

# Town of Ashford

*Established 1714*

## REGULAR SELECTMEN'S MEETING MONDAY, JANUARY 4, 2016, 7:00 P.M. ASHFORD TOWN OFFICES MINUTES

1. Call to order at 7:00 pm
2. Members present: Zambo, Falletti, Fletcher
3. Hear from the public
4. First Selectman's Briefing
  - Tony Guglielmo will attend one of the February BOS meetings to update the Board on several issues including crumbling foundations and possible development in the vicinity of Interstate 84.
  - Sheila Grady will attend the February 15<sup>th</sup> meeting of the BOS to update on Senior Center
  - Tim Grills is retiring from TVCCA
  - Ct. Green Bank has approved three energy saving projects utilizing our earned Green energy credits. The three projects are installation of LED lighting between the Senior Housing and the Senior Center, repair of lighting fixtures in front of Knowlton Hall and around the TOB, installation of dehumidifying unit in the Town Clerk's storage vault, installation of a heat pump in the dog pound.
  - Al's Plumbing will be replacing bathroom fixtures at the Transfer Station and DPW in conjunction with an efficiency program sponsored by Connecticut Water Company.
5. Hear from Boards, Commissions, Committees:
6. Falletti moved acceptance of minutes of Regular Meeting of 12/7/2015. Fletcher seconded the motion which passed.
7. Old Business
  - a. 300<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee: Falletti reported that the Committee is moving forward with the anniversary books in looks forward to publication by October of 2016.
  - b. Policies and Procedures Manual: no update
  - c. Cadlerock Property/DEEP
  - d. OTOF status: OTOF representatives will be asked to attend the February 1, 2016 meeting of the BOS to discuss their status.
  - e.
8. New Business
  - a. Committee/Commission appointments
    - Board of Assessment Appeals – fill alternate vacancy
    - Conservation Commission – Fletched moved the appointment of Catherine Samson to fill full member vacancy to 11/2017 and to reappoint Morytko, Wrobel, Haaland, Fenn, Matthews as full members to 11/2017. Estevez as alternate member to 11/2017. Falletti seconded the motion which passed.

- o Zoning Board of Appeals – Falletti requested that this appointment of one (1) Alternate Member to fill vacancy to 11/2017 be considered at the next BOS meeting.
  - o Commission on Aging – Fletcher moved the appointments of Elaine Pandolfo and Catherine Samson to 6/30/2017.
  - o Housing Authority – Falletti moved the reappointment of Randy Weidig to 12/31/2020. Fletcher seconded the motion which passed.
- b. Fletcher moved the following tax refunds citing CGS 12-129: VW Credit Leasing Ltd in the amount of \$428.51 and Christopher M. Magistri in the amount of \$17.44. Falletti seconded the motion which passed.
  - c. 2016-2017 budget
  - d. Request for BOS resolution regarding expansion of the existing Algonquin Natural Gas Pipeline
  - e. Falletti moved waiver of building permit fees relating to work to be performed on town properties (Senior Center roof and three Connecticut Green Bank projects). It was agreed that future fee waiver requests would be considered on a case by case basis. Fletcher seconded the motion which passed.
9. Remarks for the good.....
- Zambo reported that Sheila Grady has requested the addition of 6 hours (the equivalent of one day for a total of 24 hours) to her work week at the Senior Center. The estimated cost of the additional time is \$2,500 through the end of the 2015-2016 budget year. Falletti moved the addition of 6 hours (the equivalent of one day for a total of 24 hours) to the Senior Center Program Coordinator position on an interim basis. Fletcher seconded the motion which passed.
  - The consensus of the BOS was to recommend Thursday, January 14<sup>th</sup> for a pre-budget meeting with the BOF and the BOE. The meeting will be held in the large meeting room of the TOB on Thursday, January 14, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.
  - Zambo reported that he had scheduled a meeting of the Capital Expenditures Committee for Monday, January 11, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. This will be posted as a Special Meeting of the BOS.
  - Zambo reported that \$ lost as a result of the state’s motor vehicle tax cap will be refunded by the state to the towns.
  - Zambo reported that the Registrars of Voters will attend mandatory training at the Avery Point campus. This training will add \$5,000 to the Registrars of Voters 2015-2016 budget
  - Falletti requested that the BOF hold action on the filling of an Alternate member seat until a legal opinion has been received from Halloran & Sage.
  - Falletti again requested that the old formerly-lighted sign at the Transfer Station be removed
  - The BOS discussed various locations in town displaying quantities of junk and how this could be regulated
  - Zambo informed the BOS of the possible availability of Gary’s Garage.
10. Adjournment