

**Regular Meeting of the Eastford Board of Selectmen
Monday, November 9, 2015, 7:00 PM
Eastford Town Office Building
16 Westford Road
Eastford, CT 06242**

Agenda

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1. Call to Order
 2. Citizens Comments
 3. Approval of Minutes
 - Regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen on October 5, 2015
 - Special meeting of the Board of Selectmen on October 30, 2015
 4. Introduction of New Assessor/Mary Lavallee
 5. Resolution Regarding Retired Assessor Carol Crawford
 6. Approval of Farm Exemptions
 7. Property Tax Refunds
 8. Approval of Board of Selectmen Meeting Dates for 2016
 9. Union Society Building Future
 10. Accept Resignation of Tom French from the Camp Nahaco Park Commission
 11. Appointment of Rick Torgeson as Alternate Member for Eastford to the Camp Nahaco Park Commission
 12. Homeland Security Grant Authorizing Resolution
 13. Mill Bridge Road Bridge Project Status Update
 14. School Oil Tank Replacement Project
 15. First Selectman's Report
 16. Communications
 - State Police October Report
 - CCM Legislature Alert – State Deficit
 - Hull Resignation
 - Pharmacy Program Report
 - First Quarter Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Reports
 - LoCIP Approval Letter
 - STEAP Announcement and Memo from Governor
 17. Add to the Agenda upon two-thirds vote of members present and voting
 18. Citizens Comments
 19. Adjournment

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Present: Arthur Brodeur/First Selectman, Terry Cote/Selectman, Robert Torcellini/Selectman

Call to Order:

AB called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm.

Citizens Comments:

Jim Trowbridge congratulated the present administration on their re-election and for continuing to serve for another two years after the election. He supports the potential appointment of Rick Torgeson as alternate Eastford member to the Camp Nahaco Park Commission.

Approval of Minutes:

TC/RT moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen on October 5, 2015 and special meeting on October 30, 2015. Unanimous

Introduction of New Assessor/Mary Lavallee:

AB introduced Mary Lavallee as the new Assessor for the Town of Eastford. Mary told all present that she will work hard and make them proud.

Resolution regarding Retired Assessor Carol Crawford:

AB/RT moved to make the following resolution:

WHEREAS Carol Crawford has retired as Assessor for the Town of Eastford as of September 30, 2015, and

WHEREAS Carol Crawford has given nearly a quarter of a century of caring and devoted service to the people of Eastford,

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Eastford Board of Selectmen thanks her, congratulates her, and wishes her the very best in her retirement.

Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Farm Exemptions:

AB/TC moved to approve the farm exemption for Bigelow Brook Farm LLC.

RT recused himself. Motion passed

TC/RT moved to approve the farm exemptions for John & Joan Buell, Dan & Heather Driscoll for Green Valley Farm, Debra Hamilton, and Kenneth & Suzanne Buell. Unanimous

Property Tax Refunds:

RT/TC moved to approve the property tax refunds as submitted by the Tax Collector. Unanimous

Approval of Board of Selectmen Meeting Dates for 2016:

AB/RT moved approval of the BOS meeting dates for 2016. Unanimous

January 4, 2016

February 1, 2016

March 7, 2016

April 4, 2016

May 2, 2016

June 6, 2016

July 11, 2016

August 1, 2016

September 12, 2016

October 3, 2016

November 14, 2016

December 5, 2016

Union Society Building Future:

The Union Society Building Committee, by motion, agreed to submit to the BOS a new project re-submittal if there is a 2016 STEAP grant round.

Accept Resignation of Tom French from the Camp Nahaco Park Commission:

AB/TC moved to accept the resignation of Tom French from the Camp Nahaco Park Commission. Unanimous

Appointment of Rick Torgeson as Alternate Member for Eastford to the Camp Nahaco Park Commission:

AB/TC moved to appoint Rick Torgeson as Alternate Member for Eastford to the Camp Nahaco Park Commission. Unanimous

Homeland Security Grant Authorizing Resolution:

RT/TC moved that the Board of Selectmen approve the Authorizing Resolution for the First Selectman for the State of Connecticut Homeland Security Grant.

Mill Bridge Road Bridge Project Status Update:

Plans have all been approved. The discussions on right-of-way acquisition are complete. It will soon go out to bid.

School Oil Tank Replacement Project:

There is a Special Town Meeting on November 16, 2015 at the Eastford Elementary School at 7 PM for appropriation of funds for this project.

First Selectman's Report:

- Update on health insurance
- Meeting with Town Engineer regarding the Old Colony Connector Project, Transfer Station Covers, Phoenixville and Downtown planning, and Ashford/Westford Road drainage.
- Clean Energy update
- Emergency Vehicle and new Fire Pumper have been delivered and are in operation.
- Pay loader has been purchased, cleaned and painted
- AB asked Town Engineer to look at the Ivy Glenn Drainage Project and create a plan

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Add to the Agenda:

None

Citizens Comments:

Jim Trowbridge thanked the BOS for their appointment of Rick Torgeson to the Camp Nahaco Park Commission. He informed the Board that the Camp Nahaco Park Commission is nearly finished with its planning process.

Adjournment:

TC/RT moved to adjourn at 7:51 pm. Unanimous

Respectfully submitted by: _____
Brenda A. Willis, Secretary

Approved, December 7, 2015 _____
First Selectman, Arthur W. Brodeur