

TOWN OF BROOKLYN

P.O. Box 356 - Route 6 and 169 **BROOKLYN, CONNECTICUT 06234**

Board of Finance **Special Meeting Minutes** Wednesday, September 21, 2016 **Immediately Following the Regular Meeting** Clifford B. Green Memorial Center

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Present: Jeff Otto, Ken Dykstra, Sandra Brodeur, Drew Dionne, Kim Conroy and Melissa Bradley; **Recording Secretary**

- 1. Call to Order: Mr. Otto called the meeting to order at 8:25pm.
- 2. Consideration of the manner in which the election to fill the vacancy on the Board of Finance will be conducted: The board agrees to hold a yes/no vote by voice/show of hands.
- 3. Filling the vacancy on the Board of Finance until the next Town Election: The Democratic Town Committee recommends Heather Allen; unaffiliated party. Mr. Ives reads a letter from Ms. Allen into the record. (Attached) Mr. Otto states the Republican Town Committee also recommends Austin Tanner. Historically, the party to leave is the committee who puts up a new member. In this case, it would be the Democratic Town Committee.

Drew Dionne nominated Heather Allen for the vacancy on the Board of Finance, vacated by Gene Michael Deary. Sandra Brodeur seconded the nomination.

No other nominations were made.

Vote unanimous in favor of Heather Allen. 5-0.

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4. Adjournment: Drew Dionne made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Sandra Brodeur seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 8:33pm.

Respectfully Submitted;

Melissa J. Bradle **Recording Secretary** Good morning Rick,

Per your request, below is some information about my background, schooling, etc.

I was born and raised in northern Illinois and have 2 older brothers. I currently reside in Brooklyn with my husband and 7 month old daughter. We grow and harvest our own hay for our 3 horses on the family farm.

I am currently a Mortgage Originator for Farm Credit East with our Country Living department. I have been with Farm Credit for over 10 years. Prior to Farm Credit, I was a FT student at Cornell University where I also played varsity volleyball. I graduated from Cornell Cum Laude in 2006 with a BS in Animal Science and a minor is Agri-Business Management.

For the first 4 years of my career with Farm Credit, I was a commercial loan officer. I approved and originated loans while maintaining a commecial portfolio. An opportunity came in 2010 and I transitioned to our consumer department called Country Living. I have been originating through Country Living for the past 6+ years. I currently originate for 3 offices of which covers 4 states. In my 6 years with Country Living, I have originated well over \$123MM and continue to expand on my other duties at Farm Credit.

When I am not in the office, I am a member of several ag and finance related groups. I am also on the steering committee for Celebrating Agriculture, a family event geared towards ag education that is held annually in September. I have been a guest speaker at several events including Women in Ag in Ri and the RI Raised Livestock annual meeting.

Please let me know if this is enough information. I was going to attach my resume, but most of the information is above. Thank you!

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