

TOWN OF WILLINGTON

BOARD OF SELECTMEN Special Meeting Minutes

Board of Selectmen
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**Town Office Building
Via Zoom Meeting**

**August 31, 2020
6:30 PM**

First Selectwoman Wiecenski called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM with Selectmen Boritz & Blessington & residents.

A. Municipal Certification of Resolution STEAP Grant

First Selectwoman Wiecenski moved to adopt the following Resolution:

“RESOLVED, that First Selectman Erika G. Wiecenski be, and hereby is, authorized to accept on behalf of the Town of Willington, a 2020 Connecticut STEAP Grant in the amount of \$128,205 for Old Town Hall Repairs and Renovations at 11 Common Road; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that First Selectman Erika G. Wiecenski is hereby authorized to enter into and execute any and all agreements, contracts and documents necessary to obtain said 2020 STEAP Grant with the State of Connecticut.”

Selectwoman Boritz seconded the motion.

First Selectwoman Wiecenski noted that the STEAP Grant was mentioned at one of the last meetings; where she noted we would be applying for STEAP funds. The deadline was extended to last Friday, in which the application was submitted for renovations and a completion of a new septic system at the Old Town Hall. First Selectwoman Wiecenski also noted that the funding level for this round of STEAP is considerably less than offered in years past; therefore the Old Town Hall project fits within the budget. The State noted that priority will be given to COVID-19 related projects and renovations in the hall will allow us to hold meetings with social distancing separation in place.

Vote: 3 Yes (Wiecenski, Boritz & Blessington) 0 No.

B. Appoint Town Clerk

First Selectwoman Wiecenski noted that our previous Town Clerk resigned at the end of July. After holding a meeting last week with a hiring committee an offer was made and accepted last week.

Selectman Blessington moved to appoint Robin Campbell as Willington Town Clerk; effective September 1, 2020; expiring August 31, 2024.

Selectwoman Boritz seconded the motion.

First Selectwoman Wiecenski noted Ms. Campbell's dedication and will carry forth from the Selectmen's office to the Town Clerk's office. She is up for the challenge and the best person for the job. First Selectwoman Wiecenski noted that she will miss working with Ms. Campbell; but this is something she has been interested in some time now.

Selectwoman Boritz noted it is important to keep staff here and to allow them to take advantage of opportunities that they want to pursue. She added that she is happy that they could make this work for everyone and the Town.

Robin Campbell thanked the Selectmen and is humbled. This is something that she has wanted for a long time and is honored to serve the Town of Willington as Town Clerk.

Vote: 3 Yes (Wiecenski, Boritz & Blessington) 0 No.

Maureen Gantick, Assistant Town Clerk noted that she is thrilled to work with Ms. Campbell.

First Selectwoman Wiecenski noted that the Registrar of Voters and Town Clerk have a lot of work to do over the next few months – she looks forward to seeing what they do.

First Selectwoman Wiecenski moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:38 PM

Selectman Blessington seconded the motion.

Vote: 3 Yes (Wiecenski, Boritz & Blessington) 0 No.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robin Campbell

Office Manager

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