

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

MINUTES
Board of Selectmen Meeting
Thursday, February 8, 2007
7:30 PM
High School Library

Members present:

John Hodge, First Selectman
Ron Oliveri, Selectman

Other Town Officials Present:

Call To Order First Selectman John Hodge called the meeting to order at 7:30pm

Pledge of Allegiance

Presentation of Proclamation

John Hodge presented the 1st graders at Consolidated school with a Proclamation for their hard work with earning money and care packages for the soldiers overseas.

Correspondence and Announcements

John Hodge announced that there will be a workshop of the BOS and the Assistant Assessor and Assessor to discuss the Veterans Tax Exemption. This workshop will take place on Thursday, February 15th at 5:00pm at the High school library. Members of the public are welcome to attend.

John Hodge announced that the moving of the Hubbel House and Cassidy House will be on Sunday, February 25, 2007. (weather permitting). There will be an area set up for people to watch if desired. There will be an outgoing message on the answering machine at the Selectman's office that day if anyone wants to confirm based on weather.

John Hodge encouraged residents to sign up for "ALERT NOW". This can be done by filling out a form at the Police Station. Forms will also be available in upcoming issues of the Citizen News. Mr. Hodge noted that residents that are signed up for the "ALERT NOW" with the schools are **not** automatically signed up on the Town side and must fill out a separate form.

John Hodge spoke of Governor Rell's budget and how this budget affects New Fairfield.

Selectman Ron Oliveri thanked the 1st graders and First Selectman Hodge for the Proclamation.

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Ron Oliveri spoke of “One Book-One Town” hosted by the Community Literacy Council. This year’s book is “The Great Gatsby”. Mr. Oliveri went over the calendar of events regarding “One Book-One Town”. A copy of this calendar of events will be in upcoming issues of the Citizen News.

Public comment

Art Azzarito spoke of the Veterans tax exemption. Mr. Azzarito presented the Board of Selectman with an explanation of Veterans exemptions.

Marty Andrews spoke of his support of the Veterans exemption.

Karen Chance thanked the 1st graders from Consolidated and John Hodge for the gifts for the soldiers. Ms. Chance thanked Art Azzarito and the selectman for putting together a workshop for the Veterans exemption. Ms. Chance also reminded everyone that there will be a Public Hearing for the School Building projects on Tuesday, February 13th at 7:00 at the High School library.

Approval of Minutes

Ron Oliveri made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 25, 2007 regular meeting and February 1, 2007 special Meeting as presented. John Hodge seconded the motion.

Vote: 2-0-0 (Motion approved)

Legal Updates

John Hodge spoke of legal budget lines that are in need of transfers.

Human Resource Personnel Report

John Hodge made a motion to accept the “Town of New Fairfield- Personnel Report” for the period ending February 8, 2007 as presented. Ron Oliveri seconded the motion.

Vote: 2-0-0 (Motion approved)

Budget Transfers

John Hodge made a motion to make an Intra-Departmental transfer in the amount of \$1700 **from** line item #4195-620-4 (Town Properties Telephone) **to** line item #4195-620-6 (Town Properties-Other) also in the amount of \$1700. Ron Oliveri seconded the motion. (Such document to be attached to the minutes of this meeting)

Vote: 2-0-0 (Motion approved)

John Hodge made a motion to make an Inter-Departmental transfer (**Town Meeting required**) in the amount of 45,000 **from** line item # 4160-140 (salary adjustment) in the amount and \$20,000 and line item #4151-801(BOF contingency) in the amount of \$25,000 **to** line item #4161-332-2 (Legal-Tax) in the amount of \$15,000, line item # 4161-332-1 (Legal-Land Use) in the amount of \$15,000, line item # 4161-332-7 (Legal-Zoning) in the amount of \$5,000 and line item # 4161-332-8 (Legal-ZBA) in the amount of \$10,000 for a total of transfer of \$45,000. Ron Oliveri seconded the motion. (Such document to be attached to the minutes of this meeting).

Vote: 2-0-0 (Motion approved)

Appointments-Tree City USA Committee

John Hodge spoke of New Fairfield becoming a “Tree City USA”. Keith Norton from Hissong & Wyatt sent the Selectman some information about New Fairfield becoming a “Tree City USA”.

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Mr. Norton has volunteered to get a committee together to work on New Fairfield becoming a “Tree City USA”. More information will be available at future meetings.

Public Comment None

General Discussion: Items brought up by Selectmen for Future agendas None

Adjournment

Ron Oliveri made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:03pm. John Hodge seconded the motion.

Vote: 2-0-0 (Motion approved)