



BOARD OF SELECTMEN

DEEP RIVER TOWN HALL

Regular Meeting — August 11, 2015

Attendance: Selectmen Richard Smith, Angus McDonald & David Oliveria. Also: Margo Hilfinger & John Greene (*videography*); Bob Jenkins.

This regular meeting was called to order at 6:35 pm by Smith.

Minutes: Regular Meeting of July 28, 2015

Prior to acting on the minutes of the previous meeting, Smith advised that the agenda had incorrectly stated the meeting date as July 14, rather than July 28.

Motion by McDonald, Oliveria 2nd, to approve the minutes of the regular Meeting of July 28, 2015, with the following correction: due to a prior engagement, Oliveria had left the meeting approximately five minutes before adjournment.

APPROVED 3 – 0

Tax Abatement: 52 Essex Street

Following discussion, motion by Oliveria, McDonald 2nd, to approve the three-year tax abatement for Village View Apartments.

APPROVED 3 – 0

The Board of Selectmen agreed that Paul Kaplan had invested considerably in the purchase and total rehabilitation of the property. Smith noted that the abatement for Fiscal Year 2015-16 would be approximately \$5,400, and that the amounts for the second and third years would be in the same range, but could vary based on changes in the mill rate.

Appointments:

Motion by Oliveria, McDonald 2ND, to add to the agenda for discussion and action, the following appointments:

APPROVED 3 – 0

Long Island Sound Council

Motion by McDonald, Oliveria 2nd, to appoint Dan Ramage to the Long Island Sound Council.

APPROVED 3 – 0

Deep River Housing Authority

Motion by McDonald, Oliveria 2nd to appoint Thomas Hauswirth to the Housing Authority, for a term to expire January 31, 2019.

APPROVED 3 – 0

Audience of Citizens -- Any Other Matters to Come Before the Board:

Bob Jenkins advised the Board of Selectmen that the pavement on Winter Avenue near his residence had settled due to last winter's water main break. Smith will contact the Connecticut Water Company to make necessary repairs.

Margo Hilfinger stated that she was under the impression that the cost of converting the Town Hall and Public Library to natural gas would cost \$15,000 to \$20,000 for both. Smith confirmed that he had previously reported one vendor's verbal estimate of \$15,000 to \$20,000 for both buildings. The actual cost will be determined when the work goes to bid.

Adjournment:

Motion by McDonald, Oliveria 2nd, to adjourn at 6:30 pm.

APPROVED 3 – 0

Respectfully submitted,

Richard H. Smith,
First Selectman