

REGULAR MEETING OF THE LITCHFIELD BOARD OF SELECTMEN
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2013
TOWN OFFICE BUILDING - 5:30 P.M.

Call to Order: First Selectman Leo Paul, Jr. called the meeting to order at 5:40p.m. Other Selectmen present were Jeffrey Zullo, Paul Parson, Diane Knox, and Jonathan Tarrant.

Approval of Minutes: **Motion:** J. Tarrant moved to approve the regular September 17, 2013 meeting minutes and P. Parsons seconded. All voted aye and the motion carried.

Public Requests/Comments: None

Selectmen's Requests: L. Paul advised the board that he has been invited to attend the Bantam Lake Authority meeting 10/2/13 at 7:00p.m., extending the invitation to all the Selectmen, regarding the Interlocal Agreement concerning the Bantam Lake jams.

Resignations: None

Interviews, Appointments & Reappointments: None

Liaison Reports/Commission-Committee Minutes: None

Vacancies: The list of current appointed vacancies with term expirations is as follows:

Beautification Commission: 4 regular members 2/2015, 2/2014, 2/16, 2/16; 2 alternates 2/2016
Board of Ethics: One alternate member 6/2016
Conservation Commission: 1 member 12/2013; 2 alternate members 12/2015
Economic Development Commission: One regular member 6/2016; 1 alternate 6/2016
Inland Wetlands Commission: 1 alternate member 6/2014
Milton Historic District Commission: 3 alternate members 1/2015, 1/2015, 1/2014
Northwest Regional Mental Health Board, Catchment Area Council #22, at-large member 5/2015
Park & Recreation: 2 alternate members: 6/2017, 6/2014
Recycling Committee: 4 members, 2/2015, two 2/2016, 2/2014
Sandy Beach Commission: 1 regular member 12/2015
Social Services Board: 1 member, 2/2015
Town Hall Building Committee: 1 member, 3/2015
Veteran's Advisory Committee: 2 regular members 8/2016, 8/2015; 2 alternate members 8/2015
Water Pollution Control Authority: 1 regular member 1/2018; 1 alternate member 1/2015

Tax Refunds:

- a) **Motion:** J. Zullo moved to approve the 18 refunds in the amount of \$861.94 and D. Knox seconded. All voted aye and the motion carried.
- b) L. Paul explained that the company that produces the tax bills issued duplicate bills to Toyota Motor Credit and they paid both bills. **Motion:** J. Zullo moved to approve the 15 refunds in the amount of \$5,451.72 that was tabled from 9/17/13 meeting. D. Knox seconded the motion. All voted aye and the motion carried.

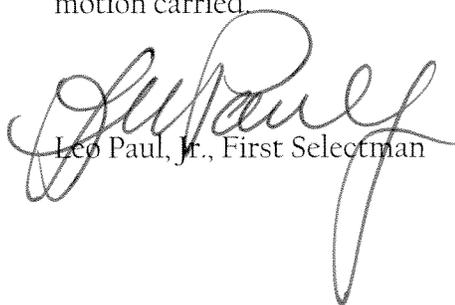
Transfers: None

Old Business: None

New Business: Notification of Proposal to Construct Cell Tower – 469 Bantam Road: L. Paul explained that Kenneth Baldwin from Robinson & Cole met with Town Attorney Mike Rybak and him two weeks ago and notified them of their plans to install a cell tower on the above-noted property owned by the Fabbri's. The Connecticut Siting Council has full authority on this proposal. The town can become interveners, as they have in the past, and can offer alternative sites. Verizon first approached the Connecticut State Police to improve their current tower or rebuild on their property across the street but Connecticut State Police was not interested. L. Paul indicated that he was surprised that the Connecticut State Police would not be interested as this would result in a loss of revenue for the State. The new tower would be shorter than the current tower. L. Paul suggested approaching the State Representatives and Senator to have them contact DPS and discuss the possibility of keeping the current tower location at the State Police Barracks and retaining the revenue. L. Paul is waiting to hear back from Robinson & Cole on whether they would prefer the State Police Barracks location. J. Zullo would like Verizon to provide them with the value of the cell tower for tax purposes. M. Rybak suggested scheduling a town hearing within 90 days to inform the residents of the proposal and get answers to important questions (i.e. tax revenue involved, why didn't they consider the Wamogo site or the State Dept. of Transportation site and why the State Police are not interested in retaining the tower). **Motion:** J. Torrant moved that First Selectman contact Robinson & Cole and request an information town hearing be held on the proposal. D. Knox seconded. All voted aye and the motion passed.

Correspondence: None

Motion: J. Torrant moved to adjourn at 6:12p.m. and D. Knox seconded. All voted aye and the motion carried.



Leo Paul, Jr., First Selectman