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**BOARD OF SELECTMEN
REGULAR MEETING
November 4, 2015**

Present: Norman M. Needleman, First Selectman
Bruce M. Glowac, Selectman
Stacia R. Libby, Selectman

Norman Needleman called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m.

Approval of Agenda:

Motion was made by Norman Needleman to approve the Agenda with one addition under New Business: Mass Notification System. Bruce Glowac seconded the motion. All in favor.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion was made by Stacia Libby to approve the October 21 Minutes. Bruce Glowac seconded the motion. All in favor.

Informational Items, Communications and Correspondence:

CCM Prescription Discount Card Program

640 claims have been processed since April 2013. Essex residents have saved \$25,125.25.

Remote Sensing Survey in North and South Coves

Chris Goodwin, an archeologist, will be performing archeological remote sensing in the North and South Coves. He is looking for archeological signatures of the privateer fleet burned in Essex during the War of 1812.

Connecticut Water Company Season Water Services

The water company sent out a notification to remind seasonal water customers to deactivate their water service this fall.

Connecticut's Economic and Budgetary Reality

Mr. Needleman reported on a packet from the Governor called Connecticut's Economic and Budgetary Reality dated October 28, 2015.

Public Announcements / Comment: None

OLD BUSINESS:

Capital Committee

Mr. Bruce Glowac reported on the curb cuts at Essex Elementary School. Vents have been installed in the Town Hall and the Town garage is completed.

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Amended and Restated Ordinance Creating a Park and Recreation Commission

Norman reported that Park and Recreation will be meeting to discuss this ordinance this evening at 6:00 pm for a special meeting.

Motion was made by Stacia Libby to table this item until the November 18th meeting. Bruce Glowac seconded the motion. All in favor.

Evans Lane Dispute – “Pending Litigation” for FOIA Purposes

Mr. Needleman said that there is a tentative meeting set for next week with the neighbors on Evans Lane to meet on the premises to discuss shrub trimming and winter snow plowing plans.

Motion was made by Stacia Libby to table this item until the November 18th meeting. Bruce Glowac seconded the motion. All in favor.

NEW BUSINESS:

Resolution of Endorsement and Authorization for the Inter-Town Capital Equipment (ICE) Purchase Incentive Program

Mr. Needleman reported that Valley Shore Emergency Communications (VSECI) is seeking a grant for the creation of a multi-site UHF simulcast system to provide enhanced communications for our rural volunteer firefighters and medical technicians. The ICE program provides grants to municipalities who jointly acquire equipment. There are ten towns participating in the grant application.

Motion was made by Stacia Libby to approve and add the Resolution of Endorsement and Authorization (attached) to the Annual Town Meeting on Monday, November 16, 2015 for the Legislative Body's approval. Bruce Glowac seconded the motion, it was unanimously approved. Motion carried.

2016 Holiday Schedule

Motion was made by Stacia Libby to approve the 2016 Town of Essex Holiday Schedule. Bruce Glowac seconded the motion, it was unanimously approved. Motion carried.

2016 Board of Selectmen Meeting Schedule

Motion was made by Bruce Glowac to approve the 2016 Board of Selectmen Meeting Schedule. Stacia Libby seconded the motion, it was unanimously approved. Motion carried.

Norman reminded everyone that:

- The Annual Report Dedication will be at 6:30 on November 16th in the Auditorium
- The Annual Town Meeting will be at 7:00 pm on November 16th
- The Annual Budget Meeting will be at 7:30 pm on May 9th

Mass Notification System

Recently the Town participated in a weather related drill that was run by the State of Connecticut and realized during the drill that if there is no power or cell phone, there is no quick way to notify residents. There was discussion on a Mass Notification Warning Product that delivers clear, powerful voice communication through speaker cells. It was decided to ask other emergency management personnel their opinion on this type of system. This was tabled until the next meeting.

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Appointments and Resignations Board and Commissions

Motion was made by Stacia Libby to recommend the following **Board of Selectmen appointments** to the Annual Town Meeting on November 16. Norman Needleman seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved. Motion carried.

Harbor Management Commission

John Senning
Terry Stewart

Park & Recreation Commission

Peter Sarner (alternate)

Water Pollution Control Authority

Randel Osborne
Leigh Rankin

Zoning Board of Appeals

Paul Greenberg
Ward Feirer (alternate)

Zoning Commission

Larry Shipman
Susan Uihlein

Motion was made by Stacia Libby to recommend the following **Board of Selectmen appointments**. Norman Needleman seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved. Motion carried.

Tree Committee

John Molloy

Norman Needleman reported the following **First Selectman appointments** that will go to the Annual Town Meeting on November 16:

Conservation Commission

Adrienne Forrest
Richard Helmecki
Kathleen Tucker
Jerri MacMillian (alternate)

Economic Development Commission

Elizabeth D'Amico
Lon Seidman
David Sousa

Inland Wetlands Commission

Jim Leo
Jeffrey Lovelace

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Ernest Cook (alternate)

Planning Commission

Carla Feroni

Gary Riggio (alternate)

John Bairos (alternate)

Norman Needleman reported the following **First Selectman appointments:**

Retirement Board

Carl Ellison for a 1 (one) year term

Ethan Goller for a 1 (one) year term

Stacia Libby for a 3 (three) year term

Peter Decker for a 3 (three) year term

Ellen Whaley for a 5 (five) year term

Resignations:

Tree Committee

Kenneth Bombaci

Harbor Management Commission

Walter Schieferdecker

Planning Commission

Robert Laundry

Water Pollution Control Authority

Robert Van Houten

Kenneth Bombaci (alternate)

Zoning Board of Appeals

Alexander Daddona

Board of Assessment Appeals

Ann Dougherty – Elected Official

Agricultural Council Committee

David Sousa

Park and Recreation Commission

John Bauman

Motion was made by Stacia Libby to accept these resignations. Bruce Glowac seconded the motion, it was unanimously approved. Motion carried.

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Board and Commission Vacancies

Conservation Commission - 3 year term
1 Alternate

Harbor Management Commission – 3 year term
1 Alternate

Inland Wetlands Commission – 3 year term
1 Planning Representative Regular Member
1 Regular

Park and Recreation Commission – 3 year term
1 Alternate
1 Regular

Water Pollution Control Authority – 2 year term
1 Regular
1 Alternate

Zoning Board of Appeals
1 Regular

Zoning Commission – 3 year term
1 Alternate

River Council of Government – 2 year term
1 Regular

Agricultural Council Committee
1 Regular

Tree Committee
1 Member

Public Comment: None

SELECTMEN GENERAL DISCUSSION:

Motion was made by Norman Needleman to adjourn the meeting at 6:59 p.m. Bruce Glowac seconded the motion, it was unanimously approved. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Maria P. Lucarelli



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RESOLUTION OF ENDORSEMENT AND AUTHORIZATION

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the Legislative Body of the Town of Essex convened on Monday, November 16th 2015 at 7:00 pm and adopted a Resolution by the vote of _____ to _____ which *endorsed* the **Inter-Town Capital Equipment (ICE) Purchase Incentive Program** proposal listed below, as referenced in Connecticut General Statutes Section 4-66m, as amended by PA 15-170.

The proposal is to complete the grant application for the Towns of Chester, Deep River, Essex, Durham, Haddam, Killingworth, Lyme, Middlefield, Old Lyme, and Westbrook for the creation of a multi-site UHF simulcast system to provide enhanced communications for our rural volunteer firefighters and medical technicians.

In addition, the Legislative Body has authorized Norman M. Needleman, First Selectman to act on this endorsement by signing all necessary agreements and take all necessary actions related to this proposal to enter into a binding agreement with the Office of Policy and Management according to terms of the ICE grant program.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed this certificate this 17th day of November, 2015.

Joel Marzi
Town Clerk