

Beacon Falls Board of Selectmen
10 Maple Avenue
Beacon Falls, CT 06403



**BEACON FALLS BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Special Meeting
June 25, 2014
Minutes
(Subject to Revision)**

1. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance

First Selectman Chris Bielik called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Members Present: First Selectman Chris Bielik, Selectman Peter Betkoski, and Selectman Dominick Sorrentino

2. Vote on STEAP Resolution

C. Bielik first gave the background to the purpose of tonight's meeting to vote on the STEAP Resolution. The reason that we need to pass this resolution tonight is because we need to be considered eligible by OPM for the STEAP program. It is a program that you need to opt in periodically and the last time Beacon Falls passed a resolution like this, it expired in 2012. This is according to the person that he spoke with at OPM. Since that time, we have applied for and received small cities grants, but they are mutually exclusive, he believes. While we have gotten small cities grants, we are no longer pursuing them.

To re-engage on the STEAP side of things, we needed to have had passed a resolution by last October and that was not done until the previous administration. C. Bielik indicated that he would like to have the resolution passed at tonight's meeting so that we can be eligible under the window.

There are two packages for this fiscal year that we are waiting on up there. P. Betkoski asked if they came to us and said that we are expired and C. Bielik indicated that he had done some research on it.

C. Bielik read the resolution as follows:

Whereas the town of Beacon Falls wishes to participate in the Small Town Economic Assistance Program provided by the State of Connecticut under Connecticut General Statutes 4-66g; and

Whereas CGS 4-66g requires an urban act and/or public investment community to elect STEAP eligibility by an act of the legislative body; and

Whereas the Town of Beacon Falls is an urban act and/or public investment community whose previously elected eligibility for STEAP expired in 2012; and

Whereas the Town of Beacon Falls would like to continue its eligibility within the STEAP program;

Therefore, effective immediately, the Board of Selectmen, requests reinstatement by the State of Connecticut of its status as a STEAP-eligible community.

C. Bielik asked if there was a motion to accept this resolution.

Motion to accept the resolution as stated to reinstate Beacon Falls with the STEAP program: **Betkoski/Sorrentino**; no discussion; all ayes.

3. Adjournment

C. Bielik asked for a motion to adjourn tonight's meeting.

Motion to adjourn tonight's Board of Selectmen Special Meeting at 7:04 P.M.: **Sorrentino/Betkoski**; no discussion; all ayes.

Respectfully submitted,

Marla Scirpo
Clerk, Board of Selectmen