



BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday June 23, 2021
Town Hall Meeting Room – 6:30 PM

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – A meeting of the East Granby Board of Selectmen (BOS) was held on Wednesday June 23, 2021, at the Town Hall Meeting Room. First Selectman Hayden called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Selectman Doering was present. Selectwoman Wimpfheimer joined the board at 6:35 pm.

2. **PUBLIC COMMENT** – None

3. **APPOINTMENT** – The Republican Town Committee has nominated Eden Wimpfheimer for the vacant Selectman position on the Board of Selectmen. Selectman Doering made a motion to appoint Eden Wimpfheimer as Selectwomen on the Board of Selectmen. Seconded by First Selectman Hayden. **Motion Approved Unanimously.**

Selectman Doering made a motion to reappoint Ryan Selig as the Animal Control Officer for a term of July 1, 2021, to June 30, 2022. Seconded by Selectwoman Wimpfheimer. **Motion Approved Unanimously.**

4. **CORRESPONDENCE** – Parks & Rec Summer Concerts, WPCA Rate Hearing June 30, 2021, FEMA Adjustment, FY22 State Budget Impact on East Granby, East Granby Greater Together Community Fund Grant Application, Bea Adams Bequest

5. **MINUTES** – Selectman Doering made a motion to accept the June 8, 2021, Special Meeting Minutes as presented. Seconded by First Selectman Hayden. **Motion Carried** (Hayden Doering). Selectman Doering made a motion to accept the June 9, 2021, minutes as presented. Seconded by First Selectman Hayden. **Motion Carried** (Hayden Doering). Selectman Doering made a motion to accept the June 16, 2021, Special Meeting Minutes as presented. Seconded by First Selectman Hayden. **Motion Approved Unanimously** (Hayden Doering).

6. **OLD BUSINESS** –

a. **School Town Building Committee Report** – DPW is finishing paving in the Tunbridge Road neighborhood and will begin milling at the Ridge Road neighborhood within the next two weeks. Engineering is almost completed for the

Scour mediation project on Floydville Bridge. Anticipate approval from DEEP and Federal Riverways Department to proceed with this in project in the Fall. The Air Conditioning project at Allgrove has begun and is anticipated to be completed by August 1, 2021.

- b. Economic Development Report** – The Mixed-Use Development in Village Center Zone has been approved by the Inland and Wetland Commission and the Planning and Zoning Commission. Application was approved for the revised site plan for JB Hunt expanding truck parking, and regulation changes were approved for the Temporary Sign Regulation at the April Planning and Zoning meeting. Application was approved for Mr. Wilson’s revision of the Special Exception for East Granby Meadows, a 47 Planned Unit Development off of East Street, at the June 8th Planning and Zoning meeting. Planning and Zoning Application and Zoning Map Change to adopt Commerce Park Transitional Zone-B at Lot 44 Seymour Road, is scheduled for Public Hearing on July 27, 2021.
- c. Back Office Shared Services Opportunities** – No new information.
- d. “Draft” Tax Incentive Report from Economic Development Officers and Director** – The Board of Selectmen are considering a Commercial Construction Abatement and a Commercial Lease Vacancy Abatement to take to the Board of Finance and ultimately Town Meeting for approval. The Abatements are incentives which would be marketed to developers and business owners who are looking to do business in East Granby.
- e. Long-Term Recovery Committee Report** – The committee identified the following items for consideration by the Board of Selectmen regarding ARPA:

 - Additional support for social services and senior services so that there would be resources and time available should another event occur.
 - Additional support for community-based organization such as the Food Pantry so they could have the ability to scale up during another event.
 - Senior/Community Center upgrades so the facilities would be able to better deal with another event. Possible kitchen upgrades, furniture, broadband access, etc.
 - Emergency funding reserve for rent and utilities.
 - Possible hot spots in strategic areas such as where seniors reside so everyone could have access to the internet.
 - Technology devices such as iPads/tablets on hand to be loaned or accessed during an event so communication and resources could be accessed.
 - Technology training for those not comfortable with technology so they could access resources and information.
 - Additional support for social services and senior services to deal with isolation issues. phone tree, additional newsletters and correspondence, events, and visits.
 - Additional mental health resources, perhaps working other towns to provide support during times of crisis and difficulty.
 - Transportation and additional services for disabled residents that would help them during an event or crisis.

- Potential town event or fair to build community and highlight support services.
- Additional transportation at high demand times during another event or crisis.
- Additional support for the Health Districts allowing for increased resources and communication.
- Storage and supplies such as masks and gloves and medical items.
- Selectman Doering mentioned the Committee will continue to meet quarterly to hopefully anticipate some of the needs. To also continue to work on planning ahead.

7. NEW BUSINESS –

- a. Set BOS Special Meeting to Ratify Town Hall and DPW Contracts (6pm June 30, 2021)** – Selectwoman Wimpfheimer made a motion to hold a Special Board of Selectmen meeting on June 30, 2021, at 6pm to consider and act upon the ratification of the Town Hall and Department of Public Works Contracts. Seconded by Selectman Doering. **Motion Approved Unanimously.**
- b. American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Protocols and Controls** – The Board of Selectmen are working on ARPA protocols and controls for expenditures and transparency of federal grants. Protocols being considered include reporting expenditures and active projects on a monthly basis to the Board of Selectmen and Board of Finance; First Selectman administrative approval for projects under a certain amount and the Board of Selectmen approval for projects over a certain amount.

8. PUBLIC COMMENT – None

- 9. EXECUTIVE SESSION** – Selectman Doering made a motion to move into Executive Session at 7:00 pm to discuss Union Contract Negotiations. Seconded by Selectwoman Wimpfheimer. **Motion Approved Unanimously.** The Board of Selectmen exited Executive Session at 7:21 pm. No votes were taken.

- 10. ADJOURN** – Selectman Doering made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Selectwoman Wimpfheimer. **Motion Approved Unanimously** at 7:21 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Nicole Sokolowski