

***Town of New Fairfield
Board of Selectmen
4 Brush Hill Road
New Fairfield, CT 06812***

MINUTES

**Board of Selectmen Special Meeting
Wednesday, May 26, 2021
7:00 PM
Virtual meeting via Zoom**

Members present:

Pat Del Monaco, First Selectman
Khris Hall, Selectman
Kim Hanson, Selectman

Other Town Officials Present:

Ed Sbordone, Finance Director and Town Treasurer

Quinten Flowers gave a brief overview of the rules and procedures for having a virtual meeting.

Call To Order First Selectman Pat Del Monaco called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comment- None

Correspondence and Announcements

Pat Del Monaco noted that the Town Meeting for the Budget referendum will be an in-person meeting on Thursday, May 27th at 7:00pm in the Meeting House Hill School Multi-Purpose Room. She reminded everyone that the purpose of this meeting is solely to set the date for the referendum.

Pat Del Monaco noted that Town Hall will fully reopen on Tuesday, June 1st. The hours are Monday-Thursday from 8:30am to 5:00pm and Friday from 8:30am to noon. Unvaccinated people must wear masks in the building. Vaccinated people may choose not to wear a mask but are encouraged to wear a mask anyway and to socially distance. Any services that have been online will remain online.

Pat Del Monaco congratulated Dr. Bill Gemmell and Jody Gemmell for being named Outstanding Seniors of the Year by the Commission on the Aging. She thanked them for all they have done for the town and especially most recently their contributions to the Vaccination clinic.

Selectman Kim Hanson expressed condolences on the passing of long time Registrar or Voters Elaine Jordano.

Selectman Khris Hall congratulated Dr. Bill Gemmell and Jody Gemmel on their award from the Commission on the Aging and thanked them for all their hard work with the Vaccination clinic. She also expressed condolences to the family of Elaine Jordano.

The Senior Center will reopen on Monday, June 7th.

The Memorial Day Veterans Ceremony will be held virtually on May 31st.

Approval of Minutes

Pat Del Monaco made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of May 13, 2021. Khris Hall seconded the motion. **Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)**

Budget Transfers

Pat Del Monaco made a motion to approve the following Intra-Departmental budget transfer in the amount of \$40,500.00. Khris Hall seconded the motion. **Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)**

<u>\$</u>	<u>Transfer From</u>		<u>\$</u>	<u>Transfer To</u>	
\$500.00	001-4110-0000-000/320.00	BOS-Cable Broadcast Expense	\$500.00	001-4110-0000-000/310.00	BOS Examine Land Records
			\$30,000.00		
\$30,000.00	001-4210-0000-000/110.00	Police Salaries		001-4210-0000-000/317.01	Police-Resident Sargeant OT
\$10,000.00	001-4310-0000-000/441.00	Public Works-Equipment Lease	\$10,000.00	001-4310-0000-000/130.00	Public Works-OT
\$40,500.00			\$40,500.00		

Personnel Report

Pat Del Monaco made a motion to approve the Personnel Report dated May 26, 2021 as presented. Kim Hanson seconded the motion. **Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)**

Appointments- None

NEW BUSINESS

Small Cities Loan Subordination- 21 Inglenook

Pat Del Monaco gave a brief summary of the submission for 21 Inglenook and spoke of changes that have been made since the last submission. It was noted that the Town would be in second position in the event of default. There was a brief discussion of the specifics of this loan. There was a request for the Selectmen to see the appraisal of this property and the Subordination Agreement.

Finance Director Ed Sbordone spoke of the process for subordination. Attorney Robert Yamin spoke of the specifics of this property.

Pat Del Monaco made a motion to table the vote on the Small Cities Loan Subordination for 21 Inglenook until the next regularly scheduled BOS meeting on June 10th. Kim Hanson seconded the motion. **Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)**

OLD BUSINESS

COVID 19/Vaccine update

Pat Del Monaco gave an update regarding COVID-19. She noted that the case rate as of May 20th was currently 8.2 per 100,000 and the test positivity rate is 2.5% which is higher than the State average. She further noted that New Fairfield has one of the lowest vaccination rate in the area. There was a brief discussion of how to increase the vaccination rate in New Fairfield. Khris Hall noted that instead of setting up a vaccination clinic for teens, it was decided that the Town will do an extensive advertising campaigns about the benefits of being vaccination and how easy it is to get done.

American Rescue Plan update

Pat Del Monaco noted that she has not received any recent information on the American Rescue Plan but will be attending a CCM Presentation regarding this on June 3rd.

Noise Ordinance

Pat Del Monaco noted that this ordinance would need to be approved at a Town Meeting. It was decided that the date and venue for this meeting will be set at the next BOS meeting on June 10th.

Public Comment- None

Discussion of 13 and 15 Route 37- Executive Session

Executive Session

Pat Del Monaco made a motion to go into Executive Session at 7:59pm for the purpose of discussing 13 and 15 Route 37 and to invite Ed Sbordone into the Executive Session. Kim Hanson seconded the motion. **Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)**

Pat Del Monaco made a motion to come out of Executive Session at 8:02 pm. Khris Hall seconded the motion. **Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)**

Adjournment

Pat Del Monaco made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:03 pm. Khris Hall seconded the motion. **Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)**

Suzanne Kloos

**Received by email on 6/2/2021 @ 10:32 a.m.
By: Holly Z Smith, Asst. Town Clerk, New Fairfield**