

**Killingworth Board of Selectmen
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1. Call to Order

The Killingworth Board of Selectmen held its regular meeting on Monday, May 13, 2013, at the Killingworth Town Office Building, 323 Route 81, Killingworth, Connecticut. In attendance were First Selectwoman Catherine Iino, Selectman Fred Dudek and Selectman Lou Annino, Jr. (arrived at 7:15 PM). First Selectwoman Iino called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

3. Approval of Minutes

Motion by Dudek, second by Iino, to approve April 22, 2013 Minutes amended as follows -

- ✦ **Under 3a. Fish and Wildlife Service Agreement, 1st paragraph, 9th sentence should read, "If for any reason the Town wanted to discontinue the contract and notified the Service 30 days prior, the Town would have to pay \$500 less than the Town would have to pay to rent the equipment."**
- ✦ **Under 8. Old Business, A. Crack Sealing Bid, 1st paragraph, 2nd sentence should read, "He noted when the bids were opened there was some discussion about whether there was a plan in place."**
- ✦ **Under 4. Visitor's Comments, 1st paragraph, 1st sentence, correct spelling of the word "Dinner".**
- ✦ **Under 4. Visitor's Comments, 1st paragraph, 8th and 9th sentences should read, "It was noted the Middle School has been ranked among top schools in the State. Selectman Annino noted Haddam-Killingworth High School should be at the top of the list."**
- ✦ **Under 11. Selectmen's Comments, add sentence to 2nd paragraph, "Therefore the Board agreed to take up the two appointments set aside earlier in the meeting."**

Voting in favor – Dudek, Iino. Opposed – none. Motion Carried.

Motion by Dudek, second by Iino, to approve May 3, 2013 Minutes as written. Voting in favor – Dudek, Iino. Opposed – none. Motion Carried.

4. Visitor's Comments – none.

5. Tax Abatements & Refunds – none.

6. Vacancies on Appointive Committees

The following vacancies are noted as shown on the Agenda – Conservation Commission – 1,

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Historic Review – 2, Open Space – 1, Town Office Building – 1, Energy Task Force – 2, Housing Partnership – 6, Parmelee Steering – 3, Traffic Safety – 1, Health & Safety – 1, Public Health – 2.

7. Appointments

Motion by Iino, second by Dudek, to appoint Todd Hajek to Town Office Building Committee for term ending 12/31/13. Voting in favor – Iino, Dudek. Opposed – none. Motion Carried.

Motion by Iino, second by Dudek, to appoint Joan Gay to the Estuary Transit District Board for a term ending 12/31/15. Voting in favor – Iino, Dudek. Opposed – none. Motion Carried.

8. Old Business

A. LOCIP

The Multi-Year Capital Improvement Plan dated May 2013 was distributed. Gina Regolo noted she and First Selectwoman Iino will be discussing this list with the Board of Finance tomorrow evening. It was noted it is the Board of Selectmen's responsibility to illustrate the long range needs and recommend those needs to the Board of Finance. The purpose of this document is not to approve those expenditures but to have a Multi-Year Capital Improvement Plan. The list was reviewed in detail, several changes were suggested. The list will be updated and brought back before the BOS at the next meeting.

It is noted for the Selectman Annino arrived during this discussion.

B. Ambulance Association Benefits: Mark Clifton, President, KAA

First Selectwoman Iino noted historically the Town has benefited from the Ambulance Association and the Town relies on it. Over the last couple of years the question has come up as to how certain costs would be handled. The Ambulance Association now has a source of revenue which others, KVFC, do not. Ms. Regolo noted Workers' Compensation Insurance has been the responsibility of the Killingworth Ambulance Association.

There was discussion regarding Life Insurance and Disability Insurance. First Selectwoman Iino noted she was under the impression after attending a meeting a couple years ago that the KAA was taking on the cost for Life Insurance. Selectman Dudek noted there is a Disability Insurance that both the Fire Company and the Ambulance share. This was implemented in 1990 along with the Pension.

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Mr. Clifton reviewed the \$50 stipend. He noted there is an incredible amount of time and commitment involved. He further noted the whole social dynamic has changed. There aren't as many people working in Town as there used to be. The stipend helps to a degree. There was discussion regarding the tax rebate and if an individual gets the rebate, is it legal to get the stipend.

Selectman Annino asked Mr. Clifton to explain the structure of the organization. Mr. Clifton noted there is an Ambulance Board of 13 members who meet once a month. Responsibilities are spread out amongst different committees. He indicated there are 25 members on the roster with 14 that are active. He also noted the KAA subsidizes the cost of the EMT courses. They usually sponsor about \$4000 a year for those courses. Last year it was \$2800. Last year they spent \$27,000 for medical supplies (that also includes the KVFC). He has asked for a breakdown of that amount.

It was noted the KAA owns the assets and leases the building from the Town. The costs for training and equipment has gone up. The ambulance is replaced usually every 10 years.

Selectman Annino asked if the KAA has By-Laws that control spending. Mr. Clifton replied yes, there is a budget and anything over that budget must go before the Board. It was also noted they are audited every year as a non-profit organization by an outside accounting firm.

Mr. Clifton noted they are pretty flexible and there has now been a change in leadership. First Selectwoman Iino reiterated there is a stream of funding coming in now that could cover the expenses of the Ambulance Corps. She also noted this is not to say that what the Ambulance Corps does is not of tremendous value to the Town. Mr. Haaga asked what the cost would be to the Town for a private company to provide this service if enough volunteers weren't available.

The two unresolved items were Life Insurance and Pension.

First Selectwoman Iino commended and sends the Board's appreciation to the Killingworth Ambulance Association. Selectman Annino also thanked the KAA very much for all its does for the Town. Mr. Clifton noted the KAA could not do what it does without the support of the Fire Company. The two organizations really complement each other.

9. New Business

- A. Fire Alarm Upgrade for Town Office Building.

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Selectman Dudek gave an update as to the Fire Alarm Upgrade for the Town Office Building. He noted this was supposed to have been replaced about 30 years ago. There is no fire alarm in the rear section of the building. The alarm in the other part of the building has been disabled externally as the terminals are all corroded. Dudek noted he is checking with Honeywell to see if the heads have to be changed. Conduits are in and a new cable has to be pulled. He will pursue this and find out the cost which should be minimal if its just the heads that need replacing.

10. CI Comments

First Selectwoman Iino distributed and briefly reviewed a letter from the Connecticut Department of Transportation dated April 25, 2013 RE: High Risk Rural Roads. This will be on the next meeting agenda.

First Selectwoman Iino distributed and briefly reviewed the Connecticut Neighborhood Assistance Act Tax Credit Program from the Connecticut Department of Revenue Services. Iino noted this does not cost the Town anything. She would like to pursue this for Energy Conservation Projects and Open Space Acquisition Fund. Under this Program, the Town would have to hold a Public Hearing and it would have to be approved by the Governing Body of the Town.

11. Selectmen's Comments

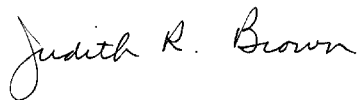
Selectman Dudek asked if there was any feedback on the Prescription Program. First Selectwoman Iino noted about 80 people have participated in the first 6 months.

There was a brief discussion regarding the footprint of the compactor.

12. Adjournment

Motion by Dudek, second by Annino, to adjourn at 8:40 PM. Voting in favor – Dudek, Annino, Iino. Opposed – none. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Judith R. Brown, Recording Secretary