



BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday June 10, 2020
Virtual Zoom Meeting– 6:30 PM

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – A meeting of the Board of Selectmen (BOS) was held on Wednesday June 10, 2020 at the Town Hall Meeting Room. First Selectman Hayden called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Selectman Doering was present.
2. **PUBLIC COMMENT**– None
3. **CORRESPONDENCE** – April Treasurer Report, CCSWA Meeting, Bradley Main Gate, Old Church Road GPS Issues, Department Transfers
4. **MINUTES** – Selectman Doering made a motion to accept the June 3, 2020 minutes as presented. Seconded by First Selectman Hayden. **Motion Carried.** Selectman Doering made a motion to accept the June 8, 2020 minutes as presented. Seconded by First Selectman Hayden. **Motion Carried.**
5. **OLD BUSINESS** –
 - a. **Tax Incentives** – No new information.
 - b. **School Town Building Committee Report** – The committee is working diligently on a solution for the Allgrove Elementary School Air Conditioning project. The options that are being explored are more challenging as they are more expensive than original estimate. Paving is continuing in the Adams Road neighborhood, and the Metacomet Drive neighborhood has been completed. All School and Town roofs have been completed with the exception of a couple of small items.
 - c. **Economic Development Report** – The Economic Development Officers and members of the EDC continue to reach out and provide resources to local businesses. They are also connecting companies together who have had layoffs due to Covid-19 who may have employees able to relocate to other companies. Part-time Officer Adam Tkaczuk is holding a Webinar on the Triple P Program explaining how small businesses can qualify for loan forgiveness.

Selectman Doering made a motion to add **6(c) Appointments** to the Agenda. Seconded by First Selectman Hayden. **Motion Carried.**

6. NEW BUSINESS –

a. Set the Date and Call for Town Meeting – Selectman Doering made the following motion:

Notice is hereby given that a Special Town Meeting of the Town of East Granby, Connecticut will be held via Zoom on Tuesday, June 23, 2020 at 7:30 pm for the following purposes:

1. To elect a moderator.
2. To consider and act upon the closure the closure of the Fire Department UTV, Fire Department Air Pack Replacement Bottles and the Senior/Community Center Kitchen Renovation and to return existing funds to the Capital Fund as recommended by the Boards of Selectmen and Finance.
3. To consider and act upon the closure of School Technology, School Telephone System, Allgrove Parking Lot, MS/HS HVAC Expansion, Allgrove Fuel Tank and Allgrove Hot Water Heater Conversion and to return existing funds to the Capital Fund as recommended by the Boards of Education and Finance.
4. To consider and act upon the appropriation of a sum not to exceed \$49,617 from the Capital Non-Recurring Fund to purchase and equip a new police vehicle as recommended by the Boards of Selectmen and Finance. Any unexpended funds are to be returned to the Capital Fund.
5. To consider and act upon the appropriation of a sum not to exceed \$150,000 from the Capital Non-Recurring Fund for the refurbishment of Engine 3 as recommended by the Boards of Selectmen and Finance. Any unexpended funds are to be returned to the Capital Fund.
6. To consider and act upon the appropriation of a sum not to exceed \$65,816 from the Capital Non-Recurring Fund to purchase a Senior Mini-Bus as recommended by the Boards of Selectmen and Finance. Any unexpended funds are to be returned to the Capital Fund.
7. To consider and act upon the appropriation of a sum not to exceed \$39,000 from the Capital Non-Recurring Fund to replace the camera server at RD Seymour School as recommended by the Boards of Education and Finance. Any unexpended funds are to be returned to the Capital Fund.
8. To consider and act upon the appropriation of sum not to exceed \$59,600 from the Capital Non-Recurring Fund for School Technology as recommended by the Boards

of Education and Finance. Any unexpended funds are to be returned to the Capital Fund.

Dated in East Granby Connecticut this 10th day of June 2020

James M. Hayden, First Selectman
Joe Doering, Selectman

Seconded by First Selectman Hayden. **Motion Carried.**

- b. Discussion Regarding Potential Increase of WPCA Rates** – First Selectman Hayden stated that the last sewer rate increase was in 2018. He also said that the MDC has had significant rate increases in the past two years. In January 2020, the MDC increased their sewer rates by 17%. The current expenses through the ten months of this year is \$306,000, anticipating about a \$110,000 loss in the current year. The sewer user fee currently is \$4.10 CCF and the recommendation is to increase the fee to \$5.15 CCF effective July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021. While this is a significant increase, it reflects the MDC increases as the town passes on the cost.

Selectman Doering made the following motion:

Whereas the current sewer user fees are a flat fee of \$255.00 and \$4.10 CCF for water usage above 40.08 CCF. The Board of Selectmen acting as the WPCA propose that effective July 1, 2020 that each residential sewer user is to be charged a fixed sewer use charge of \$300.00 for the billing period of 7/1/2020 - 6/30/2021.

Additionally, each commercial/industrial sewer user is to be charged a minimum sewer use charge of \$300.00 for the billing period of 7/1/2020 – 6/30/2021 for water usage up to 40.08 CCF. All water usage above 40.08 CCF is to be charged at a rate of \$5.15/CCF for the billing period 7/1/2020 – 6/30/2021.

All rates are to remain in effect until amended.

Seconded by First Selectman Hayden. **Motion Carried.**

- c. Appointments** – Selectman Doering made a motion to appoint Maureen Emery as an Alternate of the Commission on Aging. Seconded by First Selectman Hayden. **Motion Carried.**

7. PUBLIC COMMENT – None

8. ADJOURN – Selectman Doering made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by First Selectman Hayden. **Motion Carried** at 6:55pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Nicole Sokolowski