

**Board of Selectmen  
Special Meeting  
May 21, 2008  
5:30 PM  
Court Room**

**1. Call to order**

Meeting brought to order by Catherine A. Osten First Selectman. Present was Selectman Edward Meadows. Also present: Craig Stevenson Chairman Connected to Conn. LLC, Joan Talley, Penny Newbury, Linda Puetz, Tom Williams, Stan Walczyk, and Gerry Meadow.

**2. CT Rural Development Council discussion with Selectmen in order to re-introduce the RDC, review goals and objectives, and begin the planning process as outlined in the grant award of 2007.**

The purpose of this meeting was to understand the goals of the Town. Craig Stevenson from the CT Rural Development Council spoke with the Board conducting community assessments and asking how the town wants to go forward and what would be most beneficial for Sprague. C. Osten expanded goals:

- Water & Sewer infrastructure
- Looking at private/public system with Cascade mill.
- Dam Repair- fund dam through Federal Government, DECD, USDA
- Reopen Reservoir/back on line
- Mukluk property
- Mill building redevelopment
- Amgraph Packaging - addition 33,000 sq ft manufacturing into existing plant.
- \$5,000 SEDC looking into possible development on Inland Road.
- Baltic mill site – \$200,000 Brownfield Grant (asbestos and lead abatement)
- \$35,000 received from USDA rural business opportunity feasibility grant.
- River Park –grants to restore headrace and museum to attract people to the river; enhances history of the town and village area. Install stairs to River Park.
- \$500,000 1<sup>st</sup> part of sidewalk project, granite curbs and grading homeowners property Main Street Baltic, separate DEP grant for shade trees
- Phase II sidewalk project-West Main St. and Park Drive.
- Roads infrastructure - \$400,000 for 2008/2009 upgrades.
- Pautipaug Hill drainage
- Skateboard park- donation with \$27,000
- Stevenson – suggested conducting quarterly organized community meetings with Boards and Commissions to draw out priorities. C. Osten currently meets quarterly with the Town's Boards and Commission.
- July 15<sup>th</sup> quarterly meeting at 5:00 PM

**3. Adjournment**

- Motion made by C. Osten, seconded by E. Meadows to adjourn meeting at 6:30PM. Unanimously voted.

Respectfully submitted by

Catherine A. Osten, First Selectman