Dean

Unanimous aye.

9. Public Comment: There was no public comment at this meeting.
10. Selectmen's Discussion: There was no additional Selectmen's discussion.
11. Adjournment: There being no additional regular business to discuss, a motion was made by Mr. Lyman, seconded by Mr. Walter, to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m. Unanimous aye.

Respectfully submitted,

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Emmett Lyman, Secretary