

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN
REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 5, 2013
7:00 PM**

PRESENT: Kevin Lyden, Robyn McKenney, Elbert Burr, Robert Ross, Lewis Buckley

CALL TO ORDER: K. Lyden called the meeting to order at 7:02 P.M.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

1. Approval of Minutes

M/S/C (Burr/Buckley) to approve the Board of Selectmen, January 8, 2013 Regular Meeting Minutes as presented.

Vote: Approved unanimous.

M/S/C (Burr/McKenney) to approve the Board of Selectmen, January 22, 2013 Special Meeting Minutes as amended.

Vote: Approved unanimous.

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The brake *cans* were replaced on the truck in December 2012 for under \$900.00.

2. Correspondence/Public Comments:

None

3. Agenda Additions or Revisions:

M/S/C (Lyden/Burr) to approve the changes to the agenda as follows:

A.) Endorse Resolution for SCCOG

B.) Review/Endorse waiver request re: driveway-279 Buckley Road

C.) Endorse Additional Appropriation for Gardner Lake Volunteer Fire Co. Furnace in the amount of \$14,200.00

D.) Endorse Additional Appropriation for the Salem Volunteer Fire Co. in the amount of \$8,475.00

E.) Recreation Trails Grant

F.) Reappoint Frank Sroka to the Economic Development Commission

G.) Discussion Disposal of Town Owned Property Valued at Under \$500.00

H.) Tax Collector Refunds

I.) Discuss Village Center Zone

Vote: Approved unanimous.

4. Agenda

A. Endorse Resolution for SCCOG

M/S/C (Lyden/Ross) to endorse the Resolution for Town of Salem Hazard Mitigation Plan Update as presented.

Vote: Approved unanimous.

(See attached)

B. Review/Endorse waiver request re: driveway-279 Buckley Road

M/S/C (Lyden/Ross) to approve the waiver request of the Town Road Ordinance regarding the driveway use at 279 Buckley Road for Multiple Family Development.

Vote: Approved unanimous.

(See attached)

C. Endorse Additional Appropriation for Gardner Lake Volunteer Fire Co. Furnace in the amount of \$14,200.00

M/S/C (Buckley/McKenney) to endorse additional appropriation for Gardner Lake Volunteer Fire Co. furnace in the amount of \$14,200.00.

Vote: Approved unanimous.

(See attached)

D. Endorse Additional Appropriation for Salem Volunteer Fire Co. in the amount of \$8,305.00

M/S/C (Burr/Ross) to endorse additional budget appropriation for tire and spring repair listed as: 1999 tanker (8 tires) for \$5,075.00, 1985 Forestry (4 tires) for \$1,255.00, and front and rear suspension for the Forestry for \$1,975.00 for the Salem Volunteer Fire Co. in the amount of \$8,305.00 to be added to the Salem Volunteer Fire Company's account #5-222-618.

Vote: Approved unanimous.

(See attached)

E. Recreation Trails Grant

M/S/C (Burr/McKenney) per section 505 of the Salem Town Charter, the Board of Selectmen authorize the First Selectmen to file application for the Recreational Trails Program Grant in the amount of \$224,880 with 80% of said grant reimbursable to the Town.

Vote: Approved unanimous.

F. Reappoint Frank Sroka to the Economic Development Commission

M/S/C (Ross/Buckley) to reappoint Frank Sroka to the Economic Development Commission.

Vote: Approved unanimous.

G. Discussion Disposal of Town Owned Property Valued at Under \$500.00

M/S/F (Buckley/Ross) to authorize the First Selectman for the duration of his current term in office to dispose of Town Owned Property valued at up to and including \$1,000.00.

Vote: For: Buckley, Ross Against: McKenney, Burr, Lyden

M/C/C (McKenney/Burr) the Board of Selectmen authorizes the First Selectman to sell or dispose of any Town owned property whose value is less than \$500.00.

Vote: Approved unanimous.

R. Ross stated he would like a notice to go to departments that the First Selectman has this authority and this should be flagged in the Charter for revision.

H. Tax Collector Refunds

No Tax Collector Refunds.

I. Discuss Village Center Zone

Clarification was made that the Board of Selectmen was asked by P&Z for review and comment on the Village Center Zone.

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5. Reports

A. First Selectman –

The storm season is upon us; residents should have 3 day supply of food & water on hand if a storm is predicted. If you use a generator, please be sure it was installed by a licensed electrician. Most damage is done by fallen trees.

Please register a salemct.gov; informational announcements are sent out concerning storm updates.

Shop local! Buying from businesses in Salem save time and gas money.

The Salem meetings are open to public, residents are encouraged to attend and get involved.

B. Public Works – The town crew did a great job cleaning up after last week's storm.

C. Building Department- No report.

D. Salem School Building Committee- The abatement work should be completed this coming Thursday. The security at the school and rekeying of the doors has been discussed in meetings. Colors and exterior glass has been selected for the renovation.

E. Board of Education – The Capitol requests have been submitted; the budget is being worked on.

- F. Board of Finance-** The budget work has started for the fiscal year July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014.
- G. Planning and Zoning Commission** – No report.
- H. Inland Wetlands and Conservation Commission** – The owners of the Salem Town Center attended the past meeting to discuss the issues of the litter into the wetlands. They will need to submit a plan of action to the Commission.
- I. Economic Development Commission-** No report.
- J. Zoning Board of Appeals** – One application was heard for use of Cogdon’s Garage. The application was approved.
- K. Recreation Commission** – An after school drawing class has started. Two bus trips will be offered; May 11 will be New York City and May 19 will be the Bronx Zoo. Please go to salemct.gov for more information.
- L. Public Safety-** The resident state troopers are on the safety committee for the school. If you are stopped by the resident trooper and state to the trooper that you “are a resident” does not mean you can go through stop signs or speed, you will get a ticket.
- M. Transfer Station** – The old compactor will be moved to the recycling area; hope is it will save three hauls a month.
- N. Library Board-** The library board is working on the budget; increase of the children’s offerings would increase the business at the library. Job descriptions are still being worked on. The Girl Scout’s sleepover was postponed, however L. Buckley mentioned this so it would be noted how the library gets used as a community center.

6. Public Comment

Hugh McKenney commented on the Village Center Zone that the language used in the policy is often driven by state statutes.

7. Future Action Items

Adjournment

M/S/C (Ross/Burr) to adjourn at 8:30 P.M.

Vote: Approved Unanimous

Respectfully Submitted
Diane Weston
Recording Secretary