

BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
TOWN HALL CONFERENCE ROOM  
MARCH 08, 2017  
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Present: First Selectman Bruce Farmer; Selectmen, Carol Walter, Lynn Pinder, John Giannotti and William W. Fritz, Jr.

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

**VISITORS**

No one wished to speak at this time.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES – FEBRUARY 22, 2017**

Fritz made a motion, seconded by Giannotti and unanimously approved the minutes from February 22, 2017.

**RESIGNATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS**

There were no new resignations and appointments at this time.

**AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION – APPROPRIATION AND BOND AUTHORIZATION OF \$11,935,000 FOR VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS**

P. Neff reviewed the projects and estimates with the board. A complete list of projects and costs will be included in with the minutes. The Bonding Committee recommended putting everything together as one question. The bonding schedule will be as follows.

Board of Finance	March 20 <sup>th</sup>
Public Information Meeting	April 4 <sup>th</sup> at 6pm in the Green Room
Town Meeting to adjourn to referendum	April 5 <sup>th</sup> at 6pm in the Green Room
Bonding Referendum	April 19 <sup>th</sup>

Fritz made a motion, seconded by Giannotti and unanimously approved an appropriation and bonding authorization of \$11,935,000 for various capital improvement projects.

**Re: Appropriation and Bond Authorization of \$11,935,000 for Various Capital Improvement Projects**

**RESOLVED**, (i) that the sum of \$11,935,000 be appropriated for the cost of various capital improvement projects including the (a) planning, design, construction, reconstruction and repair of various bridges (b) planning, design and construction of the Rocky Ledge Area Water Main Project (c) the repair of ramp and dredging of the Town Dock (d) roofing projects at various schools (e) the construction and reconstruction of sidewalks and (f) repair and/or construction of the Department of Public Works Fuel Farm all in the Town of Clinton (the "Town") including, all surveys, alterations, repairs and improvements in connection therewith and engineering, architectural and temporary and permanent financing costs related thereto (the "Project") and to meet said appropriation and in lieu of a tax therefor, bonds of the Town (the "Bonds") be issued or obligations entered with the State of Connecticut (the "State") under its Clean Water Revolving Fund Program (the "Project Loan

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Obligations”) pursuant to Chapter 109 of the Connecticut General Statutes, as amended, the Town Charter (the “Charter”) or any other provision of law thereto enabling in the amount of \$11,935,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary after deducting grants or other sources of funds available therefor; and

(ii) that the First Selectman, or a majority of the Board of Selectmen, and the Treasurer, be authorized to issue and sell temporary notes (the “Notes”) of the Town or enter into interim funding obligations to the State (the “Interim Funding Obligations”) in an amount not to exceed \$11,935,000 in anticipation of the receipt of the proceeds from the sale of such Bonds or Project Loan Obligations, as the case may be, and to determine the amount, date, date of maturity, interest rate, form and other details of such Notes, Bonds, Project Loan Obligations or Interim Funding Obligations pursuant to Chapter 109 of the Connecticut General Statutes, as amended, the Charter or any other provision of law thereto enabling, provided that the proceeds from the sale of such Notes or Interim Funding Obligations shall be used for said purpose; and

(iii) that the First Selectman, or a majority of the Board of Selectmen, and the Treasurer shall sign the Bonds, Project Loan Obligations, Notes or Interim Funding Obligations by either manual or facsimile signatures and that the law firm of Pullman & Comley LLC is designated as bond counsel to approve the legality of the Bonds, Project Loan Obligations, Notes or Interim Funding Obligations; and

(iv) that the First Selectman is authorized to designate a bank or trust company to be the certifying bank, registrar, transfer agent and paying agent of the Bonds, Project Loan Obligations, Notes or Interim Funding Obligations; sell the Bonds, Project Loan Obligations, Notes or Interim Funding Obligations; at public or private sale; deliver the Bonds, Project Loan Obligations, Notes or Interim Funding Obligations; and perform all other acts which are necessary or appropriate to issue the Bonds, Project Loan Obligations, Notes or Interim Funding Obligations. If the Bonds, Project Loan Obligations, Notes or Interim Funding Obligations authorized by this resolution are issued on a tax-exempt basis, the First Selectman, or a majority of the Board of Selectmen, and the Treasurer are authorized to bind the Town pursuant to such representations and covenants as they deem necessary or advisable in order to maintain the continued exemption from federal income taxation of interest on the Bonds, Project Loan Obligations, Notes or Interim Funding Obligations, including covenants to pay rebates of investment earnings to the United States in future years.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board of Selectmen hereby recommends to the Board of Finance and to all persons qualified to vote in town meetings of the Town that it approve the appropriation and bond authorization of \$11,935,000 for the Project.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Town reasonably expects to incur expenditures (the “Expenditures”) in connection with the capital projects for which general functional descriptions are provided above. The Town reasonably expects to reimburse itself for the costs of the Expenditures with the proceeds of General Obligation Bonds, Project Loan Obligations, Notes and Interim Funding Obligations of the Town described above. The maximum principal amount of such debt (Bonds, Project Loan Obligations, Notes and Interim Funding Obligations) is not expected to exceed \$11,935,000. This

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declaration of official intent is a declaration of official intent made pursuant to Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-2.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that should the Board of Finance approve the appropriation recommended above for the Project, a Special Town Meeting is hereby called to be held on April 5, 2017 at 6:00, p.m. at the Andrew's Memorial Town Hall Auditorium, 54 East Main Street, Clinton, CT (the "Town Meeting"), to consider the resolution recommended and approved by the Board of Selectmen at its meeting held on March 8, 2017, and the Board of Finance at its meeting to be held on March 20, 2017 to appropriate \$11,935,000 and authorize Bonds, Project Loan Obligations, Notes and Interim Funding Obligations to fund such appropriation for the Project.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board of Selectmen, pursuant to Section 7-7 of the Connecticut General Statutes, as amended, and the Charter of the Town hereby removes the item described above on the call of the Town Meeting to be held on April 5, 2017 for submission to the voters for vote by voting machine on April 19, 2017 by the voters entitled to vote at the Town Meeting during the hours from 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. such referendum to be held at the Andrew's Memorial Town Hall, Green Room, 54 East Main Street, Clinton, CT under the following heading:

Shall the Town of Clinton appropriate \$11,935,000 for the cost of the (a) planning, design, construction, reconstruction and repair of various bridges (b) planning, design and construction of the Rocky Ledge Area Water Main Project (c) the repair of the ramp and dredging of the Town Dock (d) roofing projects at various schools (e) construction, reconstruction of sidewalks and (f) repair and/or construction of the Department of Public Works Fuel Farm all in the Town of Clinton including, all surveys, alterations, repairs and improvements in connection therewith and engineering, architectural and temporary and permanent financing costs related thereto, and authorize the issuance of bonds and notes in the amount of \$11,935,000 to finance such appropriation.

The moderator of the Town Meeting shall adjourn such meeting after reasonable discussion of such item and conclusion of such other business as may properly come before the Town Meeting and order such vote by voting machine in accordance with this resolution, Section 7-7 of the Connecticut General Statutes and the Charter.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board of Selectmen authorizes the Town Clerk, subject to the approval of a municipal attorney, to prepare and print a concise explanatory text concerning the question to be submitted to the voters at referendum on April 19, 2017 specifying the intent and purpose of the Project in accordance with Section 9-369b of the Connecticut General Statutes.

**FINALIZE 2017/2018 BOARD OF EDUCATION BUDGET**

Fritz made a motion, seconded by Pinder and unanimously approved a total Board of Education operating budget of \$32,757,815 which represents an increase of \$1,189,051 or 3.77 percent.

Walter made a motion, seconded by Fritz and unanimously approved to add agenda item #6A Police Department K-9 Program. The motion was unanimously approved.

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**POLICE DEPARTMENT K-9 PROGRAM**

The board discussed the Police Department K-9 Program.

**SELECTMEN'S REPORTS**

Reported by Fritz

- Park and Recreation is hosting a fundraiser basketball game this Friday night to benefit the local Food Pantry.

Reported by Walter

- UCONN will be interviewing residents this Sunday at the HCH Library on Coastal Resilience.

Reported by Farmer

- Farmer and O'Donnell have both submitted testimony to the governor regarding his proposed budget cuts. The majority of towns are still going ahead with the regular budget process.

**ADJOURN**

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

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Schettino