

Mayor and Board of Selectmen's Meeting Minutes

February 3, 2025

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TOPIC	Discussion	
PRESENT:	Mayor Seney, Deputy Mayor Simmons, Selectman Hayes, Selectman Pempek, Selectwoman Marion, Selectman Paquin, Selectman Pomes	
ABSENT:		
1.	Call to Order by the Presiding Officer	Meeting was called to order by Mayor Seney at 7:00 PM
2.	Pledge of Allegiance	Led by Mayor Seney
3.	Public Comment	None
4.	Approval of the Minutes	A. Minutes from January 21, 2025, Mayor, and Board of Selectmen Meeting Selectman Pomes made a motion to approve the minutes from the January 21, 2025, Mayor and Board of Selectmen Meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Selectman Pempek and passed unanimously.
5.	Petitions & Communications	A. Cable TV Advisory Council of Eastern CT Letter was received by the Mayor's office regarding the need to appoint 2 members from the Town and 1 BOE member to the Cable TV Advisory Council of Eastern CT. Mayor Seney asked the Board to consider names for appointment. B. Henry Breault day - March 8, 2025 Mayor Seney informed the Selectmen there will be a Henry Breault Day on March 8, 2025. More information will be forthcoming.
6.	Reports of Special Committees	None
7.	Reports of Standing Committees	A. General Government Committee A meeting of the General Government Committee has been scheduled for February 18, 2025, at 6:00 PM Deputy Mayor Simmons made a motion to add two items to the agenda. The first one, item 8A) Unfinished Business EMS and the second, item 10 C) under New Business Steap Grant. The motion was seconded by Selectwoman Marion and passed unanimously.

8.	Unfinished Business	A.	EMS Deputy Mayor Simmons made a motion to have Town Administrator Sistare send a letter to Tammy Szyrka at EMS and ask the following questions. A) have test runs been completed B) When was that completed or anticipated to be completed and C) what were the results. He would like to have the information for the next Mayor and Board of Selectmen's meeting on February 18 th or a reason why the answers aren't ready. The motion was seconded by Selectman Paquin and passed unanimously.
9.	Grant Considerations & Updates	A.	Resolution – Emergency Management Performance Grant Deputy Mayor Simmons made a motion to approve the resolution for the Emergency Management Performance Grant. The motion was seconded by Selectman Paquin and passed unanimously.
10.	New Business	A.	Boxcar Museum – request to waive building permit fee. Deputy Mayor Simmons made a motion to waive the building permit fee for the Boxcar Museum project. The motion was seconded by Selectman Paquin and passed unanimously.
		B.	Application for use of road – Natchaug Epic Bicycle Tour Selectwoman Marion made a motion to approve the application for road use for the Natchaug Epic Bicycle Tour. The motion was seconded by Selectman Pempek and passed unanimously.
		C.	STEAP Grant \$1,000,000.00 Deputy Mayor Simmons made a motion to approve the resolution for improvements to the St. Marie Greenhalgh Sports Complex, to be funded through the STEAP grant. The motion was seconded by Selectman Paquin and passed unanimously.
11.	Public Comment		3 minute maximum per person
12.	Executive Session		Contract negotiations – WPCA Deputy Mayor Simmons made a motion to recess the Mayor and Board of Selectmens meeting and go into Executive Session at 7:14 PM, for the purpose of contract negotiations – WPCA, inviting in Town Administrator Sistare and WPCA Chairman Perron. The motion was seconded by Selectman Pempek and passed unanimously. Selectman Paquin made a motion to come out of executive session and reconvene the Mayor and Board of Selectmens meeting at 7:54 PM. The motion was seconded by Deputy Mayor Simmons and passed unanimously.
13.	Adjournment		Selectman Paquin made a motion to adjourn at 7:54PM. The motion was seconded by Deputy Mayor Simmons and passed unanimously.
			Respectfully submitted: Denise A. Geeza, Executive Assistant

