

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

MINUTES
Board of Selectmen Meeting
Thursday, April 26, 2007
7:30 PM
High School Library

Members present:

John Hodge, First Selectman
Peggy Katkocin, 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

Correspondence and Announcements

First Selectman John Hodge announced that an alternate member of the Board of Finance has been elevated to full member status and thus there is an opening for an alternate on the BOF. Anyone interested should contact the Selectman's office at 312-5600.

John Hodge announced that FEMA will provide assistance to residents with damage to their homes due to the nor'easter on April 15th. Anyone with damage is asked to call the Selectman's office at 312-5600. It is helpful if receipts are kept and pictures are taken if possible.

Selectman Peggy Katkocin announced that there will be a bioterrorism mock drill on Saturday, May 5th from 9am to 12 noon at the High school. Volunteers are needed for this event. Medical experience is not necessary to volunteer.

Selectman Ron Oliveri spoke of a settlement in the amount of \$650,000 from the state that is administrating a settlement from General Electric due to pollution of the Housatonic River. Volunteers are needed with experience with shoreline reclamation or with estimating costs of pathways or nature trails. Anyone interested should call the Selectman's office at 312-5600.

Public comment- None

Approval of Minutes

Ron Oliveri made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 12, 2007 regular meeting and the April 13, 2007 and April 18, 2007 special meetings as presented. John Hodge seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)

Adjourned Town meeting

John Hodge spoke of the referendum vote on Saturday, May 5th from 8am to 8pm at Meeting House Hill School. The warning of the Adjourned Town Meeting will be in the Citizen News on May 2nd. There was a discussion of the wording of the resolution.

John Hodge made a motion to warn of an Adjourned Town Meeting (Machine vote) as an informational item and as a Warning of a Town Meeting fulfilling any legal requirements. Ron Oliveri seconded the motion. (Such Warning will be published in the Citizen News)

Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)

Older American’s award This award was tabled until a further date.

Waiving of fees at drop off center

John Hodge announced that the town would like to help residents affected by the nor’easter storm by allowing them to use the drop off center to drop off items damaged by the nor’easter without a fee.

John Hodge made a motion to waive the fees at the drop-off center due to the nor’easter storm of April 15th and 16th. Such waiving of fees to be verified on an individual basis by Social Service Director Cindy White. Ron Oliveri seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)

Addition to agenda

John Hodge made a motion to add item #7A (Budget transfer) to the agenda. Ron Oliveri seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)

Budget transfer

John Hodge made a motion to make an Inter-Departmental transfer in the amount of \$3,000 **from** line item # 4150-110 (Finance Salaries) **to** line item #4164-334 (Consulting) also in the amount of \$3,000 for engineering work for heating at Squantz Firehouse. (Such transfer document to be attached to the minutes of this meeting). Peggy Katkocin seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)

Public comment- None

Executive Session

John Hodge made a motion to go into Executive Session at 7:52pm for the purposes of discussing a legal settlement. Ron Oliveri seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)

Ron Oliveri made motion to come out of Executive Session at 8:04pm. Peggy Katkocin seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)

Peggy Katkocin made a motion to authorize the First Selectman to settle a legal issue that was discussed in Executive Session and that any fees or costs associated with this be covered under the legal expenses line in the current year budget. John Hodge seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)

General Discussion: Items brought up by Selectmen for future agendas- None

Adjournment

Ron Oliveri made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:05pm. Peggy Katkocin seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)

