

**TOWN OF GRANBY
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
SPECIAL MEETING
MINUTES
JUNE 1, 2015**

The regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen was called to order by First Selectman B. Scott Kuhnly at 7:35 p.m. at the Holcomb Farm, after a ribbon cutting ceremony and reception for the North Barn Pavilion.

PRESENT: B. Scott Kuhnly, Ronald Desrosiers, Sally King, Mark Neumann, Edward Ohannessian, William F. Smith, Jr., Town Manager; and Student Liaisons Paige Holden and Mark McDermott

I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

II. PUBLIC SESSION

No public addressed the Board.

III. MINUTES

ON A MOTION by Selectman Desrosiers, seconded by Selectman Neumann, the Board voted unanimously on behalf of the Granby Water Pollution Control Authority (5-0-0) to approve the minutes of the Granby Water Pollution Control Authority (GWPCA) public hearing of May 4, 2015.

ON A MOTION by Selectman Desrosiers, seconded by Selectman Neumann, the Board voted unanimously (5-0-0) to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of May 4, 2015 as presented.

IV. UNFINISHED OR TABLED BUSINESS

No unfinished or tabled business was before the Board.

V. BUSINESS

A. Resignations and Appointments to be Considered

ON A MOTION by Selectman Neumann, seconded by Selectman Ohannessian, the Board voted 4-0-1 (R. Desrosiers abstained) to accept, with regret, the resignation of Ronald Desrosiers from the Board of Selectmen.

ON A MOTION by Selectman Ohannessian, seconded by Selectman Neumann, the Board voted unanimously (5-0-0) to accept, with regret, the resignation of Joanne Desrosiers from the Commission on Aging.

ON A MOTION by Selectman Neumann, seconded by Selectman King, the Board voted unanimously (5-0-0) to accept, with regret, the resignation of Stephen Royer from the position of Planning and Zoning Alternate.

ON A MOTION by Selectman King, seconded by Selectman Desrosiers, the Board voted unanimously (5-0-0) to appoint James C. Lofink (D), 3 Juniper Drive, to the Board of Selectmen, filling a vacancy created by the resignation of Ron Desrosiers. His term will expire November 17, 2015.

ON A MOTION by Selectman King, seconded by Selectman Desrosiers, the Board voted unanimously (5-0-0) to appoint Patricia Sansone (D), 65R Mountain Road, to the Commission on Aging, filling a vacancy created by the resignation of Joanne Desrosiers. Her term will expire January 9, 2017.

First Selectman Kuhnly reported there are two vacancies on the Agricultural Commission, one vacancy on the Greater Hartford Transit District and two vacancies on the Holcomb Farm Board of Directors. Anyone who has an interest in serving as a member for one of these Committees should contact the Democratic Town Committee Chairman Jim Lofink, Republican Town Committee Chairman Mark Neumann, or the Town Manager's office.

B. Consideration of Fiscal Year 2015 Transfer of Accounts

Due to a variety of circumstances, we will require transfers. The requests are \$53,000 from Police Operations and Communications to General and Equipment Maintenance for salt and additional overtime needs and an additional \$10,000 from Police Operations and Communications to Infrastructure Maintenance for additional overtime needs.

Selectman Ohannessian asked where the money is to do the required repairs to the Public Works vehicles. Town Manager Smith indicated it would come under the \$53,000.

ON A MOTION by Selectman King, seconded by Selectman Neumann, the Board voted unanimously (5-0-0) to approve the transfer of \$53,000 from Police Operations and Communications to General and Equipment Maintenance and an additional \$10,000 from Police Operations and Communications to Infrastructure Maintenance. It will be forwarded to the Board of Finance for their approval.

VI. TOWN MANAGER REPORTS

A. Budget Operations – April 2014

Town Manager Smith reported tax collections are at 101%. We are at \$714,055 with Tuition - Other Towns. Money for Granby Homes for Senior Citizens was not budgeted but we will receive \$12,900 from a state grant. The last payment for the E911 PSAP Grant will be received in June. All other operations are in good shape.

Selectman Ohannessian inquired about a possible shortage in Tuition - Other Towns. Town Manager Smith reported the Board of Finance indicates there is a possibility we will be short. The budgeted amount was \$897,800. Amount received is \$714,055.

B. Capital Project Activity Update

- Middle School generator project: going out to bid this month
- Sidewalk project: notices have gone out to everyone affected, design almost complete, working on easement rights, goal is to be ready for fall construction
- Holcomb Farm: parking lot completion this summer and punch list items
- Library patio: plans to construct during summer months

C. Discussion on CPPAC

Some considerations for review were bridges needing repair, Granby Public Library addition, DPW Transfer Station building, traffic control Improvements in center of town, communication system improvements, solar use, and new phone system for municipal complex.

VII. FIRST SELECTMAN REPORTS (B. Scott Kuhnly)

Coffee with Kuhnly will be on June 15, 2015, 9 a.m. in the Town Hall Meeting Room.

VIII. SELECTMAN REPORTS (Sally King, Vice Chairman; Ronald Desrosiers, Mark Neumann, and Edward Ohannessian; Paige Holden and Mark McDermott, Student Liaisons)

Selectman Desrosiers expressed his thanks to the people of Granby for giving him the opportunity to serve on the Board of Selectmen for over 21 years. It has been a privilege to represent them and work with the various members of the Board of Selectmen throughout these many years. He also thanked Town Manager Bill Smith and town employees for their professionalism, dedication, and hard work. It was through their partnership with elected officials that we have been able to make Granby a great community in which to live and work.

Student Liaison Paige Holden reported on the Chorus concert and Art expo that took place last week. Also, the girls and boys Lacrosse teams had their final games and they both ended as tournament champs. The softball teams were tournament champs as well. Students will be gearing up for exams soon and Graduation will be on June 18th.

Student Liaison Mark McDermott wished good luck to the Junior and Senior students that will be taking upcoming SAT's and ACT's.

First Selectman Kuhnly said a final "thank you" to resigning Selectman Ron Desrosiers.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

ON A MOTION by Selectman Desrosiers, seconded by Selectman Ohannessian, the Board voted unanimously (5-0-0) to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

William F. Smith, Jr.
Town Manager