

TOWN OF KILLINGLY
ORDINANCE SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING
Thursday, February 6, 2020, 6:00PM
Room 102, Killingly Town Hall, 172 Main Street, Killingly

Meeting Minutes

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1. **Call To Order - TM:** Town Manager Calorio called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

Members Present:	Kevin Kerttula, Ray Wood
Members Absent with Notification:	Patti George
Others Present:	Town Manager Mary Calorio
2. **Election of chair**
R. Wood nominated K. Kerttula for Chairperson. **Nomination carries 2-0.**
3. **Citizens Participation:** R. Wood read a statement by South Killingly Fire Chief in support of modifying the abatement for volunteer fire and EMS to match State Statutes.
4. **Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meeting:**
 - a. August 19, 2019 - K. Kerttula made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. R. Wood seconded the motion which passed unanimously 2-0-0.
5. **Unfinished Business** - None
6. **New Business:**
 - a. Discussion and possible action on the recommendation of the draft amendment to Chapter 2 – Administration to include amendments to Chapters 8, 12 and 15 for Boards and Commissions.
TM Calorio presented the proposed amendments to Chapter 2 which is a result of the Charter Revision which passed in November. The revisions included alphabetizing the Boards and Commissions and adding the Boards and Commissions which had been previously listed in the Charter. The revisions to Chapters 8, 12 and 15 was to reclassify the formation, purpose and duties of the Board or Commission to Chapter 2. TM Calorio outlined minor edits recommended by the Town Attorney. The Town Attorney recommends removing expired special commissions.

K. Kerttula made a motion to recommend the proposed amendments as revised by the Town Attorney to the Town Council for approval. R. Wood seconded the motion which passed unanimously 2-0-0
 - b. Discussion and possible action on the recommendation of the draft amendment to Chapter 14 – Firefighter and Emergency Volunteer Personnel Property Tax Abatement
TM Calorio presented the proposed amendment to Chapter 14 to incorporate new State legislative language which increased the maximum abatement. Members discussed current participation in the abatement program. TM Calorio outlined minor edits recommended by the Town Attorney.

R. Wood made a motion to recommend the proposed amendments as revised by the Town Attorney to the Town Council for approval. K. Kerttula seconded the motion which passed unanimously 2-0-0
7. **Adjournment**
Motion to adjourn by R. Wood at 6:42 PM. **Second** by K. Kerttula. **Motion** carried 2-0-0.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary T. Calorio, Town Manager

From: seth deangelis <sethdeangelis65@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, February 6, 2020 11:10 AM
To: Raymond Wood II; seth deangelis
Subject: tax abatment

Statement regarding an increase in Tax abatement's for Firefighter in the town of Killingly

On behalf of the South Killingly Fire Dept I would like to urge the Town of Killingly to adopt the increase in available tax abatements for volunteer fire fighters in our town. Thousands of man-hours are given each year by our citizens to help keep our community safe.

Many of these individuals have chosen to volunteer instead of working second jobs which can have an effect on their earning power. The tax abatement has a direct effect on their families. In addition it is a valuable tool to reward and retain members who have committed many years to volunteering. Maximizing the tax abatement means giving 20 years of service to our town and for those members eligible they represent an incredible asset.

It is increasingly difficult to retain good certified members and I believe this program has an effect on that and encourage the Town to increase to the maximum amount. Thank you

Seth DeAngelis
Fire Chief
Killingly Fire Dept