

Clinton Board of Selectmen  
Minutes  
April 20, 2011

Present: First Selectman William Fritz, Jr., and Selectmen Dolly Mezzetti, Thomas Vicino, Ray Apel and Carol Walter.

The meeting was called to order at 8 AM.

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Everyone stood and pledged allegiance to the United States flag.

### **MOMENT OF SILENCE**

A moment of silence was observed in memory of Dan Vece Jr., former First Selectman, Fire Chief and Iwo Jima survivor.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES – APRIL 13, 2011**

Mezzetti made a motion, seconded by Vicino, to approve the minutes of the April 13, 2011 meeting. Walter said she would like the minutes to be amended to read “she has zero confidence in Bill Aniskovich *and the WBA Group to bring the project in on time and on budget*”. .” Mezzetti withdrew her first motion and made a motion to accept the minutes of April 6, 2011 as amended. Vicino seconded the motion which was approved, the vote being Mezzetti, Vicino, Walter, Fritz voting in favor and Apel abstaining.

### **RESIGNATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS**

None.

### **POLICE DEPARTMENT – MARINE PATROL APPROPRIATION**

Chief Lawrie explained that all funding for the marine patrol had been cut from this year’s budget. In order to get the police boat in the water there are a number of items to be addressed. Also, the department is trying to get more officers trained for the marine patrol. Retired corporal Jack Eagan’s certification will expire June 30, 2011 and he will be training the officers. Mezzetti made a motion, seconded by Apel, to approve the request for \$10,495. The motion was unanimously approved. This request had been approved by the Board of Finance at their meeting of April 18, 2011.

### **SELECTMEN’S REPORTS**

Apel inquired about the status of the plantings at the town marina. Fritz replied that Don Andrukaitis from Grove Gardens has met with him. They are all set to go but the weather has been a deterrent.

Vicino reported that he had attended the DOT public hearing concerning the railroad station extension to be built on the north side of the railroad tracks. The design of the station does not fit in well with the surrounding area and the Guilford station design would be preferred. Fritz commented that the design will remain the same and that the town tried to change the design years ago unsuccessfully.

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Walter was surprised that Bill Aniskovitch did ten pages of plans for free. She thinks it is a lot of money and wishes it had gone out to bed. She thinks it should have been put at Peters Complex rather than IRRC. Peter Neff, Director of Public Works, explained that consultants often put plans and budgets together at no cost. Neff explained that there are not enough fields to support the sports we have. This turf field will allow other fields to be refurbished. Walter stated she has problems with the way it was handled and that everything needs to come in on time and within budget without change orders for more.

Mezzetti reported that the Policies & Procedures Committee met last night and is submitting the final draft to the First Selectman. She will attend a Fire Truck Committee tonight.

Fritz reminded everyone about the meeting at the Morgan School with tours on April 26<sup>th</sup>.

Fritz reviewed the plans for the funeral and calling hours for Dan Vece, Jr. The town hall has been offered to the family for the calling hours if they would like as many people are expected to attend.

The WSAM Committee met last week. The brick work is being repointed and then the brick exterior will be sealed.

Fritz reminded everyone about the Town Budget Meeting on May 4<sup>th</sup> and the budget referendum on May 11<sup>th</sup>.

#### **ADJOURN**

Mezzetti made a motion, seconded by Vicino, and unanimously approved to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 8:36 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Margery Pudem, Recording Secretary