

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN – JANUARY 10, 2023**  
**MEETING MINUTES**  
**ZOOM MEETING**

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Meeting called to order at 7:06 PM. Present were First Selectman Don Stein and Selectmen Ray Pech and Nick Lukiwsky

**DELEGATIONS:** No delegations were present.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** No public comments were made.

**MOTION:** Ray Pech made a motion, seconded by Nick Lukiwsky, and passed unanimously to approve the minutes of the December 28, 2022 meeting

**MOTION:** A motion was made by Nick Lukiwsky, seconded by Ray Pech, and passed unanimously to approve the following Tax Refunds:

Armand & Becky Sartirana	\$ 45.03	Credit
	\$ 66.43	Refund
Kathleen & Barry Stadler	\$ 20.33	Credit
Hyundai Lease Titling Trust	\$ 241.93	Refund
Damian Vincent	\$ 39.21	Credit
	\$ 19.17	Refund
Shawn Wainman	\$ 26.95	Credit

**DISCUSSION:** The Selectmen reviewed the General Government budget actuals through 12/31/2022 and the Tax Collections through the same period. Per Terri Collins, we are on track with last year and expect to meet our collection goals. To-date, we have received 63.93% of the budgeted taxes for the Town, as compared to 63.90% at the same time last year. We are behind on Prior Years and Interest & Lien Fees, but those are a small percentage of the total budget. The Fire District is significantly ahead on their taxes.

Relative to the overall General Government budget, we have expended 61.52% of the budget and are 50% through the fiscal year. Salaries are on track, as are benefits related to payroll. Health insurance is over due to payment of HSA's, which is an annual occurrence. General Government is also over due to liability insurance and heating oil coming in higher than budgeted. Also, the software used in the offices tend to gets billed for the full year rather than monthly. Town Aid Road has not been distributed to the Highway Department General Maintenance line item as yet, so that total is over budget, but overall the road budgets will

meet their targets once TAR is applied. We have also received our full year's allotment of that grant, so cash flow will not be a problem. Public Health and Safety and Miscellaneous are on track due to the lack of billing by some agencies and some being paid for the full year.

**DISCUSSION:** The Selectmen reviewed a potential agenda for a Special Town Meeting and decided on a date of February 7 for that meeting. The items to be considered are:

- Appointment to Stanclift Cove Authority (there is an interested candidate)
- Open burning ordinance
- Snowstorm parking ordinance
- LOCIP Five Year Plan

The ordinances are preliminary and will be reviewed and acted on at the next meeting, as will the final call for the meeting and the LOCIP Capital Plan.

**DISCUSSION:** Don Stein informed the other Selectmen that we continue to get small checks for the opioid settlement being brokered by the CT Attorney General along with several other States. The final total that we will receive is not yet known and there is an initiative at the Council of Governments to collaborate and pool the towns' funds to maximize our ability to utilize these funds. The exact structure of the collaboration is not yet known, but will be discussed as it develops.

**MOTION:** Ray Pech made a motion, seconded by Nick Lukiwsky, and passed unanimously to add to the agenda: Approve Grant Contract with the Historic Preservation Program/Connecticut State Library

**MOTION:** Nick Lukiwsky made a motion, seconded by Ray Pech, and passed unanimously to authorize the First Selectman to execute the contract for the Historic Documents Preservation Program. This grant is for \$5,500 for reformatting, microfilming and purchasing supplies to preserve historic records.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 PM on a motion by Ray Pech, seconded by Nick Lukiwsky and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Donald S. Stein  
First Selectman