

BOARD OF SELECTMEN
TOWN HALL ROSE ROOM
OCTOBER 02, 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 – SEPTEMBER 25, 2019

Scherban made a motion, seconded by Sengle to approve the minutes from September 25, 2019. The motion was unanimously approved with one abstention from Walter.

RESIGNATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

In the past, any major building-related projects that involved bonding or town approved funds, the town has appointed committee to oversee those projects. The committee will consist of 3 members and the meetings will be held during the day. Mike Hornyak and Jack Scherban have volunteered to serve on the committee. The third seat would be filled by the Public Works Commission. Maryann O'Donnell, Superintendent of Schools and Gonzalo Carrion, Director of Facilities for CPS, will also serve as the professionals on the committee. Walter made a motion, seconded by Sengle to appoint Mike Hornyak, Jack Scherban and an open seat to be filled by the Public Works Commission. The motion was unanimously approved.

PIERSON FUTURE USE UPDATE

The town first meet with with representatives of the Morgan Trust and the Attorney General to move forward collectively with a cy pre application to the superior court. The agreement was that the town would carry the costs of the property and the investigation of re-use or disposal of the property. Upon sale of the property, the fund would receive all net proceeds after accounting for the town's caring and investigation costs. This was approved by the Attorney General's representatives. The trust owns 63 percent of the land. The building was built on a portion of the land that is owned by the trust. The trust now feels that they should receive 63 percent of the gross profits on the sale of the land. The trust is in the process of getting the property appraised. The attorneys are trying to work out an agreement so the process can move forward.

COMPLETE STREETS POLICY

The policy is a way for towns to develop a comprehensive complete streets plan. The policy would integrate future road design and funding in a manner that promotes sustainable accommodations for all roadway users including pedestrians, bicyclists and motorists. The board was provided policies from the Town of Portland, West Hartford and Stratford. This policy will tie in and help support the next phase of the Route 81 and Route 1 Corridor Study. In 2014, the Town Plan of Conservation and Development endorsed a Complete Streets Policy. The policy can be amended as needed. The Sustainable Clinton

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Committee sent in letters of support. The planner is working on a draft policy for the board to review at next week's meeting.

TOWN MANAGER

Sengle provided an update to the board.

- SGR reported receiving a total of 45 applications for the position.
- Search committee will be meeting with Doug Thomas on Thursday afternoon at the Police Community Room. The committee will work with SGR to determine semifinalists. SGR will do a complete check on the candidates. SGR has developed a schedule for the final candidates on December 2nd & 3rd. A welcome breakfast is scheduled for December 2nd with the finalists and town leaders. Finalists will be interviewed by a leadership panel and members of the search committee. On December 3rd the finalists will be interviewed by members of the Town Council.
- After the November Election, Doug Thomas and members of the search committee will meet with the new Town Council members and update them on the process.
- The charge of the search committee states that their term is up when the new Town Council is seated. It will be up to the new Town Council to determine if their term will be extended.

SELECTMEN'S REPORTS

Board members were invited to attend the Chamber of Commerce Awards Dinner on Tuesday, October 15th at the Clinton Country Club.

Reported by Goupil

- First Thursday is scheduled for the first Thursday of every month. The monthly arts and business event will take place from 5pm to 7pm. Goupil thanked Mike Cuoco with Clinton Insurance for getting the insurance together and covering the cost.
- Route 81 Corridor Study final presentation was held last week at the Henry Carter Hull Library. Goupil will be requesting a meeting with DOT to update them on the results of the study so that everything will be in place when the developer is ready to move forward. The developer has designed his site plan around it.
- Clinton was named the top third beach on the shoreline.
- The board discussed an incident that took place last night on Route 81. The Police Department addressed the citation.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – EMPLOYEE CONTRACTS

Walter made a motion, seconded by Sengle to add personal related to the town manager search and pending litigation to the executive session. The motion was unanimously approved. Walter made a motion, seconded by Sengle to enter into executive session and invite Mary Schettino. The motion was unanimously approved. Walter and Schettino left the executive session at 9:32 am. The board came out of executive session at 9:30 am. No action was taken by the board.

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ADJOURN

Guerra made a motion, seconded by Scherban and unanimously adjourned the meeting at 9:31 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Schettino