



**TOWN OF THOMPSON**  
**Board of Selectmen - Minutes**  
**Tuesday - November 21, 2023**  
**Merrill Seney Room, Town Hall**  
**and via ZOOM Online Meeting Portal**

- I. The Call to Order by First Selectman Amy St Onge was at 7:00 PM with all Selectmen present. Roll call: First Selectman Amy St Onge, Selectmen Ken Beausoleil, and Susanne Witkowski. Members of Boards and Commissions and the public, Recording Secretary Dotti Durst
- II. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
- III. Approval of Minutes:
  - A. **Motion A. St Onge seconded by S. Witkowski to approve the minutes of the 11-08-2023 BOS Special Meeting carried unanimously.**
- IV. Correspondence: none was received before the agenda was posted
- V. Selectmen Comments:
  - K. Beausoleil \* best wishes to everyone for a safe holiday \* remember the Transfer Station will close for the Thanksgiving holiday but will re-open on Saturday
  - S. Witkowski \* happy holiday to all and safe travels for those who will be on the roads
  - A. St Onge: \* The resignation of Jason St Onge from the ZBA was received after the Agenda was posted. He has moved to the Planning and Zoning Commission as an alternate. \* The Assistant Town Clerk, Gail Livingstone, contacted the State about the need to purchase an additional 100 dog tags, as the Animal Control Officer's work is prompting people to come in to register their pets, once again confirming the need for an active person in that capacity.
  - \* After the agenda was posted: Correspondence from Fire Chief Bodreau recommends a new member of the Quinebaug Fire Police Commission, Frederick E. Cote.
  - Motion A. St Onge seconded by K. Beausoleil to add an agenda item under Other # XII to address correspondence from Quinebaug Fire Chief Bodreau carried unanimously.**
- VI. Citizen Comments: none
- VII. Emergency Management Authorizing (annual) Resolution for the Homeland Security Grant Program; it will go to the Town Clerk for signature and filing.  
**Motion K. Beausoleil seconded by S. Witkowski to adopt the Resolution to satisfy the requirements of the Homeland Security Grant Program as presented carried unanimously.**
- VIII. HVAC Grant – Resolution: this is similar to last year's Grant application, but the Resolution currently details the three schools separately. Bill Birch, Facilities Manager, is present and participated in the IAQ (Indoor Air Quality) Grant discussion. A. St Onge read the Grant application aloud.  
**Motion A. St Onge seconded by K. Beausoleil to adopt the HVAC Indoor Air Quality Grant Resolution as read carried unanimously, noting the entire document is attached as an Addendum on page 4.**

- IX. Recreation Request:  
**Motion K. Beausoleil seconded by S. Witkowski to approve the Partial Road Closure of Main Street for the Winter Market/Bonfire on Friday, December 8, 2023 (with Saturday, Dec. 9 as a back-up poor-weather day); the closure extending from School Street to Carriage Square carried unanimously.**
- X. Meeting Schedule: **Motion S. Witkowski seconded by K. Beausoleil to approve the 2024 BOS Meeting Schedule as presented carried unanimously.**
- XI. Appointments:  
**Motion S. Witkowski seconded by K. Beausoleil to approve the appointment of Doug Farrow as Constable through November 18, 2025 as well as of Christopher Dustin to the Inland Wetlands Commission through March 15, 2028, pending confirmation of there being no conflicts with political party balance on the Commission, carried unanimously.**
- XII. Re-appointments:
- A. **Motion A. St Onge seconded by S. Witkowski to re-appoint William Steglitz the town Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer through November 18, 2025 carried unanimously.**
- B. **Motion A. St Onge seconded by K. Beausoleil to re-appointment the following citizens to the Building Committee through November 17, 2026 carried unanimously:**
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| <b>John Rice</b>         | <b>Brian Santos</b>     |
| <b>David Poplawski</b>   | <b>Thomas Angelo</b>    |
| <b>William Witkowski</b> | <b>Dean Kwasniewski</b> |
| <b>Frank Langlois</b>    |                         |
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- C. **Motion A. St Onge seconded by K. Beausoleil to approve the re-appointment of A. Richard Trudeau and Amy St. Onge to the Charter Communications N.E. Advisory Council through November 18, 2025 carried unanimously.**
- D. **Motion A. St Onge seconded by S. Witkowski to re-appointment the following citizens as Constables carried unanimously:**
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| <b>Norman M. Baker</b>          | <b>Dennis A. Tackson</b>      |
| <b>Donald A. Brown</b>          | <b>Alan Pratt</b>             |
| <b>Christopher A. Walch</b>     | <b>James A. Niedzialkoski</b> |
| <b>George Henry Mooney, Jr.</b> | <b>Mathew Whipple</b>         |
- E. **Motion A. St Onge seconded by S. Witkowski to re-appoint Tyra Penn-Gesek to the Eastern Regional Tourism Board/Mystic Country through November 18, 2025 carried unanimously.**

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F. Motion A. St Onge seconded by S. Witkowski to re-appoint, through November 18, 2025, the following citizens to the respective Fire Police Commissions, as recommended by each fire unit, carried unanimously:

**1. Community Fire:**

Kevin Freeland  
Peter Faucher  
Allen Gauthier  
Frank Heath

Rocco Navarro  
Wendy Pieper  
Donald Gillon  
John Rice  
A. Richard Trudeau

**2. East Thompson Fire**

Logan Miller  
Robert Emmons, Jr.

Jennie Raymond  
Luke Asselin  
Mary A. Eames

**3. Thompson Hill Fire:**

~~Hogan~~ Holgar Krohn  
Paul Feige  
Dale Fifield

Randy Fifield  
Mathew J. Grauer

**4. West Thompson Fire:**

Alan Pratt

Mathew Whipple

G. Motion A. St Onge seconded by S. Witkowski to re-appoint Amy St. Onge to the Northeast CT Council of Governments through November 18, 2025 carried unanimously.

H. Motion A. St Onge seconded by S. Witkowski to re-appoint Amy St. Onge to the Northeast CT Transit District through November 18, 2025 carried unanimously.

I. Motion A. St Onge seconded by K. Beausoleil to re-appointment the following citizens to the Transfer Station Advisory Committee through November 18, 2025 carried unanimously:

Karen Durlach  
Linda Carli  
Paul Horanzy  
David Ostrowski

Lynn Landry  
Steven Houghton  
Al Landry

**XII. Other Business:**

**Motion A. St Onge seconded by K. Beausoleil to appoint Frederick E. Cote to the Quinebaug Fire Police Commission through November 18, 2025 carried unanimously.**

**XIII. Citizen Comments:**

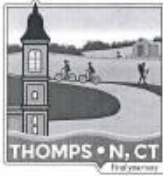
-Valerie Clark, Alm Road, asked for verification of the first name of Mr. Hogan Krohn, tonight re-appointed to the Thompson Hill Fire Department. **It was confirmed to be Holgar Krohn.**  
- Sally White, E Thompson Road, asked about the place of residence of Constable Doug Farrow (Quinebaug) and of IWC member Christopher Dustin (West Thompson Road)

**XIV. Tax Refunds:**

**Motion A. St Onge seconded by S. Witkowski to approve the tax refunds as presented to Toyota Lease Trust for a total of \$ 717.71 carried unanimously.**

**Motion A. St Onge seconded by K. Beausoleil to adjourn at 7:30 PM carried unanimously.**

## HVAC RESOLUTION FOR GRANT APPLICATION



HVAC Resolution


IN WITNESS WHEREOF: The undersigned has executed this certificate this 21<sup>st</sup> day of November 2023.

  
Amy St. Onge

  
Susanne Witkowski

  
Kenneth L. Beausoleil

#### ITS BOARD OF SELECTMEN

  
Renee Waldron, Town Clerk

(Seal)

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Respectfully submitted by Dorothy Durst, Recording Secretary *Dorothy Durst*

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