

EAST LYME BOARD OF SELECTMEN
REGULAR MEETING OF DECEMBER 20, 2017
MINUTES

PRESENT: Mark Nickerson, Kevin Seery, Marc Salerno, Rose Ann Hardy, Dan Cunningham and Paul Dagle

Also present were Superintendent of Schools Jeff Newton, Town Clerk Karen Galbo and State Representative Holley Cheeseman

Mr. Nickerson called the meeting to order at 7:33 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

1b. Additional Agenda & Consent Calendar Items
There were none.

Mr. Nickerson stated that Agenda Item #3b will be addressed at this point in the meeting in order to allow the Town Clerk to administer the oath to those present.

1c. Public Swearing-In of Appointed Officials
Town Clerk Karen Galbo was present and administered the Oath to all appointed officials in attendance.

1d. Delegations
Holly Cheeseman, State Representative, addressed the Board and gave an update on how things are progressing in Hartford. She reported that the Legislature has called for a special session on December 29, 2017, to restore \$54 million to the Medicare Savings Program, but will likely set a new date for the first week in January when everyone has returned from the holiday break. Currently, the state is operating under an approximate \$200 million deficit. Passed today was the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act. A public hearing was held at Waterford High School this week to discuss the future of Dominion, and the overall discussion was positive. Ms. Cheeseman stated that the Children's Museum annual "Countdown to Noon" event will take place at the East Lyme Community center from 10am until noon on Sunday, December 31st. This is a great event for the kids and family. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

1e. Approval of Minutes, Regular Meeting of December 6, 2017
MOTION (1)

Mr. Seery moved to approve the Board of Selectmen Regular Meeting Minutes of December 6, 2017, as submitted.
Seconded by Mrs. Hardy. In Favor; Mr. Nickerson, Mrs. Hardy, Mr. Dagle, Mr. Cunningham and Mr. Seery. Abstained; Mr. Salerno. Motion passed 5-0-1.

1f. Consent Calendar
MOTION (2)

Mr. Seery moved to approve the Consent Calendar for the meeting of December 20, 2017, in the amount of \$143.92.
Seconded by Mrs. Hardy. Motion passed 6-0.

2. Old Business
There was none.

FILED

Dec 22 2017 AT 9:00 AM
K. Galbo
EAST LYME TOWN CLERK

3a. Ex-Officio Appointments for 2018

DISCUSSION: Mr. Salerno and Mr. Dagle reported that they switched Library for Harbor Management due to scheduling conflicts, and would like to keep it that way for 2018. Mr. Cunningham stated that the Historic Properties Commission should be listed under his name.

MOTION (3)

Mr. Seery moved to approve the Board of Selectmen Ex-officio appointments for 2018, as amended, and attached hereto as Exhibit 1.

Seconded by Mr. Dagle. Motion passed 6-0.

3b. Appointments

MOTION (4)

Mr. Seery moved to appoint: John White, 7 Black Oak Drive, East Lyme
John MacDougall, 26 Village Drive, East Lyme
Christopher Neilan, 60 Niantic River Road, Waterford
Pasquale Folino, 16 Perkins Farm Road, Waterford
Mark Ennis, 39 Cedarbrook Lane, East
Jonathan Woyasz, 141 Central Avenue, Norwich
John Malia, 84 Montauk Avenue, New London
Nicholas Fulton, 671 Vauxhall Street Ext, Waterford

To serve as Sub-Registrar of Vital Statistics for the Town of East Lyme through December 6, 2021.

Seconded by Mr. Salerno. Motion passed 6-0.

MOTION (5)

Mr. Seery moved to appoint Michael Finkelstein, Chief of Police, East Lyme Police Department, to serve as Fire Investigator for the Town of East Lyme through January 3, 2022.

Seconded by Mr. Salerno. Motion passed 6-0.

MOTION (6)

Mr. Seery moved to appoint Chris Taylor, 9 Monticello Drive, East Lyme, to serve as Emergency Management Deputy for the Town of East Lyme through January 3, 2022.

Seconded by Mr. Salerno. Motion passed 6-0.

MOTION (7)

Mr. Seery moved to appoint Elizabeth Kuchta, 154 Pennsylvania Avenue, East Lyme, to serve as Town Historian for the Town of East Lyme through January 3, 2022.

Seconded by Mrs. Hardy. Motion passed 6-0.

MOTION (8)

Mr. Seery moved to appoint Steve Kelley, 8 Joval Street, East Lyme, to serve as TVCCA Representative for the Town of East Lyme through January 3, 2022.

Seconded by Mr. Dagle. Motion passed 6-0.

MOTION (9)

Mr. Seery moved to appoint: Rory Ghio, 104 East Shore Drive, Niantic
Gary Thorstenson, 81 Webster Road, East Lyme
Chris Taylor, 9 Monticello Drive, East Lyme

To serve as Deputy Fire Marshal for the Town of East Lyme through January 3, 2022.

Seconded by Mr. Cunningham. Motion passed 6-0.

MOTION (10)

Mr. Seery moved to appoint: David Houseman, Jr., 474 Laurel Hill Road, Norwich
Evan Haynes, 83 Lovers Lane, East Lyme

To serve as Part-Time Deputy Fire Marshal for the Town of East Lyme through January 3, 2022.

Seconded by Mr. Salerno. Motion passed 6-0.

MOTION (11)

Mr. Seery moved to appoint Marge Caste, 4 Windfall Lane, Niantic to serve on the Commission on Aging with a term to expire on January 3, 2022.

Seconded by Mrs. Hardy. Motion passed 6-0

MOTION (12)

Mr. Seery moved to appoint Laura Ashburn, 31 West Main Street #9, Niantic, to serve on the Conservation of Natural Resources with a term to expire on January 3, 2022.

Seconded by Mrs. Hardy. Motion passed 6-0

MOTION (13)

Mr. Seery moved to appoint Donald MacKenzie, 10 Woodland Drive, Niantic to serve on the East Lyme Harbor Management / Shellfish Commission with a term to expire on January 3, 2022.

Seconded by Mr. Salerno. Motion passed 6-0.

MOTION (14)

Mrs. Hardy moved to appoint Ann Cicchiello, 11 Village Drive, East Lyme to serve on the Inland Wetlands Agency with a term to expire on January 6, 2020.

Seconded by Mr. Cunningham. Motion passed 6-0.

MOTION (15)

Mrs. Hardy moved to appoint: Gary Upton, 137 Roxbury Road, Niantic
Peter DeRosa, 39 Lovers Lane, East Lyme

To serve on the Inland Wetlands Agency with a term to expire on January 3, 2022.

Seconded by Mr. Salerno. Motion passed 6-0.

MOTION (16)

Mr. Salerno moved to appoint: Patrick Larkin, 14 Oak Hill Drive, Niantic
Susan Kumro, 14 West Main Street, Niantic

To serve on the Parks & Recreation Commission with a term to expire on January 3, 2022.

Seconded by Mr. Cunningham. Motion passed 6-0.

MOTION (17)

Mr. Salerno moved to appoint John Rhodes, 6 Seebeck Road, East Lyme to serve on the Town Building Committee with a term to expire on January 3, 2022.

Seconded by Mrs. Hardy. Motion passed 6-0.

MOTION (18)

Mr. Salerno moved to appoint: Stephen DiGiovanna, 1 Old Oak Lane, Niantic
David Murphy, 490 Boston Post Road, East Lyme

To serve on the Water and Sewer Commission with a term to expire on January 3, 2022.

Seconded by Mr. Seery. Motion passed 6-0.

MOTION (19)

Mr. Dagle moved to appoint Julie Dowling, 24 Huntley Court, Niantic to serve on the Youth Services Commission with a term to expire on January 3, 2022.

Seconded by Mr. Salerno. Motion passed 6-0.

MOTION (20)

Mr. Cunningham moved to appoint: William Mountzoures, 88 Smith Street, Niantic
John Mitchell Smith, 2 Clarks Lane, Niantic

To serve on the Zoning Board of Appeals with a term to expire on January 3, 2022.

Seconded by Mr. Seery. Motion passed 6-0.

3c. Authorize First Selectman to Sign Check Registers

MOTION (21)

Mr. Seery RESOLVED, that the Board of Selectmen delegates to the First Selectman and upon the absence or disability of the First Selectman, to the Deputy First Selectman, the Board's obligation to sign the orders of the Board of Selectmen on the Town Treasury for payment of regularly budgeted expenses of the Town, with exception of those of a capital nature over \$50,000 where bids are required; and further that the signed orders, covering the period subsequent to the previous regular meeting of the Board, be presented at each regular meeting of the Board for review.

FURTHER RESOLVE that in the absence of the First Selectman and his Deputy, the First Selectman may delegate the obligation to sign the orders of the Board of Selectmen to the Second Deputy First Selectman for payment of the expenses of the Town.

Seconded by Mr. Salerno. Motion passed 6-0.

4. Future Business

There was none.

5. Communications

There was none.

6. Information and Reports.

There was none.

7a. Ex-Officio

Mr. Seery reported that at the Parks & Recreation Commission they honored the passing of Milan Keser with emotional memories and stories of his many years of service to our community. He reported that there will be further discussion to set the 2018 fee schedule at the next meeting.

Mr. Salerno stated that the Town Building Committee will be meeting on Thursday and the budget is on the agenda for review and discussion.

Mr. Dagle reported that the Inland Wetlands Agency did not meet due to lack of a quorum. He reported that at the Harbor Management / Shellfish Commission meeting, it was decided that the dingy dock proposal for the Grand Street boat launch will be going back to the drawing board. He stated that up for consideration is that any revenue generated that exceeds costs should be put into a separate fund. Mr. Nickerson stated that it would be reviewed by Finance Director Anna Johnson and the Town Attorney. Mr. Dagle reported that the Harbor Management plan ordinance is under review and a procedural discussion with the Board of Selection will be on an upcoming meeting.

6b. First Selectman's Report

Mr. Nickerson stated that the passing of Milan Keser brings a great loss to the community as Mr. Keser gave his all and then gave some more. He will be sadly missed, and best wishes to his family during this difficult time.

Mr. Nickerson announced that everyone with little children or anyone who likes to have fun should go to Countdown to Noon hosted by the Children's Museum and taking place on Sunday, December 31st from 10am until Noon. It's a lot of fun and includes a balloon drop at Noon. On the calendar, we are halfway through the current budget year already which means the time for reviewing next year's budget is coming up. Mr. Nickerson was very pleased to see all of the taxpayers that came out tonight to vote on the items at the Town Meeting. Merry Christmas, and Happy Hanukah as it comes to an end, and have a joyous and healthy new year. See everyone at the next Board of Selectmen meeting on January 3rd, where there will be a couple of big items on; including the Cini Park bathrooms and the park on Main Street.

7. Public Comment

There was none.

8. Selectman's Response

There was none.

MOTION (22)

Mr. Seery moved to adjourn the December 20, 2017, regular meeting of the East Lyme Board of Selectmen at 8:01 p.m.

Seconded by Mr. Salerno. Motion passed 6-0.

Respectfully submitted,



Sandra Anderson
Recording Secretary

EXHIBIT 1

TO: Board of Selectmen

DATE: January 3, 2018

RE: Board of Selectmen Ex-Officio Assignments 2018

Mark Nickerson

Board of Finance 2nd Wed.
Water and Sewer 4th Tues.

Kevin Seery

Youth Services 2nd Thurs.
Parks & Rec 2nd Thurs.
Deputy Chair Water and Sewer 4th Tues.

Dan Cunningham

Smith Harris 4th Wed.
WELSCO 3rd Thurs.
Historic Properties 1st Tues.

Paul Dagle

Inland Wetlands 2nd Mon.
Harbor Mgt. 3rd Tues.

Marc Salerno

Planning Commission 1st Tues.
Town Building 3rd Thurs.
Library 1st Mon.

Rose Ann Hardy

Zoning Commission 1st & 3rd Tues.
Comm. On Aging 2nd Mon.
Comm. Natural Resources 2nd Wed.

Board of Education rotation as follows:
2nd and 4th Monday

January and July – Nickerson
February and August – Dagle
March and September – Hardy
April and October – Seery
May and November – Salerno
June and December - Cunningham