

EAST LYME BOARD OF SELECTMEN
REGULAR MEETING OF MAY 15, 2019
MINUTES

PRESENT: Mark Nickerson, Kevin Seery, Paul Dagle and Dan Cunningham

EXCUSED: Rose Ann Hardy and Marc Salerno

Mr. Nickerson called the meeting to order at 7:32 p.m. and stated that the Pledge of Allegiance had been done at the Police Commission meeting and again at the Town Meeting.

1b. Additional Agenda and Consent Items

There were none.

1c. Delegations

There were none.

FILED IN EAST LYME
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May 20, 2019 AT 9:00 AM
Brenda Rowell ATC
EAST LYME TOWN CLERK

1d. Approval of Minutes

MOTION (1)

DISCUSSION: Mr. Dagle stated that the next meeting of the Public Safety Building Vision Committee will be Thursday, May 16th. Under item number 3a in the minutes it indicates that the meeting is on the 23rd.

Mr. Seery MOVED to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of May 1, 2019, as amended.

Seconded by Mr. Dagle. Motion passed 4-0.

1e. Consent Calendar

MOTION (2)

Mr. Seery MOVED to approve the Consent Calendar for the meeting of May 15, 2019, in the amount of \$1,886.76.

Seconded by Mr. Cunningham. Motion passed 4-0.

2a. Appointment

MOTION (3)

DISCUSSION: Mr. Nickerson stated that Mr. Bekech is the retired Assessor from Waterford, and is currently the interim Assessor for the town of Killingworth. Also, Mrs. Bekech is the former Assessor in our town.

Mr. Seery MOVED to appoint Mike Bekech, 84 Hope Street, Niantic, to the Board of Assessment of Appeals with a term to expire December 2, 2019.

Seconded by Mr. Cunningham. Motion passed 4-0.

2b. Fire Fighter FLSA Regulations

DISCUSSION: Mr. Nickerson stated that as we have seen in the news, there is discussion happening all over regarding the Federal statute that states you cannot volunteer in the town in which you are a paid employee. In our town we have many people who do just that so this matter needs to be addressed further. We have four entities in town; the Town itself, the Flanders Fire Department Volunteers Inc., the Niantic Fire Department Volunteers Inc. and the East Lyme Ambulance Association. The Town will be working closely with town attorney and Fire Chiefs for clarification, and we are waiting for an opinion from the State Labor Board. He reported that everyone will continue on with business as usual while this is being worked out.

3a. Ex-Officio Reports

Mr. Seery reported that the Miracle League raised another ~\$5,000 at the trivia event this past weekend, and that have almost reached their goal and anticipate breaking ground soon.

Mr. Dagle stated that the Vision Committee will be meeting on May 16th with the primary goal of getting the scope of work finalized. The Harbor Management ordinance is ready and should be presented at the next meeting.

3b. First Selectman's Report

Mr. Nickerson reported that the DOT continues to hold public forums on the upcoming bridge projects in town. To summarize there are four: Route 1 between the area of Lovers Lane and Heritage is scheduled to begin in the fall of this year; the Niantic River Bridge project is scheduled to begin in the spring of 2020; the Exit 74 project has a public forum scheduled for May 23rd at the Middle School; and the Route 156 bridge project at the town line is not scheduled to begin for a couple of years. This year's budget referendum will be held on Thursday, May 23rd from 8:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. at the Community Center. Every single department worked very hard to come up with this budget, and it is getting tougher and tougher each year. Mr. Nickerson thanked everyone for working so hard with such dedication on this year's budget. This year's Touch A Truck event will take place this Saturday, May 18th at McCook's from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m., with an hour of horn-free, quiet time from 9 a.m. until 10 a.m.

4. Public Comment

There was none.

5. Selectmen's Response

MOTION (4)

Mr. Seery MOVED to adjourn the May 15, 2019, regular meeting of the East Lyme Board of Selectmen at 7:45 p.m.

Seconded by Mr. Dagle. Motion passed 4-0.

Respectfully submitted,



Sandra Anderson
Recording Secretary