TOWN OF STERLING BOARD OF SELECTMEN July 11, 2018

MEETING:

Chairman Lane called the Board of Selectmen meeting to order at 8:30 am. Roll Call: Selectman Kilcoyne – Present. Selectman Cranson – Present. Chairman Lane – Present.

Minutes

Selectman Cranson moved to approve the amended minutes of June 27rd, 2018, as written. Selectman Kilcoyne 2nd. Selectman Kilcoyne – Aye. Selectman Cranson – Aye. Chairman Lane – Aye. Motion Carried.

Selectman Cranson moved to approve the executive minutes of June 13rd, 2018, as written. Not to be released prior to the resolution of the issue. Selectman Kilcoyne 2nd. Selectman Kilcoyne – Aye. Selectman Cranson – Aye. Chairman Lane – Aye. Motion Carried.

Town Fair Agreements After discussion, Selectman Cranson moved to approve and sign the 2018 Airport Usage Agreement for the Fair. Selectman Kilcoyne 2nd. Selectman Kilcoyne – Aye. Selectman Cranson – Aye. Chairman Lane – Aye. Motion Carried.

After discussion, Selectman Cranson moved to approve and sign the 2018 Hold Harmless agreement between HTX Helicopters LLC and the Town of Sterling, for the Fair. Selectman Kilcoyne 2nd. Selectman Kilcoyne – Aye. Selectman Cranson – Aye. Chairman Lane – Aye. Motion Carried.

Town Counsel Appointment Gregg Corbo of KP Law addressed the Board. He gave a general reckoning of the legal expenditures for FY 18. They were as follows;

General Legal Services - \$18,331.76

General Labor Services - \$7,047.71

Contract Negotiations - \$16,078.37 (The Police Union contract was extended for a year, so the Town anticipates a substantial savings on this particular area for FY19.

LCM Realty Trust v. Town - \$17, 152.15 (This issue is still on-going. However, the Board is hopeful that it will come to a close shortly)

Hardscrabble Road RFP – (The land has been divided and sold.

Conservation Vs Pendleton – \$4,058.50 (this issue has come to a close)

Rte. 110 Chapter Land (61) - \$90.00

The total expense incurred for legal assistance was \$64,144.25. The Board is pleased that FY18 legal fees were held to a reasonable level. They attribute that success to strict adherence to the policy that requires those who wish to engage Town Counsel to go through the Town Administrator.

The Board also thanked Attorney Corbo for helping to initiate Abandoned Housing Assistance through the Attorney General's Office. With input from the State, the Town has been able to move forward in resolving the issues at 3 Princeton Road. The Attorney General's task force for these issues costs nothing to the town.

After further discussion, Selectman Kilcoyne moved to approve KP law as Sterling's Town Counsel, for Fiscal Year 2019. Selectman Cranson- 2nd. Selectman Kilcoyne – Aye. Selectman Cranson – Aye. Chairman Lane – Aye. Motion Carried.

At 9:03am, Selectman Cranson moved to adjourn for a recess to view the Vietnam Veterans "Healing Wall" as it passes through town. Selectman Kilcoyne 2nd. Selectman Kilcoyne – Aye. Selectman Cranson – Aye. Chairman Lane – Aye. Motion Carried.

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Executive session

At 9:52, Selectman Cranson moved to reconvene in public session. Selectman Kilcoyne 2nd. Selectman Kilcoyne – Aye. Selectman Cranson – Aye. Chairman Lane – Aye. Motion Carried.

At 9:54, Selectman Kilcoyne moved to enter into executive session for exemption #3 for the purpose of discussing strategy with respect to litigation, if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the litigating position of the public body and the chair so declares. (Chairman Lane declared) Selectman Cranson 2nd. Roll Call VOTE: Selectman Kilcoyne - Aye. Selectman Cranson – Aye. Chairman Lane – Aye. Motion carried and the Board proceeded into Executive session.

At 11:22am, Selectman Cranson moved to reconvene in public session. Selectman Kilcoyne 2nd. Selectman Kilcoyne – Aye. Selectman Cranson – Aye. Chairman Lane – Aye. Motion Carried.

Chairman Lane stated that the Board would have no comment regarding the Executive session.

Year-end transfers

After discussion, Selectman Cranson moved to approve the request for an Alternative Appropriation Transfer for \$511.11 from Town Administrator expenses to the Open Space Implementation Committee to cover out- of-pocket expenses made by the OSIC. Selectman Kilcoyne 2nd. Selectman Kilcoyne – Aye. Selectman Cranson – Aye. Chairman Lane – Aye. Motion Carried.

After discussion, Selectman Cranson moved to approve the request for an Alternative Appropriation Transfer for \$7,525.00 from Town Administrator expenses to the Facilities Account to cover unexpected elevator repairs and for flooring repairs at the Fire Department. Selectman Kilcoyne 2nd. Selectman Kilcoyne – Aye. Selectman Cranson – Aye. Chairman Lane – Aye. Motion Carried.

One Day Licenses

Selectman Kilcoyne moved to approve the one day alcohol request for Colleen and Mary Frost for the 228 LLC on August 5th from 10:00am – 3:00pm for a Baby Shower. Selectman Cranson 2nd. Chairman Lane – Aye. Selectman Kilcoyne – Aye. Selectman Cranson – Aye. Motion Carried.

Selectman Kilcoyne moved to approve the one day alcohol request for Andrea Morales-Ahmed for the 228 LLC on August 19th from 11:00am – 5:00pm for a Birthday Party. Selectman Cranson 2nd. Chairman Lane – Aye. Selectman Kilcoyne – Aye. Selectman Cranson – Aye. Motion Carried.

Public session

No one spoke at public session.

Adjourn

At 11:33 am, Selectman Cranson moved to adjourn. Selectman Kilcoyne 2nd. Selectman Cranson - Aye. Selectman Kilcoyne – Aye. Chairman Lane– Aye. Motion carried.

Materials: minutes, Fiar Agreements, Summary of legal fees, Transfer requests, One day alcohol requests