

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
REGULAR MEETING  
MARCH 3, 2015  
7:00 PM**

**PRESENT:** Kevin Lyden, Elbert Burr, Lewis Buckley, Robert Ross, Edward Chmielewski

**CALL TO ORDER:** K. Lyden called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**1. Approval of Minutes**

A) M/S/C (Ross/Burr) to approve the Board of Selectmen February 3, 2015 Regular Meeting minutes as presented.

**Vote: Approved unanimous**

**2. Correspondence/Public Comments:**

None

**3. Agenda Additions or Revisions:**

M/S/C (Lyden/Buckley) Addition to agenda: H) Appoint Ken Bondi to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

**Vote: Approved unanimous.**

**4. Agenda**

A) Resolution of Endorsement – Regional Performance Incentive Grant for Nutmeg Network (action item)

M/S/C (Ross/Lyden) to endorse the Resolution of Endorsement – Regional Performance Incentive Grant for Nutmeg Network.

**Vote: Approved unanimously.**

(see attached)

B) Girl Scout Day Proclamation (action item)

M/S/C (Chmielewski/Ross) to accept the Girl Scout Day Proclamation as presented.

**Vote: Approved unanimously.**

(see attached)

**C) Reappoint Jim Burke and Crispin Fresco-Hawes to the Recreation Commission (action item)**

**M/S/C (Buckley/ Chmielewski) to reappoint Jim Burke and Crispin Fresco-Hawes to the Recreation Commission.**

**Vote: Approved unanimously.**

**D) Set Board of Selectman Special Meeting to review 2015/2016 Budget for the week of March 9 (action item)**

Discussion took place; it was decided the Special Meeting to review the 2015/2016 Budget will be held on March 9, 2015, 6:00pm at Salem Town Hall.

**E) Executive Session for Legal Issues**

(out of order)

**M/S/C (Ross/ Burr) to begin Executive Session for Legal Issues at 7:39pm.**

**Vote: Approved unanimously.**

**M/S/C (Buckley/ Chmielewski) to end Executive Session for Legal Issues at 7:52pm.**

**Vote: Approved unanimously.**

**F) Additional Appropriation of \$9000 for Town Counsel 5-126-208 (action item)**

(out of order)

**M/S/C (Ross/Buckley) to approve an additional appropriation of \$9,000 for Town Counsel 5-126-208.**

**Vote: Approved unanimous.**

**G) Tax Refunds (action item)**

**M/S/C (Ross/ Chmielewski) the Board of Selectman direct the Town Treasurer to issue refunds in the amount of \$724.54 as recommend and certified by the Tax Collector as presented to the Board of Selectmen on February 3, 2015.**

**Vote: Approved unanimous.**

(see attached)

**H) Appoint Ken Bondi to the Zoning Board of Appeals**

**M/S/C (Lyden/Ross) to appoint Ken Bondi to the Zoning Board of Appeals.**

**Vote: Approved unanimous.**

**5. Reports**

**A. First Selectman –**

K. Lyden report Lisa Jablonski has filled the position in the Finance Office.

Lighting upgrades with LED lights will be done in the Library. Others offices in Town will be looked at for future savings.

The approximate expense of blizzard Colby for the Town was \$40,000.

- B. Public Works** – Public Works has been busy plowing. The salt and sand levels are fine for the Town.
- C. Building Department**- No report.
- D. Salem School Building Committee**- E. Burr reported the work on the exterior will be done as soon as the weather breaks.
- E. Board of Education** – E. Chmielewski reported the budget was reduced by \$83,000. The Salem student representatives for East Lyme present at each BOE meeting. Salem School was awarded a \$10,000 grant to study testing. George Jackson presented the BOS with bar charts for the 8<sup>th</sup> grade Mastery Tests along with a Connecticut Town comparison of school budgets. (see attached) The Salem School was awarded an “Excellence in Communication”.
- F. Board of Finance**- K. Lyden reported it is budget season.
- G. Planning and Zoning Commission** – E. Burr reported a public hearing was held.
- H. Inland Wetlands and Conservation Commission** – No report.
- I. Economic Development Commission**- K. Lyden reported the Commission has a brochure ready to be printed.
- J. Zoning Board of Appeals** – No report.
- K. Recreation Commission** – D. Weston reported summer programs are being planned.
- L. Public Safety** – No report.
- M. Transfer Station** – No report.
- N. Library Board**- L. Buckley reported the technology upgrade was presented to the BOF. The meeting room policy has been updated. The policy for donation of gifts has been updated: cash donations go to the Friends of the Library, material donations go to the Library.
- L. Buckley noted the Public Safety meetings are working through the survey document and the Committee has the best interest of the town in mind.

**6. Public Comment**- none

**Adjournment**

**M/C/S (Buckley/Chmielewski) to adjourn at 7:53 P.M.**

**Vote: Approved Unanimous**

**Respectfully Submitted**

**Diane Weston**

**Recording Secretary**