

BOARD OF SELECTMEN
TOWN HALL CONFERENCE ROOM
MAY 11, 2016
MINUTES

Present: First Selectman Bruce Farmer; Selectmen, Carol Walter, John Giannotti, Lynn Pinder and William Fritz

Everyone stood and pledged allegiance to the flag. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM.

VISITORS

Ona Nejdil endorsed the proposals from the GIS Task Force Committee.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – APRIL 06, 2016 and APRIL 27, 2016

Walter made a motion, seconded by Fritz to approve the minutes from April 6, 2016. The minutes were unanimously approved with abstentions from Pinder and Giannotti. Giannotti made a motion, seconded by Pinder to approve the minutes from April 27, 2016. The motion was unanimously approved with abstentions from Fritz and Walter.

RESIGNATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

Walter made a motion, seconded by Fritz to appoint Todd Pozefsky (R) to the Board of Education for a term until November 2017. The question was raised if it was a conflict of interest for Todd Pozefsky to hold a paid position as the Town Treasurer and be a member of the Board of Education. After consulting with the town attorney he found nothing that makes those offices incompatible. The motion was unanimously approved.

SELECTMEN'S SCHOLARSHIP

Each year the staff at The Morgan School selects one male and one female of the graduating class who has been a good citizen in the school, the community and has showed student involvement while at Morgan. This year The Morgan School award recipients are Andrew Tessman and Darcy LaFrance. Each student received a \$250.00 check from the town.

ENERGY COMMITTEE – ZERO EMISSION RENEWABLE ENERGY CERTIFICATE APPLICATION

Warren Hartmann from the Ross Solar Group and Paul Gebauer from the Energy Committee were on hand to discuss the Zero Emission Renewable Energy Certificate application to Eversource. The awards are first-come, first-serve and processed chronologically by Eversource. The Ross Solar Group will look at all town buildings and run solar estimates for the board to review. There is no commitment from the town to solar or to Ross Solar Group in submitting these applications. Their goal is provide solar to the town for no up front cost and provide immediate savings for any and all town buildings deemed suitable for solar. The only cost would be \$100 - \$300 to secure the application once approved. Fritz made a motion, seconded by Giannotti to approve going forward with the Zero Emission Renewable Energy Certificate Application. The motion was unanimously approved.

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GIS UPDATE

Chuck Venter and members of the GIS Task Force provided a GIS update to the board. The committee found that the biggest problem is the Assessor's data is not accurate and up to date. The 2016/17 capital budget has \$50,000 for GIS implementation. The cost for implementation is \$50,000 with an annual re-occurring cost of \$15,000 per year.

TOWN DOCK CONCESSIONAIRE CONTRACT

The board discussed renewing the concessionaire contract with Robert Voss to operate a food service business at the Town Docks. Pinder recommended increasing the general aggregate coverage from \$500,000 to \$1,000,000. Fritz made a motion, seconded by Walter to approve the contract as amended. The motion was unanimously approved.

SELECTMEN'S REPORTS

Reported by Fritz

- New Morgan School – June 20th they can start moving in. The committee is meeting next Wednesday night to approve the FF&E and Technology bids.

Reported by Pinder

- LOSAP – Pinder is working with Attorney Bennet on the basic layout for an ordinance. Pinder is hoping to have a draft version of the ordinance by next week.
- Channel 3 did a live broadcast behind the Town Hall. The Fire Department was awarded a \$1,000 check and a \$500 PC Richard gift card.

Reported by Giannotti

- Municipal Building Committee reviewed the Five-Bay Metal Storage Bids for Public Works. The bids were higher than anticipated. The department is looking at taking control of the north end police station since the police department no longer has use for the building. This will allow for extra storage and a smaller building at Public Works. The contract has been signed with Rudolph Netsch Construction for the maintenance building.
- Bulkhead should be going out to bid within the month

Reported by Walter

- Walter attended Monday night's Police Commission meeting. A letter from Attorney Bennet regarding proper hiring procedures was read into the minutes.
- Fire Truck Committee is reviewing the bids that came back last week. The committee is exploring options on how to make it work.
- WPCC – the commission received a letter from DEEP approving the Rocky Ledge plan.

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Reported by Farmer

- The Town of Haddam has officially joined the CT River Area Health District. Clinton's share would decrease by \$18,380.
- DEEP has awarded the Fire Department the 2015 Dry Hydrant Installation Grant.
- A meeting was held this week with the Chamber of Commerce to review the Clinton Summerfest & Fireworks.

ADJOURN

Fritz made a motion, seconded by Pinder and unanimously adjourned the meeting at 7:45 PM.
Respectfully submitted,

Mary Schettino
Administrative Assistant