

Regular Meeting – 28 April 2009

Attendance: Selectmen Dick Smith, Rick Daniels and Russell Marth  
Others: John Greene, Margo Hilfinger, Jan Kollmer, Norman Bouchard, Tom Linder, Mary Jane Engle, Mike Bender and Rich Strukus.

This regular meeting was called to order at 6:47pm by Dick Smith.

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A motion was made by Russell Marth and seconded by Rick Daniels to approve the minutes as presented. **APPROVED 3-0.**

Health District

Mary Jane Engle, Health District Director, attended the meeting to update the board and residents on the recent outbreak of Swine Flu. A worldwide outbreak has occurred. While there is no vaccine available to immunize against Swine Flu, there are anti-viral medications which have activity against the virus. Good hygiene, especially hand washing and control of coughing and sneezing are the first line of defense to prevent the spread of any disease. At this point in time, there is no need for panic, however if someone is sick they should stay home from work or school to prevent the spread of disease. They should then consult their healthcare professional.

Connecticut Department of Public Safety

The current contract between the Town and the Department of Public Safety, for Resident Trooper services, expires on 30 June 2009. A new contract has been received which will provide Resident State Trooper Services through 30 June 2011.

A motion was made by Rick Daniels and seconded by Russell Marth to recommend approval of the new contract, to a town meeting for approval. **APPROVED 3-0.**

Department of Homeland Security

Homeland Security has requested that the board of selectmen approve an agreement between them and the Town, for a grant to establishment of a Communications System (STOCS BOX). This system will allow emergency personnel to coordinate activities in the event of an emergency. Homeland Security provides the equipment to the town, rather than providing monetary funds.

A motion was made by Russell Marth and seconded by Rick Daniels to approve the agreement. **APPROVED 3-0.**

A motion was made by Russell Marth and seconded by Rick Daniels to authorize the first selectman to execute all necessary documents. **APPROVED 3-0.**

Town of Chester

Tom Marsh, First Selectman of Chester, is requesting that Deep River consider allowing Chester residents to bring household trash to our transfer station. The board is willing to consider the proposal and its potential benefits / drawbacks.

Annual Town Meeting

A motion was made by Russell Marth and seconded by Rick Daniels to add the agenda consideration of whether to send the annual budget to referendum, for approval. **APPROVED 3-0.**

A motion was made by Russell Marth and seconded by Dick Smith to send the annual budget for fiscal year 2009 – 2010 to a referendum. **APPROVED 2-1 (Yea – Smith and Marth, Nay – Daniels).**

Adjournment

There being no further business, a motion was made by Rick Daniels and seconded by Dick Russell Marth to adjourn this meeting. **APPROVED 3-0.**

This regular meeting was adjourned at 7:46 pm.

Richard R. Daniels, Jr.  
Selectman