

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

**MINUTES**

**Board of Selectmen Regular Meeting  
Thursday, February 26, 2009  
7:30 PM  
High School Library**

***Members present:***

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

***Other Town Officials Present:***

Ed Sbordone, Accounting Manager

**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 read a proclamation for the Girl Scouts and proclaimed the week of March 9<sup>th</sup> to be "Girl Scout" week.

First Selectman John Hodge noted that he received a complimentary letter from a resident commending State Trooper Alegro and Trooper Farr. Mr. Hodge congratulated both on a job well done.

First Selectman Hodge noted that there will be a Public Hearing on Wednesday, March 04, 2009 in the High School library regarding the school construction project for Meeting House Hill School and the High School.

First Selectman Hodge spoke of the Grand List in town and noted that many surrounding towns have had negative growth. Mr. Hodge noted that New Fairfield's Grant List has grown by ¼ %.

First Selectman Hodge spoke of the Shoreline Management Plan and a meeting that was held on February 25<sup>th</sup>. A draft of the SMP stated that it would last only six years. There will be a meeting next week to try to get to a resolution.

Selectman Ron Oliveri spoke of a settlement from General Electric in which the Town of New Fairfield received \$150,000 for recreation. Selectman Oliveri thanked Tom Quigley, Jeff Main, Ernest Fabio-Garcia and Bill McCann for all the hard work in securing this settlement money.

First Selectman John Hodge thanked Selectman Oliveri and the entire team for all the hard work with this project.

**Public Comment**

Resident Jim Mellett spoke of FOI requests for the Selectmen's office.

Resident Tom Quigley thanked Ron Oliveri for all his hard work with the GE Settlement. Mr. Quigley also asked about the consent order for the water system in town.

**Approval of Minutes**

Ron Oliveri made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 12, 2009 meeting as presented. Tom Corbett seconded the motion.

**Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)**

**Addition to agenda**

John Hodge made a motion to add item #4A “Discussion of stimulus package” to the agenda. Ron Oliveri seconded the motion.

**Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)**

**Discussion of stimulus package**

First Selectman John Hodge noted that the town has received notification that through the Department of Transportation it is in line for \$227,000 of stimulus money. Mr. Hodge is going to a meeting on March 6<sup>th</sup> to discuss this. Tentatively, the town is up for \$200,000 for a commuter parking lot and bus to Southeast train station. Mr. Hodge also spoke of other projects in town that have been put it for grants.

**Budget Transfer**

John Hodge made a motion to transfer \$6,800 from the Building Repair reserve fund to the Ball Pond Fire Dept. boiler for replacement of the furnace. Tom Corbett seconded the motion.

**Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)**

John Hodge made a motion to make the following Inter-Departmental transfer. Tom Corbett seconded the motion. (Such document to be attached to the minutes of this meeting)

**Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)**

\$'s	To Account #		\$'s	From Account #	
\$20,000.00	4161-332-8	Legal-ZBA	\$ 2,000.00	4110-110	BOS Salaries
			\$ 300.00	4110-610	BOS-Materials & Supplies
			\$ 500.00	4120-110	Town Clerk-Salaries
			\$ 700.00	4120-342	Town Clerk-Ordinance Up.
			\$ 3,000.00	4151-801	BOF Contingency
			\$ 2,000.00	4160-220	Unclass-P&B-Soc.Security
			\$ 800.00	4160-580	Unclass-P&B Mileage Reim.
			\$ 1,000.00	4164-430-7	Bus. Machine-System Admin.
			\$ 1,200.00	4164-615	Business Machine-Postage
			\$ 2,200.00	4190-345	HR-Business Services
			\$ 1,000.00	4215-660	Comm. Center-Alert Now
			\$ 1,500.00	4410-610	Health-Materials & Supplies
			\$ 1,000.00	4440-350-1	Social Services-Wom. Center
			\$ 100.00	4440-350-2	Social Services-Reg. Hospice
			\$ 100.00	4440-350-3	Social Services-Ability B.A
			\$ 500.00	4440-350-5	Social Services-Reg. Homeless
			\$ 100.00	4440-350-6	Social Services-Child Abuse
			\$ 2,000.00	4450-810	Senior Services-Programs
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\$40,000.00	4161-332-3	Prof. Services- Legal Labor	\$ 2,000.00	4110-110	BOS Salaries
			\$ 1,000.00	4151-332	BOF-General Counsel
			\$ 2,000.00	4151-334	BOF-Consulting Services
			\$ 2,933.00	4153-110	Assessor-Salaries
			\$ 1,500.00	4160-580	Unclass-P&B Mileage Reim.
			\$ 1,000.00	4164-431-4	Bus. Machine-Comm. Center
			\$ 1,200.00	4190-345	HR-Business Services
			\$ 1,000.00	4192-331	Zoning Comm. Reg. Maintenance
			\$ 1,300.00	4215-431	Comm. Center- NCIC Support
			\$ 25.00	4215-530	Comm. Center-NW-PSCC
			\$ 1,300.00	4215-610	Comm. Center-Materials & Supplies
			\$ 2,000.00	4220-610	Fire Co. Dept. Mat & Supp.
			\$ 700.00	4240-610	Build. Inspector-Mat. & Supp.
			\$ 12,542.00	4310-451	PW-Road Repair
			\$ 1,000.00	4420-331	Inland Wetland-Regulations
			\$ 500.00	4450-334-1	Senior Service-Health Screen
			\$ 1,000.00	4450-810	Senior Services-Programs
			\$ 2,000.00	4450-110	Library-Salaries
			\$ 5,000.00	4550-640	Library-Book & Materials
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\$20,000.00	4310-610-3	PW-Snow Mat & Supp.	\$ 100.00	4120-341	Town Clerk-Vital Statistics
			\$ 72.00	4121-610	Probate-Materials & Supplies
			\$ 38.00	4151-801	BOF Contingency
			\$ 50.00	4152-610	Treasurer-Materials & Supplies
			\$ 1,785.00	4153-339	Assessor-Revaluation
			\$ 1,054.00	4154-331	Tax Coll. Delq. Tax Coll.
			\$ 607.00	4160-130	Unclass-P&B OT Conting.
			\$ 6,000.00	4161-333	Prof. Services-Town Engineer
			\$ 2,500.00	4161-334	Prof. Services-Consulting
			\$ 275.00	4162-312	Intergov. Agency-CCS Towns
			\$ 200.00	4191-610	Planning Comm. Mat & Supplies
			\$ 1,793.00	4192-610	Zoning Comm. Mat. & Supplies
			\$ 252.00	4193-610	ZBA-Materials & Supplies
			\$ 120.00	4196-110	PBC-Salaries
			\$ 49.00	4196-610	PBC-Materials & Supplies

			\$ 275.00	4197-610	Gen. Land Use- Mat. & Supplies
			\$ 129.00	4199-610	Comm of Youth
			\$ 150.00	4225-610	Fire Marshall-Mat & Supplies
			\$ 270.00	4290-610	Emergency Plan-Mat & Supplies
			\$ 220.00	4420-610	Inland Wetlands-Mat & Supplies
			\$ 60.00	4430-610	WPCA-Materials & Supplies
			\$ 750.00	4440-350-10	Social Services-WeCAHR
			\$ 116.00	4440-610	Social Services-Mat & Supplies
			\$ 156.00	4460-110	BPAC-Salaries
			\$ 125.00	4470-610	Comm. On Aging-Mat. & Supp.
			\$ 979.00	4550-640	Library-Books & Materials
			\$ 1,875.00	4151-336	BOF-Town Audit
			<b>\$20,000.00</b>		

**Personnel Report**

Ron Oliveri made a motion to approve the Personnel Report as presented. John Hodge seconded the motion.

**Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)**

**Memo of Agreement- Spending Plan for DEMHS Region 5**

John Hodge made a motion that the Board of Selectman approve the first selectman signing the attached agreement which reads “WHEREAS, the Department of Emergency Management and Homeland Security (“DEMHS”) is the designated recipient and State Administrative Agency (“SAA”) of the United States Department of Homeland Security for grants awarded beginning in Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2004, up to the present time;

WHEREAS, the Coordinating RPO, Council of Governments of the Central Naugatuck Valley, has agreed to operate as the fiscal agent for the federal Homeland Security grants awarded to DEMHS Region 5 for Federal Fiscal Year 2007;

WHEREAS, the Town of New Fairfield (“Town”) has agreed to operate as the custodial owner of the asset(s) described in Appendix A, on behalf of the Town, the region, and if necessary , the State;

WHEREAS, the DEMHS Region 5 Regional Emergency Planning Team (“REPT”) has been established to foster regional collaboration and mutual aid through, among other things, collaborative plan for development, resource sharing, and coordination;

THEREFORE, DEMHS, the DEMHS Region 5 REPT, the Coordinating RPO, and the Town of New Fairfield, enter into this Memorandum of Agreement (“MOA”) regarding the assets(s) described in Appendix A.

Tom Corbett seconded the motion.

**Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)**

**Acceptance of gift for Senior Center**

John Hodge made a motion to accept the gift of \$1,000 from the Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd for the Senior Center. Tom Corbett seconded the motion.

**Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)**

All three selectmen thanked the Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd for their generous donation.

**General Discussion: Items brought up by selectmen for future agendas**

First Selectman John Hodge noted that there will be a Public Hearing regarding the Emergency Radio Communication System on Thursday, March 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm in the High School library.

**Adjournment**

John Hodge made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 pm. Ron Oliveri seconded the motion.

**Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)**