



BOARD OF SELECTMEN

DEEP RIVER TOWN HALL

Regular Meeting October 25, 2016

Attendance: Selectmen Angus McDonald, David Oliveria & Duane Gates. Also Tom Lindner, Art Thompson, Jim Olson, Christine Smith Alio, and Sage Novak. Margo Hilfiger and John Green (videography).

This regular meeting was called to order at 6:30pm by McDonald.

Minutes:

Meeting of October 11, 2016.

Oliveria moved, Gates 2nd, to accept the meeting minutes of October 11, 2016.

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Accept Recommendations from the Dick Smith Memorial Committee:

Art Thompson presented recommendations to the Board on behalf of this committee. Committee members included Timothy Haut, Christine Smith Alio, Sage Novak, James Olson, Gina Sopneski, and Art Thompson.

Thompson discussed how the committee established assessment criteria, used Selectman Office records off calls recommending memorials, and polled the members for their thoughts. The formal recommendation to the Board is attached to these minutes.

Further discussion with the Board revealed that other organizations in town were considering memorials in Smith's honor. Consideration may be given to coordinate the various efforts into one Dick Smith day.

The Board accepted the recommendations for consideration and thanked the committee members for their noteworthy efforts.

Discuss Solarize Chester/ Deep River:

Oliveria provided an update on the Solarize Chester/ Deep River program.

A sandwich board with November 2nd dates and two banners have been created to display near Town Hall to promote the program.

McDonald updated the Board on building fees for previous Photo Voltaic (PV) installations. The average was \$313 with the highest over \$1,000. The Board agreed that this was higher than expected and agreed not to pursue capping fees to \$100 maximum for Solar Installs.

October 26, 2016 – PV Solar Panel owner’s Ambassadors’ Meeting. Deep River residents with existing PV installations were invited to attend the Ambassadors’ Meeting the following evening. The intent of this meeting is to encourage PV owners to participate in subsequent workshops and share their positive experiences with generating their own electricity through PV systems.

November 2, 2016 – Deep River Kick-off and Workshop. A letter went out to all residents to invite them to this opening meeting to learn how the program works. All (including nearby towns) are invited to attend this meeting in the Deep River Town Hall auditorium.

Additional workshops and tours of residential PV installations will be arranged and announced in the coming weeks.

Audience of Citizens – Any other business to come before the board:

None

Adjournment:

Motion by Gates, Oliveria 2nd, to adjourn at 7:17 pm.

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Respectfully submitted,

Dave Oliveria,
Selectman

Report to: Deep River Board of Selectmen
From: Dick Smith Memorial Committee
Date: October 25, 2016

Members:	Christine Smith Alio	Timothy Haut	Sage Novak
	James Olson	Gina Sopneski	Arthur Thompson

At their June 28, 2016 meeting, the Deep River Board of Selectmen approved this charter for our committee:

Investigate & recommend an appropriate memorial to the late Dick Smith no later than December 13, 2016

Charter—Part 1: Investigate

We will describe the process used by the committee to create a list of available options for memorializing Richard Smith, and to assess each of those options.

These attached documents will be used as part of that description:

***Criteria for Assessing Memorial Ideas*

***Memorial Suggestions; Data Organized*

Each of the items on the idea list was subjected to a rigorous assessment based on the criteria.

Charter—Part 2: Recommend

The attached document labeled as *Memorial Suggestions; Data Organized* will again be used as a preface to our recommendations.

Recommendation #1: The public building currently referred to as Deep River Town Hall be renamed the Richard Smith Town Hall.

Recommendation #2: The Deep River Park & Recreation Committee at its April 13, 2016 meeting voted unanimously to name the baseball field at Plattwood Park after Richard Smith. Our committee reviewed that idea as part of our assessment process, finding that it met all of our criteria. Thus, the Smith Memorial Committee would support the decision of the Park & Recreation Commission.