

In attendance: N. Gorski, L. Annino, Jr., J. Young (by phone), W. Linsley

1. The meeting was called to order at 8:30 am.
2. MIRA contract
Motion by Annino to accept the Second Amendment to the MIRA Tier 1 Municipal Solid Waste Management Services Agreement
Discussion: Gorski recapped recent steps: A signature is required by March 31 on the 5 -year MIRA contract. Gorski has consulted with town attorney, with neighboring towns, and with MIRA and recommends that the board sign the amendment. Next steps will involve an RFP, through RiverCog to explore future options. The posted document will be amended to reflect the new tipping fee rate indicated on page 5 (\$111 vs \$116/ton) and any yellow highlighted areas are to be completed by Gorski.
The motion, seconded by Young, passed unanimously.
3. GZA change order
Motion by Young to accept the change order from GZA GeoEnvironmental Inc, in the amount of \$3,500.
There was brief discussion. The total costs are being shared with KES. Proposals for future remediation projects will be subject to town bidding regulations.
The motion, seconded by Annino, passed unanimously.
4. Deer Lake Property
Annino drafted the following resolution for consideration. Gorski read into the record:
CERTIFIED RESOLUTION
Be it resolved that the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Killingworth strongly support efforts towards the conservation of a 250-acre parcel property known as Deer Lake Scout Reservation and its protection from development in perpetuity.

To this end, this Board further resolves to strongly support the efforts of the Trust for Public Land to acquire the Deer Lake property for precisely this purpose. We further recognize the supporting efforts to this end of other conservation organizations. These include the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection, and other local towns as well as state, and national organizations.

The Deer Lake property has represented and is currently a part of interconnecting open space properties bridging a vital greenway from the Connecticut shoreline through Killingworth and well into the central part of the state. This parcel remaining as open space is further a strategic component of the town's Plan for Conservation and Development.

While we recognize the Connecticut Yankee Council of the Boy Scouts rights as landowners to transfer the property to the highest bidder, we ask that they also strongly consider the value of conserving the land as was enjoyed by the Boy Scouts for decades. To do otherwise would be disingenuous to the Scout's Outdoor Code to do their best to "be conservation minded".

There was brief discussion.
Young moved to accept the above Certified Resolution. The motion, seconded by Annino passed unanimously.

Gorski drafted the following appeal to Governor Ned Lamont:

The Board of Selectmen of the Town of Killingworth submit Deer Lake Scout Reservation is a crucial part of the state greenway that runs through the town of Killingworth. This property is an integral part of protected land that includes Chatfield Hollow State Park, Cockaponset State Forest, Connecticut Water Company land, and Killingworth Land Trust parcels. Unlike many other towns, Killingworth still has the opportunity to create an interconnected network of open space and greenways throughout the town. A long-term goal is that protected open space should ultimately form an interconnected network of conservation land and should be a priority for preservation as open space.

The Board of Selectmen passed the attached resolution today strongly supporting efforts towards the conservation of this 250-acre parcel property and its protection from development in perpetuity. We seek your support in helping us to fulfill this resolution.

There was consensus to forward the resolution and cover letter to Governor Lamont. There was brief discussion . Annino underscored that while there are many reasons to support the preservation of Deer Lake Property, the fact that it sits in the center of the main aquifer is most important. Killingworth is 100% dependent upon local aquifers for potable water

5. Adjournment

Gorski moved adjournment at 8:49 a.m. The motion, seconded by Young, passed unanimously.

Submitted by Elizabeth Disbrow on 3/21/22.