

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

MINUTES
Board of Selectmen Regular Meeting
Thursday, March 10, 2022
7:30 PM
Virtual meeting via Zoom

Members present:

Pat Del Monaco, First Selectman
Lori Ann Beninson, Selectman
Khris Hall, Selectman

Other Town Officials Present:

Wes Marsh, BOF Chairman
Olga Melnikov, Finance Director
Elissa Johnson, BPAC Chairman

Call To Order First Selectman Pat Del Monaco called the meeting to order at 7:30pm.

Network Administrator Paul Gouveia gave a brief overview of the rules and procedures for having a virtual meeting.

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comment- None

Correspondence and Announcements

Pat Del Monaco announced that the St. Patrick's Day parade is scheduled for this Saturday, March 12th. She noted that the weather forecast is not favorable and encouraged anyone interested in attending to check the Town's website to make sure that it is not postponed.

Lori Beninson noted that she has been working on the revitalization of the Youth Commission and will keep the Board posted on any updates.

Khris Hall noted that there is a COVID vaccination clinic scheduled for March 12th but may be cancelled due to bad weather. There are two more clinics scheduled after this one and then the clinic will be suspended until there are further expansions of eligibility for the vaccine.

Approval of Minutes

Pat Del Monaco made a motion to approve the minutes of the special meeting of February 24, 2022 as presented. Lori Bennison seconded the motion. **Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)**

Budget Transfers

Pat Del Monaco made a motion to approve the following Inter-Departmental transfers in the amount of \$5,000. Khris Hall seconded the motion. **Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)**

\$	Transfer From		\$	Transfer To	
\$5,000.00	001-4197-0000-000/110.00	Land Use Salaries	\$5,000.00	001-4215-0000-000/130.00	Communications Center Overtime
\$5,000.00			\$5,000.00		

Personnel Report

Pat Del Monaco made a motion to approve the Personnel Report dated March 10, 2022 as presented. Khris Hall seconded the motion. **Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)**

Appointments

Pat Del Monaco made a motion to appoint Ann Brown to a full member of the Zoning Board of Appeals elevated from an Alternate position. Lori Beninson seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)

The entire BOS thanked Vinny Mancuso for his many years of service to the ZBA.

Pat Del Monaco made a motion to appoint Christopher Wegrzyn as an Alternate member to the Zoning Board of Appeals. Khris Hall seconded the motion. **Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)**

New Business

Discussion and vote on appointments to Housing Opportunity Committee

Pat Del Monaco noted that the following residents have expressed interest in the Housing Opportunity Committee- Anita Brown, Kathleen DiTullio, Kathy Hull, Rich Kalinka, Jim Mandella and Rev. Liz Yoho. She gave a brief description of their respective backgrounds.

Khris Hall thanked everyone that volunteered for this committee. She noted that the Planning Commission and the Zoning Commission will also appoint an ex officio member to this committee.

Pat Del Monaco made a motion to appoint Anita Brown, Kathleen DiTullio, Kathy Hull, Rich Kalinka, Jim Mandella and Rev. Liz Yoho to the Housing Opportunity Committee. Khris Hall seconded the motion. **Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)**

Ball Pond Mission Statement

Pat Del Monaco noted that the Ball Pond Advisory Committee has put together a mission statement and asked the BOS to review and accept this statement. There was a brief discussion on the goals and the possibility of broadening them in the future.

Pat Del Monaco made a motion to approve the Ball Pond Advisory Committee Mission Statement and current goals and challenges. Lori Beninson seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)

OLD BUSINESS

COVID update

Pat Del Monaco gave an update on COVID and reported that New Fairfield is in the lowest level for case rates.

PCR testing is available at the Town at Company A Firehouse until March 23rd. The hours for the testing are Monday thru Friday from 9am to 4pm. Appointments can be made online thru corative.com. Anyone without a computer can call the Selectmen's office for assistance in making an appointment.

2022-2023 Budget

The BOS budget for 2022-2023 was presented to the Board of Finance on March 5th. The BOS is currently waiting on guidance regarding the budget from the BOF.

Public Comment- None

Adjournment

Pat Del Monaco made a motion to adjourn the meeting at approximately 7:52 pm. Lori Beninson seconded the motion. **Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)**

Respectfully submitted,
Suzanne Kloos