

BOARD OF SELECTMEN
TOWN HALL ROSE ROOM
JULY 10, 2019
MINUTES

Present: First Selectman Christine Goupil, Selectmen Jack Scherban, Tim Guerra, Carol Walter and Phillip Sengle

Everyone stood for the pledge of allegiance. The meeting was called to order at 8:00 AM.

VISITORS

Ona Nejdl spoke on the bridge repairs behind the Morgan School.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – JUNE 26, 2019

Walter made a motion, seconded by Guerra to approve the minutes from June 26, 2019. The motion was unanimously approved with one abstention from Scherban.

RESIGNATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

Scherban made a motion, seconded by Guerra to add agenda item 3A- RSM Agreement. The motion was unanimously approved.

RSM AGREEMENT

RSM has been hired by the town to perform an audit for the year ending June 30, 2019. The board reviewed the RSM Business Association Agreement and Arrangement Letters. Water made a motion, seconded by Scherban to approve both agreements and authorize the First Selectmen to sign them. The motion was unanimously approved.

ERICA FALANGA, ASSISTANT FINANCE DIRECTOR

Scherban made a motion, seconded by Guerra to hire Erica Falanga as the Assistant Finance Director for the Town of Clinton. The motion was unanimously approved.

APPROPRIATION REQUEST FOR THE INDIAN RIVER RECOVERY WORK NEAR THE MORGAN SCHOOL BRIDGE RELATED TO THE FLASH FLOODS FROM SEPTEMBER 2018

Natural Resources Conservation Service, NRCS, originally determined that this project would be covered by them but due to storms in the Midwest and understaffing they can no longer manage the project. The proposed recovery measure would be to reshape and stabilize the streambanks downstream of the bridge, cut back slopes at 3:1 near the raingarden, install riprap on stabilized streambanks and a downstream channel cleanout. The total project cost is estimated at \$995,000. The town will have to contribute 25 percent in in-kind services which represents a cost of \$248,750. Sue Cunningham, Finance Director, provided a fund update to the board. If the town doesn't commit now, then the contribution from NRCS will be redistributed to another project. Guerra made a motion, seconded by Scherban to appropriate \$248,750 which represents 25 percent of the cost and NRCS providing 75 percent of the cost for the design and installation of EWP measures as detailed in the individual Damage Survey Report (DSR) and allow the First Selectman to enter in any agreements with NRCS. The motion was approved with a vote of 3 in favor (Guerra, Sengle and Scherban) and 1 opposed (Walter).

YEAR END LINE ITEM TRANSFERS

Walter made a motion, seconded by Scherban to approve the following line item transfers totaling \$393,906 as presented by the Finance Director and send to the Board of Finance and Town meeting. The motion was unanimously approved.

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FINANCE			Transfer To	Transfer From	Contingency
014119	51310	SALARIES-FULL TIME	47,870.00		
014197	58086	CONTINGENCY		38,163.00	38,163.00
014119	51311	ELECTED OFFICIALS SALARY		500.00	
014119	54304	IT/TECHNOLOGY MAINTENANC		9,207.00	
TAX COLLECTOR			Transfer To	Transfer From	
014135	51310	SALARIES-FULL TIME	25,051.00		
014197	58086	CONTINGENCY		18,028.00	18,028.00
014135	51320	SALARIES - PART TIME		967.00	
014135	53400	OTHER PROF SERVICES		2,500.00	
014135	55301	POSTAGE		2,099.00	
014135	56100	GENERAL SUPPLIES		681.00	
014135	56290	OTHER		469.00	
014135	58100	DUES & FEES		307.00	
PLANNING & ZONING COMM			Transfer To	Transfer From	
014153	53010	LEGAL SERVICES	28,282.00		
014153	51310	SALARIES-FULL TIME		28,282.00	
014153	53400	OTHER PROF SERVICES	33,102.00		
014153	51310	SALARIES-FULL TIME		33,102.00	
POLICE			Transfer To	Transfer From	
014201	51310	SALARIES-FULL TIME	46,354.00		
015100	52200	EMPLOYER SOC SEC (Fringe Benefits)		31,331.00	
014201	51320	SALARIES - PART TIME		106.00	
014201	54311	VEHICLE MAINTENANCE		386.00	
014201	56100	GENERAL SUPPLIES		208.00	
014201	56210	DIESEL - GASOLINE FUEL		634.00	
014201	56900	OTHER SUPPLIES		119.00	
014201	51335	HOLIDAY PAY		13,570.00	
014201	51330	OVERTIME	36,649.00		
015100	52300	STATE RETIRE CONTRIB (Fringe Benefits)		11,931.00	
014215	51330	OVERTIME (Animal Control)		1,372.00	
014215	53200	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES (Animal Control)		906.00	
014215	53225	TRAINING (Animal Control)		1,825.00	
014215	56100	GENERAL SUPPLIES (Animal Control)		430.00	
014215	58900	OTHER ITEMS (Animal Control)		1,132.00	
014215	51310	SALARIES-FULL TIME (Animal Control)		19,053.00	

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COMMUNICATIONS			Transfer To	Transfer From
014221	51330	OVERTIME	36,722.00	
014221	51335	HOLIDAY PAY		11,592.00
015100	52700	WORKERS' COMPEN (Fringe Benefits)		25,130.00
PUBLIC WORKS			Transfer To	Transfer From
014301	53300	OTHER PROF/TECH SERVICES	43,930.00	
014301	51320	SALARIES - PART TIME		850.00
014301	51330	OVERTIME		6,248.00
014301	51332	OVERTIME FIELDS		1,321.00
014301	51334	OVERTIME SNOW/ICE		10,308.00
014301	54103	SNOW PLOWING/SANDING		3,167.00
014301	54300	REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE		5,777.00
014301	54306	TOWN BLDG & FACILITIES		6,879.00
014301	54318	EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE AL		350.00
014301	54900	LANDFILL COST		721.00
014301	56210	DIESEL - GASOLINE FUEL		4,971.00
014301	56906	SAFETY MANAGEMENT		420.00
014301	57390	OTHER EQUIPMENT		441.00
014143	54304	IT/TECHNOLOGY MAINTENANC		2,477.00
STREET LIGHTING			Transfer To	Transfer From
014311	56275	STREET LIGHTING	74,712.00	
015100	52810	HEALTH INSURANCE (Fringe Benefits)		74,712.00
TOWN DEBT PRINCIPAL			Transfer To	Transfer From
014802	58350	PD VEHICLE LEASES	21,234.00	
014802	58345	HEAVY EQUIPMENT LEASE		21,234.00
Total Transfers			393,906.00	393,906.00
				56,191.00

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Walter made a motion, seconded by Scherban to approve the following line item transfers totaling \$133,914 as presented by the Finance Director. The motion was unanimously approved.

FINANCE			Transfer To	Transfer From	Contingency
014119	53300	OTHER PROF/TECH SERVICES	5,795.00		
014119	54304	IT/TECHNOLOGY MAINTENANC		5,795.00	
014119	54304	IT/TECHNOLOGY MAINTENANC	20.00		
014119	55301	POSTAGE		20.00	
ASSESSOR			Transfer To	Transfer From	
014131	51310	SALARIES-FULL TIME	2,239.00		
014131	53220	IN SERVICE		1,490.00	
14131	56100	GENERAL SUPPLIES		110.00	
014131	54304	IT/TECHNOLOGY MAINTENANC		639.00	
014131	53400	OTHER PROF SERVICES	1,148.00		
014131	54304	IT/TECHNOLOGY MAINTENANC		1,148.00	
TOWN CLERK			Transfer To	Transfer From	
014147	51310	SALARIES-FULL TIME	970.00		
014147	51320	SALARIES - PART TIME		970.00	
014147	56100	GENERAL SUPPLIES	281.00		
014147	57350	TECHNOLOGY SOFTWARE		281.00	
HARBOR COMMISSION			Transfer To	Transfer From	
014165	51320	SALARIES - PART TIME	3,662.00		
014165	51310	SALARIES-FULL TIME		3,662.00	
014165	56100	GENERAL SUPPLIES	250.00		
014165	51310	SALARIES-FULL TIME		250.00	
WATER POLLUTION CONTROL			Transfer To	Transfer From	
014191	54902	WELL MONITORING	83.00		
014191	54910	STATE WATER TESTING		83.00	

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WASM MAINTENANCE			Transfer To	Transfer From
014193	51320	SALARIES - PART TIME	697.00	
014193	51310	SALARIES-FULL TIME		697.00
ELECTIONS & MEETINGS			Transfer To	Transfer From
014195	51620	PART TIME WAGES	1,235.00	
014195	58100	DUES & FEES		1,235.00
014195	58110	MISC EXPENDITURES	289.00	
014195	56100	GENERAL SUPPLIES		289.00
GENERAL GOVERNMENT ADMIN			Transfer To	Transfer From
014197	58088	HAZARDOUS WASTE SITE	2,103.00	
014197	58086	CONTINGENCY		2,103.00
				2,103.00
014197	58092	REGIONAL MENTAL HEALTH	776.00	
014197	58086	CONTINGENCY		776.00
				776.00
014197	58095	SENIOR ACTIVITIES	724.00	
014197	58086	CONTINGENCY		724.00
				724.00
014197	58097	ESTUARY TRANSIT	1,040.00	
014197	58086	CONTINGENCY		1,040.00
				1,040.00
014197	58807	TREE WARDEN	53.00	
014197	58802	TREE COMMITTEE		53.00

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GENERAL GOVERNMENT OTHER			Transfer To	Transfer From
014199	52900	TRAVEL EXPENSE	353.00	
014199	53401	UNION NEGOTIATOR		353.00
014199	53010	LEGAL SERVICES	10,880.00	
014199	53401	UNION NEGOTIATOR		10,880.00
014199	53310	AUDIT/ACCOUTING SERVICES	10,402.00	
014199	53401	UNION NEGOTIATOR		10,402.00
014199	55200	INSUR OTHER THAN EE BENE	2,479.00	
014199	52600	UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATIO		2,479.00
014199	58105	BANK FEES	17,734.00	
014199	53401	UNION NEGOTIATOR		17,734.00
014201	51333	LONGEVITY	2,394.00	
014201	51335	HOLIDAY PAY		2,394.00
014201	51335	HOLIDAY PAY		
014201	51340	OTHER EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	530.00	
014201	51335	HOLIDAY PAY		530.00
014201	53225	TRAINING	130.00	
014201	51335	HOLIDAY PAY		130.00
BUILDING DEPARTMENT			Transfer To	Transfer From
014213	51310	SALARIES-FULL TIME	6,247.00	
014197	58086	CONTINGENCY		3,100.00
014213	53300	OTHER PROF/TECH SERVICES		367.00
014213	53303	INSPECTION COVERAGE		1,620.00
014213	56100	GENERAL SUPPLIES		328.00
014213	56290	OTHER		500.00
014213	57390	OTHER EQUIPMENT		137.00
014213	58100	DUES & FEES		195.00
ANIMAL CONTROL			Transfer To	Transfer From
014215	51320	SALARIES - PART TIME	2,126.00	
014215	51310	SALARIES-FULL TIME		2,126.00
014215	56903	UNIFORMS	32.00	
014215	58900	OTHER ITEMS		32.00

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014221	51310	SALARIES-FULL TIME	1,158.00	
014221	51335	HOLIDAY PAY		1,158.00
014221	51320	SALARIES - PART TIME	4,273.00	
014221	51335	HOLIDAY PAY		4,273.00
PUBLIC WORKS			Transfer To	Transfer From
014301	51310	SALARIES-FULL TIME	4,195.00	
014301	51330	OVERTIME		4,195.00
YOUTH & FAMILY			Transfer To	Transfer From
014419	51310	SALARIES-FULL TIME	2,018.00	
014419	51320	SALARIES - PART TIME		2,018.00
PARKS & RECREATION			Transfer To	Transfer From
014505	51310	SALARIES-FULL TIME	14,412.00	
014505	51320	SALARIES - PART TIME		14,412.00
ECON DEVELOPMENT			Transfer To	Transfer From
014603	58100	DUES & FEES	500.00	
014603	55400	ADVERTISING		500.00

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FRINGE BENEFITS			Transfer To	Transfer From
015100	52325	PENSION POLICE	12,847.00	
015100	52300	STATE RETIRE CONTRIBUTIO		12,847.00
015100	52830	PENSION PLAN - FIRE DEPT	16,652.00	
015100	52300	STATE RETIRE CONTRIBUTIO		16,652.00
CAPITAL			Transfer To	Transfer From
604301	59035	DPW DIESEL FARM ENG FY17	3.00	
604301	59303	TOWN INFRASTRUCTURE FY19		3.00
604301	59113	DPW TOWN INFRAST FY18	75.00	
604301	59303	TOWN INFRASTRUCTURE FY19		75.00
HEART & HYPERTENTION			Transfer To	Transfer From
754201	59100	HEART & HYPERTENTION	1,590.00	
015100	52810	HEALTH INSURANCE (Fringe Benefits)		1,590.00
POLICE				
014201	53225	Police Department Training	1,519.00	
015100	52300	State Retirement Contribution (Fringe Benefits)		1,519.00
Total Transfers			133,914.00	133,914.00
				7,743.00

TOWN MANAGER

Doug Thomas with SGR will be holding public meetings and interviewing department heads this week. The Search Committee met with Doug Thomas last night before the first public meeting.

SELECTMEN'S REPORTS

Reported by Sengle

- Discussion on Monday night's Planning & Zoning meeting.
- A memorial service was held for former Dock Master Timothy Wahl. A copy of Sengle's speech will be attached to the minutes.

Reported by Walter

- A special town meeting will be held tonight at 6:30 pm to vote on a transfer request from WPCC for Amendment 7C.
- Walter made a request to have the Town Clerk provide a written document to all political parties on the process in regards to the ballot for the upcoming elections in November.

Reported by Guerra

- Update on Monday night's Planning & Zoning meeting.

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Reported by Scherban

- Update on Monday night's Police Commission meeting

Reported by Goupil

- The new town logo is being displayed on the trolley that is currently running on Friday, Saturday and Sundays throughout the summer months. Goupil stated that all of the town signs will be replaced with the new logo as well as directional signs throughout town.
- Discussion on blight ordinance.
- Goupil suggested having CCM schedule another meeting in town for boards/commission member on "How to Run an Effective Meeting".
- Department Head meetings are held on the third Thursday of every month. Goupil would like one board member to attend each meeting.

ADJOURN

Sengle made a motion, seconded by Scherban and unanimously adjourned the meeting at 9:25 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Schettino

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Tim Wahl Memorial Service

Good afternoon,

My name is Phil Sengle. Our First Selectman, Christine Goupil sends her regrets that she could not be here today. I agreed with pleasure, along with Jack Scherban and carol Walter, to represent the Board of Selectmen and recount some thoughts about Tim. What a beautiful day and location. I understand why Tim didn't seem to mind spending so much time here.

When I had a boat at the dock I had several conversations with Tim. After the usual chit chat, Tim quickly got around to the problems he was trying to solve and the improvements in operations and physical structure at both the ramp and docks that he was trying to make happen. This was before I was a selectman but he was trying to solicit my support anyway. Tim was about constant improvement.

He even appeared at a board of selectmen budget workshop to press the needs he saw down here and how to properly staff its operation. This appearance is usually made by department heads or Commission Chairs. Tim decided to make this his chore.

The town dock and boat ramp was never operated better than when Tim Wahl was here, all due to his hard work. I'm sure he spent more hours here than he was ever paid for. It was about way more than the pay for Tim. And speaking of money, this operation brings in significant and increasing revenue to the town along with attracting folks who spend money in Clinton. This fact was not lost on Tim, nor on the board of selectmen.

Possibly his greatest achievement was in mentoring the youth that worked for him. In fact one perfect example of that is Mike Marcovics the current dock master who succeeded him. I think Tim should be remembered for this.

Clinton owes Tim Wahl a debt of gratitude that can never be paid. We all wish he could be present to hear these accolades. Thank you Tim.