

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

MINUTES

Board of Selectmen Meeting
Thursday, August 9, 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

John Hodge announced that FERC has announced that a hearing regarding the Shoreline Management Plan will take place within the next 30 to 45 days in the area.

John Hodge announced that the tennis courts at the High school have been completed. Mr. Hodge thanked Parks and Recreation Director Steve Merullo and Schools Buildings and Ground Director Phil Ross for their hard work with getting the tennis courts completed.

John Hodge received a letter from Charter thanking the town for participating in the Recycling program and recycling video tapes.

Selectman Ron Oliveri spoke of the Youth Leadership Program that is held every year. This program is for High school students. Mentors are needed for this program. Anyone interested in being a mentor should call Reggie Lambrach at 746-1074.

Public Comment- None

Recognitions Lakefront Personnel- First Selectman John Hodge presented recognitions to lifeguards of the New Fairfield Town beach and Squantz Pond. Mr. Hodge thanked all the lifeguards for their hard work this summer.

Approval of Minutes

Ron Oliveri made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 26, 2007 regular meeting as presented. Peggy Katkocin seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)

New Fairfield Veterans Association

John Hodge made a motion to change the wording of agenda item #6 to read “Discuss and vote on accepting the acquisition of a cannon on behalf of the New Fairfield Veterans Association.” Ron Oliveri seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)

John Hodge made a motion that the Town of New Fairfield grant permission to the New Fairfield Connecticut Veterans Association to acquire a demilitarized artillery piece from the U.S. Army TACOM Life Cycle Management Command (LCMC) as a permanent display on the Town of New Fairfield, CT Veteran’s Green as a Memorial to current and past veterans. Peggy Katkocin seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)

Appointments

John Hodge made a motion to reappoint John Apple as an alternate to the Zoning Board of Appeals. Peggy Katkocin seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)

John Hodge made a motion to reappoint Patricia Kemble as a member of the Historic Properties Commission. Ron Oliveri seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)

Add to Agenda

John Hodge made a motion to add agenda item #7A “Discuss and vote on personnel matters” to the agenda. Ron Oliveri seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)

Discuss and vote on personnel matters

John Hodge made a motion to approve Personnel report #1 as presented. Peggy Katkocin seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)

John Hodge made a motion to approve Personnel report #2 with the condition that said employee still needs to complete the full qualification process through Human Resources. Ron Oliveri seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)

Discuss and vote on appropriating money from Cap & Non for Squantz Firehouse HVAC

John Hodge noted that two bids have come back for the heating and air conditioning system for the Squantz Pond firehouse.

John Hodge made a motion to recommend to the Board of Finance an additional appropriation of \$90,000 from the Capital and Nonrecurring fund for the installation of the new heating and air conditioning system at the Squantz Firehouse. Ron Oliveri seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)

Resignations

John Hodge made a motion to accept two resignations as presented. Peggy Katkocin seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)

Public Comment

Lucy DiRocco spoke of the Freedom of Information hearing that was held in Hartford on August 8th.

Miles St. Jacques spoke of the novachipping of Sunswept Drive. A letter submitted by Mr. St. Jacques is attached to the minutes of this meeting. A lengthy discussion ensued among the BOS regarding novachipping of Sunswept Drive.

General Discussion: Items to be brought up by Selectmen for future agendas-

Selectman Peggy Katkocin asked about the DECD grant for the Senior Center. First Selectman Hodge stated that there is an "Environmental Review Report" that was submitted and the town should hear back within a month. The Permanent Building Committee has met regarding the Senior Center.

Executive Session

John Hodge made a motion to table the Executive Session indefinitely. Ron Oliveri seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)

Adjournment

Ron Oliveri made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 pm. John Hodge seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)