

**Unapproved**

**TOWN OF SALEM  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
September 7, 2010**

Present: R. Asafaylo, J. Fogarty, K. Lyden (First Selectman), R. McKenney, and R. Ross

Guests: See attached.

**CALL TO ORDER:**

First Selectman K. Lyden called the meeting to order at 7:32 pm.

**1) APPROVAL OF MINUTES: AUGUST 3, 2010 - REGULAR MEETING**

M/S/C (Ross/McKenney) to approve the August 3, 2010 Salem Board of Selectmen Regular Meeting minutes as presented. Vote: For approval - Fogarty, Lyden, McKenney, and Ross. For denial - no one. Abstaining - Asafaylo.  
MOTION CARRIED.

**2) CORRESPONDENCE/PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

There was no *CORRESPONDENCE*.

The First Selectman informed the public that they may log on to the Town of Salem website (salemct.gov) and receive information concerning what to do in the case of an emergency such as a hurricane. Other important town news and announcements can also be found on the website.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

There were no *PUBLIC COMMENTS* this evening.

**3) AGENDA ADDITIONS/REVISIONS:**

M/S/C (Ross/Asafaylo) to add the following to tonight's agenda:  
"8) EXECUTIVE SESSION - PERSONNEL ISSUES"  
Vote: approved unanimously.

4) **AGENDA:**

A) **APPOINTMENT OF LOUIS ALLEN TO THE GARDNER LAKE AUTHORITY**

K. Lyden, First Selectman, informed the Board that Larry Harrington, a long-time member of the Gardner Lake Authority (GLA), has submitted his resignation.

The First Selectman thanked Mr. Harrington on behalf of the Town of Salem and himself for the time and dedication he has given to the GLA.

The First Selectman also stated that he had met with Lou Allen several times over the last few months in regard to Gardner Lake concerns. Mr. Allen expressed his desire to serve on the GLA. He believes that Mr. Allen will be an asset to the GLA.

M/S/C (Lyden/Fogarty) to appoint Louis Allen as a Salem Representative to the Gardner Lake Authority for the remainder of Larry Harrington's term. Vote: approved unanimously.

B) **CHINATTI - REQUEST FOR SUPPORT - CT DEP 319 NPS MANAGEMENT GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATION (NIANTIC RIVER WATERSHED)**

The Board members had received a written request from M. Chinatti, Salem's Town Planner/ZEO/WEO, in explanation of this grant.

B. Bourdeau, PW Director, appeared before the Board:

This grant would be for monitoring water quality for the Niantic River Watershed, of which Salem is at its headwaters.

He is willing to purchase the GPS system within his DPW budget, as this equipment could be of use for many things in the Public Works purview (see paragraph 3 of the 7/26/10 memo from M. Chinatti attached to the filed copy of these minutes).

There will be three (3) sampling locations: 105 Emerald Glen Drive, 380 New London Road, and 51 Valley Drive.

All equipment will belong to the Town of Salem and can be used for other purposes.

After lengthy discussion in regard to drafting a motion/motions for this request for support, the Board took the following actions:

M/S/C (McKenney/Fogarty) that the Salem Board of Selectmen endorses the request for support of the Town of Salem's application for a CT DEP Section 319 NPS Management Grant Program (Niantic River Watershed). Vote: approved unanimously.

M/S/C (Fogarty/McKenney) that the Salem Board of Selectmen recommends the Board of Finance consider a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$9121.62 for the Public Works Operation line in relation to the Town of Salem's application for a CT DEP Section

319 NPS Management Grant Program (Niantic River Watershed). Vote: approved unanimously.

**C) EMERGENCY RESPONDERS AWARDS ORDINANCE**

The Board had received copies of *DRAFT 6* of the *EMERGENCY RESPONDERS AWARDS ORDINANCE FOR THE TOWN OF SALEM* (see attached to the filed copy of these minutes) for prior review.

J. Fogarty submitted his written comments to all members present (see attached to the filed copy of these minutes).

Discussion ensued.

R. Ross suggested that the Board members also review *DRAFT 5* to see what had been changed.

Copies of *DRAFT 5* will be provided to the Board members.

At last month's meeting, the Board had decided to have a Special Meeting to discuss this ordinance and the Public Safety Policy for Special Events in the Town of Salem. They took the following action:

M/S/C (Ross/Lyden) to set a Special Board of Selectmen Meeting for Thursday, September 30, 2010, 7:00 pm at the Salem Town Office Building for the purpose of discussion of the following:

- The EMERGENCY RESPONDERS AWARDS ORDINANCE FOR THE TOWN OF SALEM, and
- The PUBLIC SAFETY POLICY FOR SPECIAL EVENTS IN THE TOWN OF SALEM

Vote: approved unanimously.

**D) TAX COLLECTOR REFUNDS**

M/S/C (Ross/Fogarty) that the Board of Selectmen directs the Town Treasurer to issue refunds in the amount of \$563.51 as recommended and certified by the Tax Collector as noted in the Summary of Tax Collector Refunds dated 9/7/2010. Vote: approved unanimously.

(The 9/7/2010 Summary of Tax Collector Refunds is attached to the filed copy of these minutes.)

**E) OTHER BUSINESS**

There was no *OTHER BUSINESS* this evening.

5) **REPORTS:**

- A) **FIRST SELECTMAN** - K. Lyden: the Salem Town Center has been cleaned up by the owner and the rundown trailer at the corner of Rathbun Hill Road and Old Colchester Road (Route 354) has been removed, both at no cost to the town. Thanks go to J. Bok, Salem Town Center owner, and to Les Avery, Ted Trawczynski, the SVFC, and the GLVFC for the trailer removal. The solar panels have been installed at the library; panels will be installed on the Town Office Building this week and the Salt Shed and the Gardner Lake Firehouse after that; the HVAC upgrade in the Town Office Building is in progress.
- B) **PUBLIC WORKS** - D. Bourdeau, PW Director: the last crossing on Forsyth Road will be done tomorrow, then there will be the removal of old piping and regrading to be done; the next project will be maintenance on Gardner Lake Heights and drainage work for the sidewalk to be constructed on Route 85.
- C) **BUILDING DEPARTMENT** - no report.
- D) **SALEM SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE** - R. Asafaylo: two (2) meetings to be held this month; the Committee will give their report to the BOS at their October BOS meeting.
- E) **BOARD OF EDUCATION** - J. Fogarty: very short meeting; last year (08/09) the BOE did not return any money to the town; this year (09/10) the BOE will be returning \$50,000 to \$70,000; there was money left in the Pay-to-Play from last year, so some sports will be funded. D. Bourdeau stated: the school is now using single stream recycling and it is working very well.
- F) **BOARD OF FINANCE** - the audit is currently in progress; the auditors will be working in the TOB through 9/09; the audit is on schedule.
- G) **PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION** - a public hearing was set for 9/28/10 for a 3 lot resubdivision at 212/214 Norwich Road (the application was withdrawn by the applicant this afternoon); accepted a site plan application for the addition of office space at 10 Witter Road; approved a site plan modification for a landscaping change for 249 Hartford Road; discussed, at length, an amendment to the definition of what Excavations shall not include and added the amendment to a 10/19/10 public hearing already set for other amendments.
- H) **INLAND WETLANDS AND CONSERVATION COMMISSION** - approved an application for a 3 lot subdivision at 212/214 Norwich Road; tabled the Meseha Regulated Activity application, which was a violation for not obtaining a permit, to 9/13/10, as the applicant did not appear; still researching whether or not to send referrals to the Town Attorney or to an attorney specializing in wetlands matters; tabled the Smith Declaratory Ruling application for replacement of terraced walls on the lakeside property at 146 Old Colchester Road to await an engineered plan.
- I) **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION** - R. Ross: met with the DOT in regard to the round-about; they are reworking the water treatment plan for the site and hoping to see demolition of buildings this fall; the owner did a fine job of cleaning up at the Salem Town Center; E&B Sporting Goods has been sold and a new business will open soon.

- J) **ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS** - no meeting in August.
- K) **RECREATION COMMISSION** - no report.
- L) **PUBLIC SAFETY** - Board review of State Trooper K. Seery's Report (see attached to the filed copy of these minutes).
- M) **TRANSFER STATION** - D. Bourdeau, Jr.: Fall Amnesty Days will be taking place 9/18, 9/19, and 9/22 this month.
- N) **LIBRARY BOARD** - no report.
- O) **TOWN VISION COMMITTEE** - R. Asafaylo: the Committee will have their Recommendation Statement ready soon.

6) **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

There were no further *PUBLIC COMMENTS*.

7) **FUTURE ACTION ITEMS:**

- **BOS YEARLY CALENDAR "TICKLER LIST"**
- **TOWN OFFICE BUILDING COMPUTER NETWORK**

The Board took a five (5) minute recess.

8) **EXECUTIVE SESSION - PERSONNEL ISSUES**

M/S/C (McKenney/Ross) to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel issues at 9:01 pm. Vote: approved unanimously.

Present at Executive Session:

R. Asafaylo, J. Fogarty, K. Lyden, R. McKenney, and R. Ross.

M/S/C (Fogarty/Asafaylo) to come out of Executive Session at 9:15 pm. Vote: approved unanimously.

NO ACTION TAKEN.

M/S/C (Ross/Asafaylo) to adjourn the meeting at 9:15 pm. Vote: approved unanimously.

D. McTigue, Administrative Assistant/Recording Secretary  
R. McKenney, Recording Secretary, pro-tem  
K. Lyden, First Selectman