

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

**MINUTES
Board of Selectmen Regular Meeting
Thursday, October 8, 2009
7:30 PM
Community Room**

Members present:

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

Other Town Officials Present:

Joe Hart, BOF Chairman

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

Pledge of Allegiance- Tiger Cubs from Cub Scout Pack 142 led the Pledge of Allegiance

Correspondence and Announcements

First Selectman John Hodge spoke of a Selectmen's meeting in December 2008 where the selectmen unanimously endorsed the radio project that was about to go to a referendum. Shortly thereafter, a complaint was filed with the State Elections Commission accusing the selectmen of misusing Channel 17 to express a particular view. Mr. Hodge noted that he just received notice that the entire complaint was dismissed by the State Elections Commission.

First Selectman Hodge spoke of a complaint to the Department of Economic and Community Development that the Senior Center was being misused and that proper tracking of the funding of the Senior Center was not done. DECD sent auditors to investigate and found absolutely no problems. This report is available in the Selectman's office if anyone would like to see it.

First Selectman Hodge noted that on Tuesday, October 13th the first federal stimulus package project in the area will start. This project is to create a commuter parking lot at Company A Firehouse.

First Selectman Hodge noted that the Muskett Ridge Bridge will be coming soon.

First Selectman Hodge noted that New Fairfield has been awarded a \$250,000 STEAP Grant to help offset expenses related to the Emergency Radio Communications project.

First Selectman Hodge noted that the town has taken in approximately \$260,000 in grants since the last BOS meeting.

Public Comment- None

Approval of Minutes

Ron Oliveri made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 10, 2009 regular meeting as presented. Tom Corbett seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)

Vote to set Town Meeting date

First Selectman Hodge thanked the Friends of the Seniors and the Candlewood Lions Club for their generous donations for the Senior Center. Mr. Hodge further spoke of a grant for car safety exhibit. These grants and gifts must be approved at a Town Meeting.

John Hodge made a motion to approve a Town Meeting date for Thursday, October 22, 2009 at 7:00pm in the Community Room for the following purposes:

1. To consider and act upon a proposed resolution to accept a gift of \$7,059 from the Friends of the Seniors and \$1,000 from the Candlewood Lions Club totaling \$8,059 for the Senior Center
2. To consider and act upon a proposed resolution to accept a CT Jag Local Pass through Grant in the amount of \$9,100 for car seat safety exhibit.
3. To consider and act upon the authorization to return \$74,500 to the General Fund for architectural fees for the Senior Center.

Ron Oliveri seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)

Mr. Hodge spoke of architectural fees for the Senior Center in the amount of \$74,500. As of September 30th the Senior Center has a remaining balance of \$90,662.98. The Town Meeting vote is to return \$74,500 of the \$90,662.98 back to the General Fund.

Discussion of setting a Town Meeting date to authorize an additional appropriation to cover Board of Finance legal shortfalls

John Hodge noted that he would like to postpone this item until more information is received.

Vote to authorize the first selectman to sign a third addendum for site access between the Town of New Fairfield and Exxon Mobil

John Hodge made a motion to authorize the first selectman to sign a third addendum for site access between the Town of New Fairfield and Exxon Mobil. Ron Oliveri seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)

Personnel report

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

Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)

Budget Transfers

John Hodge made a motion to approve the following Intra-Departmental transfer. (Such document to be attached to the minutes of this meeting). Ron Oliveri seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)

\$'s	To Account #		\$'s	From Account #	
\$8,996.04	4310-110	Public Works Salaries	\$8,996.04	4160-140	Unclass. P&B-Salary Adj.
\$35,604.45	4310-423	PW-Contracted Salaries	\$27,604.45	4310-110	PW-Salaries
			\$8,000.00	4310-610-1	PW-B&G Mat. & Supplies
\$ 44,600.49			\$ 44,600.49		

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

Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)

\$'s	To Account #		\$'s	From Account #	
\$1,658.50	4154-331	Tax Coll.-Delinq. Tax Fees	\$2,149.99	4160-260	Unclass. P&B-Workers Comp.
\$21.00	4155-610	BOAA-Materials & Supplies			
\$131.80	4196-110	PBC-Salaries			
\$73.26	4240-110	Building Inspector-Salaries			
\$194.00	4440-110	Social Services-Salaries			
\$71.43	4440-610	Social Services-Mat. & Supplies			
\$5,277.30	4900-304	Fire Co. Reserve	\$1,930.18	4220-290	Fire Co.'s -Physicals
			\$504.86	4220-430-1	Fire Co.'s Maint & Repair
			\$22.26	4220-610-1	Fire Co.'s Supplies & Equip
			\$646.50	4220-610-5	Fire Co.'s Portable Equipment
			\$469.62	4220-630	Fire. Co.'s Technology
			\$1,703.88	4220-740-20	Fire Co.'s-Dry Hydrants
\$ 7,427.29			\$7,427.29		

Appointments

None

Public Comment

Susan Chapman spoke of the proposed “car seat” trailer and noted that it was a great idea.

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

First Selectman Hodge spoke of discussion held at a recent BOF meeting regarding bartering of goods and services. Mr. Hodge noted that no barterers have occurred to date. BOF Chairman Joe Hart asked questions of the board regarding the bartering.

Adjournment

Ron Oliveri made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:11 pm. Tom Corbett seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)