**KILLINGLY TOWN COUNCIL**

**SPECIAL TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**

Date: Tuesday, January 7, 2020

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Place: Town Meeting Room

Killingly Town Hall

AGENDA

KILLINGLY TOWN COUNCIL

The Town Council of the Town of Killingly held a Special Meeting on Tuesday, January 7, 2020

at 7:00 p.m. in the Town Meeting Room of the Killingly Town Hall, 172 Main Street, Killingly, Connecticut.  The agenda was as follows:

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Roll Call**
3. **Interviews of Board/Commission applicants**
4. **Citizens’ Statements and Petitions** (limited to the subject(s) on this agenda; individual presentations not to exceed 5 minutes; limited to an aggregate of 45 minutes)

**5. Old Business**

**6. New Business:**

a) Presentation of Killingly Energy Center by Tim Eves, NTE

b) Appointment of Town Attorney

**7. Executive Session**

a) Evaluation of Town Attorney Candidates

**8. Adjournment**

1. Chairman Anderson called the special meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2.   On Roll Call, all counselors were present except Ms. George, who was absent with notification. Town Manager Calorio and Council Secretary Buzalski were also present.

3. Interviews of Board/Commission applicants:

Councilors interviewed **Fred Ruhlmann**. Mr. Ruhlmann is interested in being reappointed to the Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Commission as an Alternate Member. The new term would run from 09/2019 through 08/2021.

Councilors interviewed **Gerard CinqMars**. Mr. CinqMars is interested in being reappointed to the Water Pollution Control Authority as a Regular Member. The new term would run from 11/2019 through 10/2021.

The Conservation Commission currently has one Regular vacancy and one Alternate vacancy. The Regular term would run 3/2019 thru 2/2024. The Alternate term would run 5/2019 thru 10/2021.

Councilors interviewed **Jacob Gadbois** of 68 Pratt Rd, Dayville, CT. Mr. Gadbois is interested in being appointed as a Regular Member of the Conservation Commission.

Councilors interviewed **Jean Mountford** of 281 Bailey Hill Rd, Danielson, CT. Ms. Mountford is interested in being appointed as either a Regular Member or an Alternate Member of the Conservation Commission.

Councilors interviewed **John Sarantopoulos** of 37 Tunk City Rd, Danielson, CT. Mr. Sarantopoulos is interested in being appointed as either a Regular or Alternate member of

the Planning and Zoning Commission. There are currently two Alternate Vacancies. The alternate term would run 1/2020 thru 12/2023.

The Public Safety Commission currently one Regular vacancy and one Alternate vacancy. The Regular term would run 1/2020 thru 12/2024. The Alternate term would run 1/20 thru 2/2022.

Councilors interviewed **Mark LeFebvre, Jr**, 137A Reynolds St, Danielson, CT. Mr. LeFebvre is interested in being appointed as either a Regular or Alternate member of the Public Safety Commission.

Councilors interviewed **Tammy Wakefield,** 130 North St, Killingly, CT. Ms. Wakefield is interested in being appointed as either Regular or Alternate Member of the Public Safety Commission.

The Zoning Board of Appeals currently has two Regular vacancies and three Alternate vacancies. The Regular term would run 2/2018 thru 1/2023. The Alternate term would run 2/2019 thru 1/2024.

Councilors interviewed **Lynn LaBerge**, 28 East Franklin St Apt B, Killingly, CT. Ms. LaBerge is interested in either the Regular or Alternate member of the Zoning Board of Appeals.

4. Citizens’ Statements and Petitions:

Pam McWilliams, 215 North Shore Rd, spoke against the proposed power plant because of health concerns that would occur with the increased pollution.

Peter Kerensky, 196 Forest Lane, spoke about the dangers of natural gas and fracking and the problems with the Algonquin Pipeline.

Nancy Grandelski, Upper Maple St, asked for a question-and-answer period after the NTE presentation. She also asked the Council to consider a non-binding resolution against the power plant.

Diane Smith, 38 Robert Ave, questioned the use of the Lake Road Generating plant stack as a model for the KEC project and feels the comparison was incomplete and misleading

Roger Kuhns, 7 Bradley Lane, Mystic, CT, spoke against the power plant and noted inconsistency with the Global Warming Solutions Act of zero carbon by 2050 and NTE’s goal of an 80% reduction of emissions by 2040. He suggested one alternative to more power plants could an increased use of microgrids.

Dave Clark, 105 Alm Rd, Thompson, CT, spoke about the lack of need for another fossil fuel power plant in the area.

Kate Donnelly, 202 Station Rd, Hampton, CT, spoke against the power plant, citing the potential for increased health risks for the community and asked the Council to withdraw their support for the project.

Ian McDonald, 548 Valley Rd, spoke against the power plant.

Bill Kerensky, 117 Perry Hill Rd, Ashford, CT, spoke against the power plant.

Amy Sterling, Maple St, spoke about the problems with methane leakage and emissions.

Melinda Fields, Hampton, CT, spoke about the inversion effect in the area where the power plant would be sited and how that effect would cause serious problems with pollution.

Ed McWilliams, North Shore Rd, spoke about the downwash effect and the stack height being too short. He also pointed out that NTE’s initial application reports that the KEC will exceed the significant impact levels for NO2 and PM2.5 standards under some conditions.

Dan Berk, Lannon Farm, 251 Lake Rd, is concerned about runoff water contamination from the power plant site. He feels there should be no connection point between the runoff water and the wetlands.

Rachel Gershin, Hampton, CT, spoke against the proposed plant and asked if there were any contingency plans for a catastrophic event.

Earl McWilliams, 215 North Shore Rd, spoke about the EPA’s 2.5 rule about stack height and feels that NTE’s plan for the stack height is misleading. He also noted that FAA rules limit the stack height. He is concerned with the project being started and then abandoned for lack of funds.

5. Old Business: None

6. New Business

6a. Presentation of the Killingly Energy Center by Tim Eves, NTE

Tim Eaves, NTE, presented an update on the Killingly Energy Center to the Council.

6b. Appointment of Town Attorney

Agenda item moved after Executive Session.

7. Executive Session

Mr. Grandelski made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lee, to move to Executive Session with Town Manager Calorio to discuss the Town Attorney Candidates.

Voice vote: Unanimous. Motion passed.

Moved to Executive Session at 9:46 p.m. and returned from Executive Session at 10:33 p.m.

6b. Appointment of Town Attorney

Mr. Grandelski made a motion, seconded by Mr. Wood, to adopt the following:

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING TOWN ATTORNEY**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF KILLINGLY that, pursuant to Chapter IX, Section 902, of the Killingly Town Charter, that:

a) the firm of Halloran & Sage be appointed as Town Attorney:

KILLINGLY TOWN COUNCIL

Jason Anderson

Chairman

Dated at Killingly, Connecticut

This 7th day of January 2020

Discussion followed.

Voice vote: Unanimous. Motion passed.

8. Adjournment

Mr. Kerttula made a motion, seconded by Ms. Brakenwagen, to adjourn the meeting.

Voice Vote:  Unanimous. Motion passed.

The meeting ended at 10:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Buzalski

Council Secretary

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