

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

The Special Town Meeting was called to order by First Selectwoman Nancy Gorski at 7:03 P.M. in the All Purpose Room of the Killingworth Elementary School on Tuesday, February 15, 2022 to consider and act upon the following items of business:

- 1. To accept a proposal to join the Connecticut River Area Health District (CRAHD). The complete text of the proposal is on file in the office of the Town Clerk.**
- 2. To approve an ordinance which would allow the Board of Selectmen to appoint additional members to the Board of Assessment Appeals. The complete text of the proposed ordinance is on file in the office of the Town Clerk.**
- 3. To confirm the Selectmen's appointment of William Raymond Burley and Brian James Blair as Killingworth representatives to the Haddam-Killingworth Recreation Authority, for a term to commence upon confirmation and to continue until June 30, 2022.**
- 4. To confirm the Selectmen's appointment of Jamie Mowat Young to the Representative Policy Board, South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority for a term ending June 30, 2023.**

Andrew O'Neill moved to nominate Elizabeth Disbrow to serve as Moderator; seconded by Richard Bauer. There being no further nominations, Louis C. Annino Jr. moved nominations be closed; seconded by Andrew O'Neill. Following voice votes, both the motion to close nominations as well as the original motion to nominate Ms. Disbrow carried unanimously. Ms. Disbrow detailed the rules of eligibility to vote at the meeting, noted Robert's Rules of Order would be followed, and explained that votes would be conducted by voice unless otherwise necessary.

Town Clerk Dawn Rees Mooney read the call of the meeting. Andrew O'Neill moved to accept the call; seconded by Jamie Mowat Young. Following a voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Gorski introduced and made the following motion:

To accept a proposal to join the Connecticut River Area Health District (CRAHD). The complete text of the proposal is on file in the office of the Town Clerk.

Seconded by Louis Annino Jr. Mrs. Gorski explained that CT General Statutes require municipalities to maintain health departments and noted there have been no applicants for the Health Director position. She detailed CRAHD's fees/services, adding that CRAHD has provided the town's health services for 3 months with excellent feedback. Residents questioned the term of the contract (Amy Perry), if services would be available in town (Cathy Iino), and whether the town would pay for services needed only by large towns (Casey Jacobs). Mrs. Gorski specified the contract period as 2 years citing 6-month required notice to opt-out, assured residents that CRAHD would maintain office hours in Town Hall, and explained that CRAHD charges a per-capita fee. Susan Nesci, Public Health Agency, and Richard Bauer, KVFC, spoke in favor of CRAHD and an email from Lucinda and Thomas Hogarty supporting the health district was shared. Following this discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Gorski introduced and made the following motion:

To approve an ordinance which would allow the Board of Selectmen to appoint additional members to the Board of Assessment Appeals. The complete text of the proposed ordinance is on file in the office of the Town Clerk.

Seconded by Louis Annino Jr. Mrs. Gorski read the entire ordinance aloud explaining the anticipated increase in appeals due to the recent revaluation, and answered one question (Andrew O'Neill) clarifying that the ordinance could be re-used in the future by simply changing the dates. Following this short discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Gorski introduced and made the following motion:

To confirm the Selectmen's appointment of William Raymond Burley and Brian James Blair as Killingworth representatives to the Haddam-Killingworth Recreation Authority, for a term to commence upon confirmation and to continue until June 30, 2022.

Seconded by Jamie Mowat Young. There being no discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Gorski explained that Killingworth's Attorney recommended that the final agenda item be tabled until the next meeting and made the following motion:

To table until the next meeting the Selectmen's appointment of Jamie Mowat Young to the Representative Policy Board, South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority for a term ending June 30, 2023.

Seconded by Louis Annino Jr. Following Mrs. Gorski's brief explanation referencing Sections 6-1 and 5-14 of the Killingworth Charter, a voice vote was not definitive. The vote was then conducted by a show of hands and the motion carried 25 yes to 21 no.

The meeting adjourned at 7:29 P.M. Respectfully submitted,

Dawn Rees Mooney, Town Clerk