

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

MINUTES
Board of Selectmen Meeting
Thursday, June 12, 2008
8:00 PM
High School Library

Members present:

John Hodge, First Selectman
Ron Oliveri, Selectman
Tom Corbett, Selectman

Other Town Officials Present:

Call To Order First Selectman John Hodge called the meeting to order at 8:20pm

Pledge of Allegiance

Correspondence and Announcements- None

Public Comment- None

Approval of Minutes

Tom Corbett made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 22, 2008 regular meeting and the June 2, 2008 and June 6, 2008 special meetings as presented. Ron Oliveri seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)

Appointments

John Hodge appointed Ron Malmberg as the Building Inspector for the Town of New Fairfield. (The first selectman has the authority to appoint this position and no vote was needed.)

John Hodge made a motion to reappoint Timothy Simpkins as the Health Director for the Town of New Fairfield. Ron Oliveri seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)

Discussion of Expenditures & Revenue Shortfalls for 2007-2008 fiscal year

First Selectman Hodge spoke of the town's financial situation and noted that the town will most likely end the year approximately \$50,000 to the good. The financial situation is mainly due to the shortfall of revenues. There has been a freeze on certain accounts until the end of the fiscal

year. Mr. Hodge noted that New Fairfield is in a very favorable position compared with surrounding towns.

Budget Transfers

John Hodge made a motion to transfer into a new account entitled High School P.O.D. Generator tie in from the Building Repair Reserve in the amount of \$134.62. Tom Corbett seconded the motion. (Such document to be attached to the minutes of this meeting)

Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)

Discussion on a waiver of interest on tax issue

First Selectman Hodge spoke of a request from a taxpayer to waive the interest on his motor vehicle tax in the amount of \$69.80. Mr. Hodge noted that the reason this taxpayer could not pay his taxes were because he was incarcerated. No motion was made for this request.

Assistance Agreement for Senior Center

Tom Corbett made a motion to authorize the first selectman to execute any resolutions, amendments decisions, revisions and execute an Assistance Agreement for the Senior Center. Ron Oliveri seconded the motion.

John Hodge made a motion to amend the previous motion to include “as per the attached resolution”. Tom Corbett seconded the motion.

Vote on amendment: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)

Vote on motion as amended: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)

Connecticut State Library Association

John Hodge made a motion that be it resolved that John Hodge, First Selectman of the Town of New Fairfield is empowered to apply for a state public library construction grant and to execute and deliver the name and on behalf of this organization a certain contract with the Connecticut State Library, State of Connecticut for State Public Library construction grant. Tom Corbett seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)

Personnel Report

John Hodge made a motion accept the personnel report as presented. Tom Corbett seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)

Addition to Agenda

Ron Oliveri made a motion to add to the Agenda item #11A “Discuss and possibly vote on issues concerning the Senior Center Architect. Tom Corbett seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)

Discussion of Architect for the Senior Center

Selectman Ron Oliveri spoke of issues regarding the contract between the Town of New Fairfield Permanent Building Committee and the architect for the Senior Center. Mr. Oliveri noted that all three selectmen attended the PBC meeting on June 12th. Mr. Oliveri also noted that proof of insurance was not received from the architect firm of Aldridge and Burns in a timely manner. A lengthy discussion of the contract with the architect ensued among the selectmen.

John Hodge made a motion that no more payment be made to the architect firm of Aldridge and Burns without the full set of drawings as promised per the contract. Ron Oliveri seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)

Public Comment- None

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

Selectman Tom Corbett asked about the enforcement of penalties for driving while speaking on a cell phone.

Mr. Corbett also asked about the status of Arrow Meadow Road. First Selectman Hodge noted that most of Arrow Meadow now has curbs.

First Selectman Hodge gave an update on the Fire Department Radio system. A proposal will be brought to a selectman's meeting in the very near future.

Adjournment

Tom Corbett made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:26 pm. John Hodge seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)