

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
REGULAR MEETING  
MARCH 1, 2016  
7:00 PM**

**PRESENT:** Kevin Lyden, David Kennedy, Stuart Gadbois, Edward Chmielewski  
**ABSENT:** Robert Ross

**1. Call to Order:** K. Lyden called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

**2. Pledge of Allegiance**

**3. Approval of Minutes**

**A) M/S/C (Kennedy/Gadbois) to approve the Board of Selectmen February 4, 2016 Regular Meeting minutes presented.**

**Vote: Approved**

**4. Correspondence/Public Comments**

K. Lyden read a letter from Gardner Lake Volunteer Fire Company stating per their by-laws, if the Company was to dissolve, the building would go to a non-profit organization. K. Lyden stated the building does get used by several organizations in town, is used for a secondary emergency center and houses the town vehicles. He stated if the company dissolves, the building should be turned over to the town due to the fact that the town pays for repairs and upgrades to the building now. K. Lyden and S. Gadbois will attend a meeting with GLVFC.

**5. Agenda:**

**A. Girl Scout Day Proclamation-Action Item**

K. Lyden read the Girl Scout Day Proclamation.  
(see attached)

**M/S/C (Chmielewski/Gadbois) to proclaim March 12 as Girl Scout Day.**

**Vote: Approved**

**B. Appoint Sue Spang to the Recreation Commission (5-year term) – Action Item**

**M/S/C (Lyden/Chmielewski) to appoint Sue Spang to the Recreation Commission (5 year term).**

**Vote: Approved**

**C. Senior/55+ housing- Discussion Item**

K. Lyden discussed the aging population of Salem (see attached). He introduced the idea of selling a portion of the town owned property on Route 85 (formally the Gadbois property) to a developer for a 55+ housing complex. It will be a topic for discussion at the next Planning and Zoning meeting.

**D. Schedule Board of Selectman Special Meeting to Review Budget**

A tentative Board of Selectman Special Meeting will be scheduled for March 9, 2016 Salem Town Hall, 7:00 PM.

**E. Tax Collector Refunds**

**M/S/C (Chmielewski/Gadbois) The Board of Selectmen direct the Town Treasurer to issue refunds recommended and certified by the Tax Collector as presented to the Board of Selectman in the amount of \$235.00 on this 1<sup>st</sup> day of March 2016.**

**Vote: Approved**  
(see attached)

**6. Reports**

**A. First Selectman**

K. Lyden reviewed the January State Police Report. (see attached)

**1. Board of Education**

K. Lyden discussed the declining enrollment in Salem School; and the Board of Education budget should reflect the decrease in enrollment. Financial responsibility should be a top priority.

**2. Board of Finance**

The BOF has revamped the procedure for the 10 Year Capital Plan.

**B. Economic Development**

S. Gadbois reported the Commission is looking to market to smaller businesses for Salem. A brochure will be worked on to reflect that.

**C. Library Board**

K. Lyden reported R. Ross is on the interview committee for the new librarian. Three have been interviewed; K. Lyden will interview the two top choices.

Two broken pipes caused flooding and damage in the library. The issue has been fixed.

**D. Planning & Zoning Commission**

K. Lyden reported the Multi-Purpose Path bridges passed through the Commission.

**E. Recreation Commission**

D. Kennedy reported the Commission will be hiring a new Recreation Program Coordinator; the scoreboard install at the Babe Ruth field is being worked on to be unveiled on opening day.

**F. Inland Wetlands & Conservation Commission**

No report.

**7. Public Comments**

None

**8. Adjournment**

**M/C/S (Kennedy/Gadbois) to adjourn at 7:51 P.M.**

**Vote: Approved**

**Respectfully Submitted**  
**Diane Weston**  
**Recording Secretary**