

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

MINUTES

Board of Selectmen Regular Meeting
Thursday, June 8, 2023
7:30 PM
Community Room at 33 Route 37

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
Elisa Beckett-Flores, Registrar of Voters
Terra Volpe, Parks and Rec Commission

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Change in Agenda

Pat Del Monaco made a motion to move agenda item #5 “HRRR Poster Winners” before Public Comment on the agenda. Khris Hall seconded the motion. **Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)**

HRRR Poster Winners

The Board of Selectmen along with Terra Volpe from the Parks and Rec commission presented ribbons to the winners of the Housatonic Resources Recovery Authority Poster Contest for students in Kindergarten through 12th grade. There were six regional winners and a grand prize winner. The grand prize winner’s poster will be displayed on the HART buses. Pat Del Monaco presented 18 students with ribbons for their posters.

Public Comment

Claudia Thiel and Monika Thiel spoke of their concerns with the proposed crosswalk and Gillotti Road and the possibility that it may lead to a sidewalk built in front of their parents’ property on Gillotti Road. They spoke of possible legal and financial responsibilities of the homeowners with having a sidewalk in front of their house.

Monika Thiel asked about speed control and why Gillotti Road was not given priority.

First Selectman Pat Del Monaco noted that there are no plans at this time to put a sidewalk by this crosswalk. She noted that the crosswalk is a stipulation by the Zoning Commission and encouraged the Thiel family to approach the Zoning Commission.

Terra Volpe thanked the BOS for all their hard work.

Correspondence and Announcements

Pat Del Monaco announced that Preserve New Fairfield will host a Strawberry Festival this Sunday, June 11th from 1pm to 4pm at the Senior Center parking lot.

Selectman Khris Hall announced that there will be a Tag Sale at the Senior Center parking lot on Saturday, June 10th beginning at 9am.

Selectman Lori Beninson noted that she received an email regarding the crosswalk on Gillotti Road and will forward it to the other Selectmen.

Approval of Minutes

Pat Del Monaco made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of May 25, 2023. Khris Hall seconded the motion. **Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)**

Pat Del Monaco made a motion to approve the minutes of the special meeting of May 25, 2023. Lori Beninson seconded the motion. **Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)**

Pat Del Monaco made a motion to approve the minutes of the special meetings of June 5, 2023 and June 6, 2023. Khris Hall seconded the motion. **Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)**

Budget Transfers

Pat Del Monaco made a motion to approve an Intra-Departmental transfer in the amount of \$54,078.00. (Attached to the minutes of this meeting) Lori Beninson seconded the motion. **Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)**

Pat Del Monaco made a motion to approve an Inter-Departmental transfer in the amount of \$79,000.00. (Attached to the minutes of this meeting) Lori Beninson seconded the motion. **Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)**

Approve Tax Refunds recommended by the Tax Collector

Pat Del Monaco made a motion to approve the Tax Collector's refund requests as presented:

JP Morgan Chase- \$259.19

Geraldine Kraszweski- \$25.58

George Mihailin- \$5.94

Daimler Trust- \$741.16

William Knab and Kristine Nielsen- \$2,512.09

Lori Beninson seconded the motion. **Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)**

Personnel Report

Pat Del Monaco made a motion to approve the Personnel Report dated June 8, 2023 as presented.

Lori Beninson seconded the motion. **Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)**

Appointments

Pat Del Monaco made a motion to reappoint Maureen Clegg to the Permanent Building Committee. Khris Hall seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)

The Board of Selectmen thanked Maureen Clegg for all she has done for the PBC to date.

New Business

Finance Year-End update

Finance Director Olga Melnikov gave a financial update for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023. Revenue is expected to be approximately \$1.3 to \$1.5 million higher than budgeted due to unanticipated State revenue from the collection of sales tax and higher than expected interest income. There will be a Town Meeting to approve the transfer of some of the revenue surplus into the Medical Fund and Police Private Duty overtime. Expenditures for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023 are on track to have a moderate surplus. The expenditure surplus is due to the reduction in the fringe benefit rates for State Troopers and unfilled positions in various departments throughout the year.

Olga Melnikov noted that the financial system in the Finance Department has been successfully updated. She gave a brief summary of the benefits of this new system.

Old Business

Economic Development Commission Recommendation ARPA Small Business Grant- None

Public Comment

John McCartney thanked all the volunteers to the Town Boards and Commissions and encouraged residents to get involved in the many opportunities in town.

Monika Thiel spoke of the process and her frustration with getting information regarding the proposed crosswalk on Gillotti Road.

Adjournment

Pat Del Monaco made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:18 pm. Lori Beninson seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)

Respectfully submitted,
Suzanne Kloos

Received by email on 6/14/2023 @ 2:55 PM
by Tricia Quinn, Asst. Town Clerk, New Fairfield

TOWN OF NEW FAIRFIELD
FISCAL 2022-2023
Intra-Department Transfer

<u>\$'S</u>		<u>TRANSFER FROM:</u>		<u>\$'S</u>		<u>TRANSFER TO:</u>	
799.00	001-4220-0000-000 / 322.00	FD - Education & Training		799.00	001-4220-0001-000 / 430.09	FD - Maintenance & Repairs	
990.00	001-4220-0000-000 / 423.01	FD - Contracted Services		990.00	001-4220-0001-000 / 430.09	FD - Maintenance & Repairs	
1,500.00	001-4220-0005-000 / 610.01	FD - Portable Equipment		1,500.00	001-4220-0001-000 / 430.09	FD - Maintenance & Repairs	
500.00	001-4160-0000-000 / 260.00	Unclassified Payroll & Benefits - Workers' Comp		500.00	001-4160-0000-000 / 580.00	Unclassified Payroll & Benefits - Mileage Reimb	
1,000.00	001-4215-0000-000 / 112.00	Communication Center - Part-Time Salaries		1,000.00	001-4215-0000-000 / 610.00	Communication Center - M&S	
5,000.00	001-4215-0000-000 / 112.00	Communication Center - Part-Time Salaries		5,000.00	001-4215-0000-000 / 130.00	Communication Center - Overtime	
2,500.00	001-4151-0000-000 / 801.00	BOF - Contingency		2,500.00	001-4151-0000-000 / 610.00	BOF - M&S	
4,000.00	001-4195-0006-000 / 620.04	Utilities - Town Properties		4,000.00	001-4195-0003-000 / 620.01	Utilities - Electric	
2,200.00	001-4210-0000-000 / 110.00	PD - Salaries		2,200.00	001-4210-0001-000 / 110.02	PD - Secretary	
7,000.00	001-4210-0000-000 / 110.00	PD - Salaries		7,000.00	001-4210-0001-000 / 130.00	PD - Overtime	
10,000.00	001-4310-0000-000 / 110.00	Public Works - Salaries		10,000.00	001-4310-0000-000 / 112.00	Public Works - Engineering Services	
6,734.00	001-4310-0000-000 / 441.00	Public Works - Equipment Lease		6,734.00	001-4310-0000-000 / 423.00	Public Works - Contracted Services (Trees)	
5,500.00	001-4310-0000-000 / 421.01	Public Works - Disposal of Waste		5,500.00	001-4310-0000-000 / 423.00	Public Works - Contracted Services (Trees)	
400.00	001-4310-0000-000 / 291.00	Public Works - Uniforms		400.00	001-4310-0000-000 / 423.00	Public Works - Contracted Services (Trees)	
6,355.00	001-4310-0003-000 / 610.01	Public Works - Snow Material and Supplies		6,355.00	001-4310-0000-000 / 423.00	Public Works - Contracted Services (Trees)	
54,478.00				54,478.00			

54,078.00

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FISCAL 2022-2023
Inter-Department Transfer

<u>\$/\$</u> TRANSFER FROM:		<u>\$/\$</u> TRANSFER TO:	
1,800.00	001-4197-0000-000 / 110.00	BOF - Contingency	1,800.00 001-4140-0000-000 / 610.00 Registrars of Voters - M&S
3,000.00	001-4197-0000-000 / 110.00	BOF - Contingency	3,000.00 001-4140-0000-000 / 110.00 Registrars of Voters - Salaries
1,000.00	001-4197-0000-000 / 110.00	BOF - Contingency	1,000.00 001-4140-0000-000 / 105.00 Registrars of Voters - Elected Salaries
4,200.00	001-4210-0002-000 / 317.02	PD - Other Resident Troopers	4,200.00 001-4195-0004-000 / 620.02 Utilities - Telephone
7,000.00	001-4210-0002-000 / 317.02	PD - Other Resident Troopers	7,000.00 001-4195-0005-000 / 620.03 Utilities - Fuel Oil
3,000.00	001-4210-0002-000 / 317.02	PD - Other Resident Troopers	3,000.00 001-4195-0002-000 / 620.08 Utilities - Fire Companies
12,000.00	001-4210-0002-000 / 317.02	PD - Other Resident Troopers	12,000.00 001-4195-0000-000 / 626.00 Utilities - Gas & Diesel
7,000.00	001-4210-0002-000 / 317.02	PD - Other Resident Troopers	7,000.00 001-4161-0000-000 / 334.01 Professional Services - Consulting
10,000.00	001-4210-0002-000 / 317.02	PD - Other Resident Troopers	10,000.00 001-4161-0000-003 / 332.01 Legal - Labor
10,000.00	001-4210-0002-000 / 317.02	PD - Other Resident Troopers	10,000.00 001-4161-0000-004 / 332.01 Legal - General
20,000.00	001-4210-0002-000 / 317.02	PD - Other Resident Troopers	20,000.00 001-4161-0000-007 / 332.01 Legal - Zoning
79,000.00			79,000.00

Submitted at the BOS meeting on 06/08/2023
 To be submitted at BOF the meeting on 06/21/2023