

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

MINUTES
Board of Selectmen Regular Meeting
Thursday, January 28, 2010
7:30 PM
Community Room

Members present:

John Hodge, First Selectman
Susan Chapman, Selectman
Monika Thiel, Selectman

Other Town Officials Present:

Jay Waterman, Finance Director
Ed Sbordone, Accounting Manager
Al Mardis, BOF Member

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 spoke of a bill proposed by State Representative Mary Ann Carson which would require DEP to look into the size of boats used on Candlewood Lake. This bill resulted in DEP agreeing having an officer on the lake all summer.

Public Comment- None

Approval of Minutes

John Hodge made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 14, 2010 regular meeting and the special meetings of January 7, 2010 and January 20, 2010. Monika Thiel seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)

Boy Scout Presentation

Selectman Susan Chapman presented Boy Scout Troop 42 with a proclamation for the 100th Anniversary of Scouting. Members of Boy Scout Troop 42 thanked the town for all its support.

Proclamation-“National Wear Red Day”

Selectman Monika Thiel read a proclamation for “National Wear Red Day” which proclaims February 5, 2010 as “National Wear Red for Women” Day to promote awareness of Heart Disease in women.

Appointments

John Hodge made a motion to appoint Selectman Susan Chapman as an alternate to HVCEO. Monika Thiel seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)

Budget Transfers- None

Discussion of 2010-2011 Budget

First Selectman John Hodge spoke of the Board of Selectmen Recommended budget for 2010-2011. The total of the recommended budget is \$9,713,805 which represents a .34% increase from the 2009-2010 budget. Mr. Hodge noted that the BOS will formally present their recommended budget to the BOF on Saturday, March 6th.

First Selectman Hodge thanked his fellow selectmen for all their hard work during this budget process. All three selectmen thanked the entire Finance Department for all their work.

Addition to agenda

John Hodge made a motion to add to tonight's agenda item #9A "Vote to endorse the BOS proposed budget." Susan Chapman seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)

Vote on BOS Recommended budget for 2010-2011

John Hodge made a motion to accept the 2010-2011 BOS Recommended budget for 2010-2011 with an increase of .34% from the 2009-2010 budget. Susan Chapman seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)

Discuss Building Report

First Selectman Hodge spoke of a "Building Report" done in 2000 where engineers and architects went through the town buildings and gave suggestions about repairs. This "Building Report" shows that all these projects have been done with the exception of the repairs to the library since the library will be renovated soon.

Public Comment

Selectman Susan Chapman presented First Selectman John Hodge with a quilt on behalf of the Community Service Club. First Selectman Hodge thanked everyone for all their "Get Well" wishes.

BOF member Al Mardis spoke of the proposed BOS Recommended budget and also spoke of the Capital and Nonrecurring budget for the Board of Education.

General Discussion: Items to be brought up by selectmen for future agendas- None

Adjournment

Susan Chapman made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:08 pm. Monika Thiel seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)

Respectfully submitted,

Suzanne Kloos