



BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday January 26, 2022

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 January 26, 2022 at the Town Hall Meeting Room. First Selectwoman called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Selectman Doering and Selectman Hall were present.
2. **PUBLIC COMMENT** – None
3. **CORRESPONDENCE** – American national Recovery Group, Inc., Fire Department Study
4. **MINUTES** – Selectman Doering made a motion to accept the January 12, 2022 minutes with the following revision to 5(b), which should read “The Board of Selectmen voted to approve the Railroad Ave Agreement as presented at it’s December 29, 2021 Special Meeting.” Seconded by Selectman Hall. **Motion Approved Unanimously.**
5. **OLD BUSINESS**
 - a. **School Town Building Committee** – No new information.
 - b. **Back Office Shared Services Opportunities** – No new information.
 - c. **Wildlife Crossing** – No new information. Tabled until Spring.
6. **NEW BUSINESS**
 - a. **Tax Refunds** – Selectman Hall made a motion to accept the Tax Refunds as presented. Seconded by Selectman Doering. **Motion Approved Unanimously.**
 - b. **FY23 Budget Shared Services Opportunities** – First Selectwomen Wimpfheimer presented to the Board of Finance the following Budget Drivers for Fiscal year 2023.
 - Unions: DPW – 2% salary and 1% increase to town 401 contribution. Town Hall 3 – % increase. Police 3.5 – % increase. We have been out of the salary

range of communities around us and we are playing catch up. Total all employees \$50,000.

- \$7,000 Market Salary Adjustment for Town Clerk.
- Fuel costs are up 40% over 2020 and early 2021 – about \$12,000 increase.
- Electricity carrying costs are increasing estimated to be \$10,000.
- \$15,000 will be added to Animal Control. We have used the Dog Fund to offset costs the past two years.
- The part time custodian was increased to full-time, assuming we could use ARPA funds to offset. Using ARPA may be a problem. This would add \$20,000 to the budget.
- We have fallen a little behind with public works repair and new equipment which would add \$30,000 - \$40,000
- Health Insurances (and related Insurances) are anticipated to be increasing due to new hires. W/C and Casualty are anticipated to increase approximately 5%.

c. Appointment – Selectman Hall made a motion to appoint Scott Lingenfelter as the new Town Attorney. Seconded by Selectman Doering. Selectman Doering asked Attorney Lingenfelter a couple questions regarding mandates from the Governor’s office, his views and where he stands on the protection of the Board of Selectmen. Selectman Hall stated that Attorney Lingenfelter’s tenure as a First Selectman will serve our interests because of his personal experience and is welcomed to have him. **Motion Approved Unanimously.**

d. Re-Appointments –Selectman Hall re-appointed Joe Doering on the Board of Directors for the Farmington Valley Health District. Seconded by First Selectwomen Wimpfheimer. **Motion Approved Unanimously.**

7. PUBLIC COMMENT – None

8. ADJOURN – Selectman Hall stated it is a tremendous honor for him to be here. He’s very proud to serve the people of East Granby. Selectman Doering made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Selectman Hall. **Motion Approved Unanimously** at 6:51pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Nicole Sokolowski