

**Minutes of the
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Tuesday, February 21, 2017 @6:00 p.m.
TOWN OFFICE BUILDING**

A meeting of the Board of Selectmen was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by First Selectwoman Catherine Iino. In attendance were Selectman Lou Annino Jr, Selectman Fred Dudek and Finance Director Regina Regolo.

A motion by Dudek, seconded by Annino, to approve the following refunds passed unanimously.

Mazda Capital Services	\$59.93	Overpayment
Eugene or Catherine Gargiulo	\$40.00	Overpayment
Katharine L. Faber	\$77.43	MVS error
Earl C. or Anna J. Tourgee	\$23.09	Overpayment
Sarah M. or Jeremy A. Goeden	\$22.96	Overpayment
James P. or Carolyn Dinapoli	\$15.33	Overpayment

Killingworth Library Association - Alison Karam and Jan O’Sullivan, representing the Killingworth Library Association, presented their request for funding for the 17/18 fiscal year. They thanked the town for the on-going support. They presented statistics regarding the volume of services provided. They are requesting a 2.5% increase from the town or an additional \$6,175. The majority of the increase will cover the cost of additional part time personnel. The library provides the town with a monthly report which illustrates their actual expenditures as it compares to their budget.

Killingworth Volunteer Fire Company - Chief Arnie Moore, Brian Mahoney, Todd Hajek, and Rick Darin, representing the KVFC, presented their request for funding for the 17/18 fiscal year – operating and capital as well as their revised Multi Year Capital Improvement Plan. The board asked for some historical information with regard to actual operating expenditures. Chief Moore said that they should be able to provide that information. They are asking for a 2.4% increase or an additional \$3,000. With regard to their capital requests, Selectman Dudek questioned the necessity of upgrading radios all at once rather than considering a phased approach. Chief Moore agreed that it might be possible but with regard to the hand held radios it would be better and safer if everyone was using the same style radio and using the same style radio at each call. They expect that purchase would be made by vendors already under state contract, which would eliminate the need for the town to bid the project. There was further discussion about changes to the multi-year plan including perhaps “re-chassis-ing” the Heavy Rescue truck proposed for Year 2 (18/19) of the MYCIP rather than purchasing an entirely new truck. With regard to the Station 1 Renovations, both sides agreed that this would be more likely to come after some internal study and needs analysis, followed by architectural and engineering services, the expenses for which would fall after next year. The board thanked the volunteers for their service.

Estuary Transit District - Joan Gay, representing the Estuary Transit District, presented their request for funding for the 17/18 fiscal year. The organization is under pressure due to cuts from the state. They were forced to increase fares between 9 to 10% in January, but it hasn't appeared to affect ridership yet. They are asking for a 5% increase or an additional \$1,062. The bus route through town has been approved and will be in operation in 17/18. The board thanked Mrs. Gay for her work championing the needs of Killingworth and helping to make things happen.

Parmelee Farm Committee - Tim Gannon, Peg Scofield, and Terry Doyle, representing the Parmelee Farm Committee, presented their request for funding for the 17/18 fiscal year – operating and capital as well as their revised Multi-Year Capital Improvement Plan. They discussed the proposed increase in the operating budget, and together the group determined the number might be a bit too high. If we outsource the mowing, there may still be some expenses for mowing of smaller areas that volunteers may continue to be responsible for, but expenses should be less overall than the \$22,400 requested. There was some discussion about the possibility of Parmelee becoming an independent organization in the future. The committee has researched this and determined that it is not ready to recommend such a spin off at the moment. Selectwoman lino explained the current situation with regard to the proposed governor's budget and the looming deep cuts in revenue to the town. The Parmelee Farm has requested \$35,000 in capital funds, of which \$7,000 were not linked to a specific project. The board suggested that they might reduce the request by that amount. The board thanked the committee members for their tremendous efforts and commitment to Parmelee Farm, an increasingly popular destination for community events and recreation.

Regolo reminded board that there will be a special meeting on Thursday, February 23, 2017 at 6 p.m. to discuss the Road Survey and capital and operating requests for the Highway and Sanitation Departments. Highway foreman Walter Adametz and Town Engineer Tom Fenton will be in attendance.

Motion by Selectman Annino, seconded by Selectwoman lino to adjourn at 8:00 p.m.
Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Regina Regolo
Acting Recording Secretary