

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN
REGULAR MEETING
OCTOBER 2, 2012
7:30 PM**

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

CALL TO ORDER: K. Lyden called the meeting to order at 7:30 P.M.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

K. Lyden informed the Board of the passing of resident Helen Zaleski.

1. Approval of Minutes

M/S/C (Burr/McKenney) to approve the Board of Selectmen, September 4, 2012, Regular Meeting Minutes as presented.

Vote Approved: K. Lyden, R. McKenney, E. Burr, R. Ross Abstaining: L. Buckley

M/S/C (Burr/McKenney) to approve the Board of Selectmen, September 13, 2012, Special Meeting Minutes as presented.

Vote Approved: K. Lyden, E. Burr, R. Ross, L. Buckley Abstaining: R. McKenney

2. Correspondence/Public Comments:

Correspondence – None to report.

Public Comment – Chief James Savalle of Gardner Lake Volunteer Fire Company, would like the approval from the BOS to pursue the purchase of a replacement tanker truck and to bring the proposal to the Board of Finance. K. Lyden reminded Chief Savalle that this is Public Comment and no decisions will be made, if he would like to submit something to the BOS for the November meeting he could do so.

3. Agenda Additions or Revisions:

K. Lyden proposed the following changes to the agenda:

- A. Discussion of Bernard Ferrara Appointment to the Zoning Board of Appeals
- B. Discussion of Vincent Howe Appointment to the Economic Development Commission
- C. Sale/Disposition of Town Owned Personal Property
- D. Tax Collector Refund(s)

M/S/C (Lyden/Burr) to approve the addition of Agenda items. Vote: Approved unanimous.

4. Agenda

A. Discussion of Bernard Ferrara Appointment to the Zoning Board of Appeals

M/S/C (Lyden/Ross) to approve the appointment of Bernard Ferrara to the Zoning Board of Appeals. Vote: Approved unanimous.

B. Discussion of Vincent Howe Appointment to the Economic Development Commission

M/S/C (Lyden/Buckley) to approve the appointment of Vincent Howe to the Economic Development Commission. Vote: Approved unanimous.

C. Sale/Disposition of Town Owned Personal Property

**M/S/C (Buckley/McKenney) Per section 5.05 of the Salem Town Charter, the Board of Selectmen authorize the First Selectman to sell/dispose of the following Town owned personal property: Blue Ford Crown Victoria Sedan.
Vote: Approved unanimous.**

D. Tax Collector Refund(s)

**M/S/C (Ross/Burr) for the Board of Selectmen to direct the town Treasurer to issue refunds recommended and certified by the Tax Collector as presented to the Board of Selectmen on October 2, 2012 in the amount of \$681.02.
Vote: Approved unanimous.
(See attached)**

5. Reports

A. First Selectman –

The Farmer's Market has ended for the season. K. Lyden thanked MaryAnn Chinatti and Nicole Gadbois for their help. They are looking for ideas for next year.

The sidewalk is being replaced at Town Hall; the parking lot will be resurfaced.

K. Lyden had lunch with the new superintendent, Joseph Onofrio II. They discussed the "sharing" of services between the Town Hall and Salem School.

K. Lyden attended a meeting with Andrea Stillman, Ed Jutila, and Kevin Ryan for the Friends of Gardner Lake. They presented DEEP with a detailed plan of action request for improvements for the park at Gardner Lake.

- B. Public Works** – Rattlesnake Ledge Road will soon be paved. Work will start on the parking lot at Salem Town Hall.
- C. Building Department**- Diane Weston reported there have been applications for two new houses.
- D. Salem School Building Committee**- E. Burr reported a meeting will be held on Wednesday October 3, 2012, to vote for the contractor for the Salem School Renovation.
- E. Board of Education** – R. McKenney report the school has discussed the curriculum review related to the common core; social studies curriculum, reduction of grants; custodian appreciation and CMT scores.
- F. Board of Finance**-The auditors have finished their review and will present their report to the BOF on October 11, 2012.
- G. Planning and Zoning Commission** – E. Burr reported Attorney Butts attended the meeting concerning the use of a motion. They are continuing to work on the Town Center Plan.
- H. Inland Wetlands and Conservation Commission** – No report.
- I. Economic Development Commission**- R. Ross reported the next meeting will be on October 15, 2012. They will discuss a marketing plan for Salem. October 27th will be the Apple Festival; October 13 will be “Paugwonk Day” at Treasure Hill Farm on Rt. 354.
- J. Zoning Board of Appeals** – No report.
- K. Recreation Commission** – D. Weston reported the “Day on Your Own” NYC bus trip on Saturday was enjoyed by all. A reminder for residents to please utilize the Town website for updates.
- L. Public Safety**- No report.
- M. Transfer Station** – Amnesty Days, Bulky Waste will be on Saturday, October 13, Sunday October 14, and Wednesday October 17.
- N. Library Board**- L. Buckley reported approximately 2,000 books were read over the summer. There has been a decline in the number of circulation for children’s books. New books will be purchased. The computers at the circulation desk will be replaced due to the upgrade of software. They are continuing manually log computer use. They will have two booths at “Paugwonk Day” if volunteers could be found. The Friends of the Library thought the May book sale was successful. Job descriptions are being reviewed for the tech manger, assistant librarian and senior assistant librarian. Job performance for the head librarian comes up in October.

6. Public Comment

Norman Rabe stated the Library Book Sale will be held on Friday evening October 26, daytime October 27, 2012.

Salem Pharmacy is slated to open in November.

Dave Burnett and his son were the successful high bidder on the foreclosure of Salem Country Gardens. They are planning to renovate the space over the winter and open in the spring.

7. Future Action Items

Adjournment

M/S/C (Burr/Buckley) to adjourn at 7:59 P.M.

Vote: Approved Unanimous

Respectfully Submitted

Diane Weston

Recording Secretary