

BOARD OF SELECTMEN
TOWN HALL ROSE ROOM
AUGUST 07, 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

No visitors wished to speak at this time.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – JULY 24, 2019

Walter made a motion, seconded by Scherban to approve the minutes from July 24, 2019. The motion was unanimously approved with one abstention from Guerra.

RESIGNATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

Sengle made a motion, seconded by Scherban to reappoint Wayne Church (R) to the Cable TV Advisory Board for a term until June 30, 2021. The motion was unanimously approved. A discussion ensued on the technology, funding and staffing needed to record meetings. A representative of the Cable TV Advisory Board will arrange to attend a future board meeting to present options on recording meetings.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE SUMMERFEST AND FIREWORKS 2019

The Clinton Chamber of Commerce is planning a Summerfest and Fireworks event on August 31, 2019 with a rain date of September 1, 2019. This event will be held on town properties. They are planning to have a “beer garden” behind the Town Hall and the consumption of beer and wine will be confined to a fenced in area. Scherban made a motion, seconded by Guerra to grant an exception to section 194-4A and 194-5A for the Summerfest and Fireworks on August 31, 2019. The motion was unanimously approved.

LITTLE RED SCHOOL HOUSE

The Clinton Historical Society has donated their time to inventory and clean the Little Red School House. All of the contents have been inventoried. The Clinton Historical Society would like permission to open up the building to the public for one weekend in October. Since there isn't any parking at the Little Red School House there was discussion on having the trolley take people from the library to the Little Red School House. The cost of the trolley and additional insurance would be covered by the Clinton Historical Society. The board was in favor of this event.

ESTUARY COUNCIL OF SENIORS – MEALS ON WHEELS PROGRAM

Stan Mingione, Estuary Council of Seniors Executive Director, reviewed the Meals on Wheels Program with the board. The cost of the program was discussed for the district as well as Clinton.

Sengle made a motion, seconded by Scherban to add to the agenda item #10A – acceptance of funds from the National Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) for the Indian River Recovery Work near the Morgan School Bridge. The motion was unanimously approved.

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PUBLIC WORKS BID AWARDS

Todd Hajek, Director of Public Works, reviewed the bids with the board. Sengle made a motion, seconded by Scherban to award the Generator Repair and Service bid to GDL Services, Road Salt for winter operations bid to Eastern Salt and the Road Sand for winter operations bid to Haynes Materials. The motion was unanimously approved.

CERC CONTRACT

Guerra made a motion, seconded by Sengle to approve the CERC Agreement beginning on July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020 for \$42,500. The motion was unanimously approved.

POLICE DEPARTMENT LINE ITEM TRANSFER REQUEST

Walter made a motion, seconded by Scherban to approve the Police Department Line Item Transfer Request for fy2018-2019 to increase prisoner costs by \$193.58 and decrease uniform allowance 014201 by \$46.00, uniform allowance 014221 \$132.00 and training by \$15.58. The motion was unanimously approved.

ACCEPTING OF FUNDS FROM THE NATIONAL RESOURCE CONSERVATION SERVICE (NRCS) FOR THE INDIAN RIVER RECOVERY WORK NEAR THE MORGAN SCHOOL BRIDGE

The application with NRCS was submitted yesterday. The town has a small window of time to submit the application and accept the funds. Scherban made a motion, seconded by Guerra to accept the award amount of \$820,875.00 from the National Resource Conservation Service for the Indian River Recovery work near the Morgan School Bridge related to the Flash Floods from September 2018 and send to the Board of Finance and Town Meeting for approval. The motion was unanimously approved.

TOWN MANAGER

Sengle presented the Town Manager Brochure to the board. The brochure was prepared by SGR and reviewed by the Town Manager Search Committee. A timeline will be presented at the next meeting.

SELECTMEN'S REPORTS

Reported by Walter

- Discussion on amending the Winterization Ordinance
- Discussion on the Zoning Enforcement Officer position

Reported by Guerra

- Norm Needleman is having a question/answer session with Jessie MacLachlan on Thursday night.
- Guerra thanked Sengle for all of his hard work on the Town Manager Brochure.

Reported by Scherban

- Several board members attended the senior lunch at the Annex last week.

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Reported by Goupil

- Discussion on the sale of the Unilever property and possible uses for the property. Goupil has been working with the developers and consultant planner to help streamline the process.
- A discussion of whether it is appropriate for a Board member to be involved in discussions about union negotiations and strategy, when that Board member is in one of the Town's unions. Our Labor Attorney is reviewing the issue and will advise the Board.

ADJOURN

Walter made a motion, seconded by Scherban and unanimously adjourned the meeting at 9:45 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Schettino