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

# MINUTES (REVISED)

Board of Selectmen Regular Meeting Thursday, June 9, 2016 7:30 PM

# Community Room at 33 Route 37

Members present:

Other Town Officials Present:

Susan Chapman, First Selectman Mike Gill, Selectman Kim Hanson, Selectman Ed Sbordone, Accounting Manager/BOE member John Hodge, BOF member and CLA member

Faline Schneiderman, President, Preserve New Fairfield, Inc.

Call To Order First Selectman Susan Chapman called the meeting to order at 7:30pm

#### **Pledge of Allegiance**

Correspondence and Announcements-First Selectman Susan Chapman reported on the following:

- A Public Hearing was held immediately prior to this meeting. It was an information meeting about putting carp in Squantz Pond.
- A lot of Town Boards and Commissions are in need of volunteers. Anyone interested should contact the Selectmen's office.
- Thanked Ken Hall from Public Works for the new sign for the Community Room.

#### **Public Comment-** None

#### **Approval of Minutes**

Susan Chapman made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 12, 2016 regular meeting and the special meetings of May 25, 2016 and June 2, 2016, as presented. Mike Gill seconded the motion.

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

#### **Budget Transfers**

Susan Chapman made a motion to approve the following Intra-Departmental transfer in the amount of \$750.00. Mike Gill seconded the motion. (Such document to be attached to the minutes of this meeting)

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

\$	Transfer		\$	Transfer	
	То			From	
\$750.00	4110-610	Materials & Supplies	\$750.00	4110-110	Salaries
\$750.00			\$750.00		

BOS- Minutes 06/09/16 Page 1 of 4 3 pages Transfer sheet Susan Chapman made a motion to approve the following Intra-Departmental transfer in the amount of \$18,588.00. Kim Hanson seconded the motion. (Such document to be attached to the minutes of this meeting)

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

\$	Transfer		\$	Transfer	
	То			From	
\$1,400.00	4140-110	Registrars of Voters- Salaries	\$1,400.00	4140-610	Registrars of Voters-M&S
\$6,000.00	4210-130	Police-Overtime	\$2,000.00	4210-110	Police-Salaries
			\$2,000.00	4210-110-2	Police-Crossing Guards
			\$2,000.00	4210-110-3	Police-T-Days/Vacation
\$10,688.00	4220-610	Fire Co.'s Dept M & S	\$7,000.00	4220-430-1	Fire Co.'s-Maintenance and Repairs
			\$2,688.00	4220-290	Fire Co Physical
			\$1,000.00	4220-610-5	Fire Co- Portable Equipment
\$500.00	4220-740-2	Fire Co.'s –Dry Hydrants	\$500.00	4220-610-5	Fire Co.'s Portable Equipment
\$18,588.00			\$18,588.00		

Susan Chapman made a motion to approve the following Inter-Departmental transfer in the amount of \$6,200.00. Kim Hanson seconded the motion. (Such document to be attached to the minutes of this meeting)

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

\$	Transfer To		\$	Transfer From	
\$6,200.00	301-4164- 740-1	Cap & Non-Business Machines	\$3,100.00	4450-110	Senior Services-Salaried
			\$3,100.00	4450-810	Senior Services-Programs
\$6,200.00			\$6,200.00		

#### **Personnel Report**

Susan Chapman made a motion to approve the Personnel Report dated June 9, 2016 as presented. Mike Gill seconded the motion.

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

#### **Appointments**

Susan Chapman made a motion to reappoint Janet Loya, Maureen Salerno and Julia MacMillan to the Commission on the Aging. Mike Gill seconded the motion.

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

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#### Historic Restoration Grant Presentation given by Preserve New Fairfield

Preserve New Fairfield President Faline Schneiderman spoke of a grant for two historic houses. Since the town owns these two houses, Preserve New Fairfield, Inc. is asking that the town add an additional five years to the preservation easement. This is a rolling grant with no deadline. A letter from the Town Attorney modifying the lease would be required. It was decided that First Selectman Susan Chapman will review this with the Town Attorney and will put it on the agenda for the next regular BOS meeting on June  $23^{rd}$ . There was a discussion of whether or not a Town Meeting would be required for this lease.

#### Vote to authorize CLA to purchase fuel at the Town of New Fairfield negotiated price

Candlewood Lake Authority member John Hodge spoke of the possibility of CLA piggybacking on the Town's agreement with Mitchell Fuel Oil to buy fuel at the Town's locked in price. Currently, the Town is locked in for 10,000 gallons but Mitchell has agreed to extend this for another 3,400 gallons which is the amount that CLA used. It is estimated that this will save CLA approximately \$2,500 to \$3,000 per year. Selectman Mike Gill asked about the possibility of also including Marine 1 from the Fire Department in this agreement. It was decided to ask Mitchell Oil and Echo Bay to lock in an additional 600 gallons for Marine 1.

Susan Chapman made a motion to authorize the Town's Purchasing Agent to increase the total gasoline purchase/usage from 10,000 gallons per year up to 14,000 gallons per year at a purchase price of \$1.77 per gallon for the purpose of providing the Candlewood Lake Authority and the New Fairfield Fire Dept. (Marine 1) fuel for the lake during the 2016-2017 fiscal year contingent on agreement from Mitchell Oil and Echo Bay Marina and CLA agreeing to reimburse the Town and forwarding monthly usage to the Town. Kim Hanson seconded the motion.

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

## Vote to approve up to \$750 to be used by CLA for Blue-green Toxin testing

Candlewood Lake Authority member John Hodge spoke of Blue Green Toxin testing that is needed on Candlewood Lake. Last year, approximately 12 tests were done. According to State Regulations, as soon as Blue Green Algae is spotted, the beach must be closed until the tests results come back. The results for these tests usually take about 5 days. Mr. Hodge spoke of a program that the CLA has worked out in conjunction with Western Connecticut State University that would give test results in one day thus decreasing the amount of time that the beach must close. Mr. Hodge requested \$750 from the Town for this program.

Kim Hanson made a motion to approve up to \$750 for Candlewood Lake Authority for Blue Green Toxin testing. Susan Chapman seconded the motion.

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

#### **Approval for funding for ICE Grant**

First Selectman Susan Chapman spoke of a letter that she received from CLA asking for money for a boat. However, in the CLA minutes from June 8, 2016, it was noted that CLA already had the money for this boat. John Hodge noted that this boat must be ordered by the Town of Sherman and suggested that New Fairfield give their share of this purchase once the boat is purchased make the check out to the Town of Sherman.

Susan Chapman made a motion to encumber \$5,418 out of the Candlewood Lake Authority Administration line towards the Ice Grant. Mike Gill seconded the motion.

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

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### **Vote to participate in CCM Energy Purchasing program**

Susan Chapman spoke of an agreement with CCM that will look for better energy prices with no obligation to purchase. There was a discussion of the part of the contract that says that CCM would be exclusive to negotiate. It was decided to get more information on this.

Susan Chapman made a motion to table this until the next meeting. Mike Gill seconded the motion.

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

#### **Town Meeting Warning**

Susan Chapman made a motion to approve the following Warning for a Town Meeting: Notice is hereby given to the electors of the Town of New Fairfield and those entitled to vote at Town Meetings that a Town Meeting will be held on Thursday, June 23, 2016 at 7:00 P.M. in the Community Room at 33 Route 37 for the following purpose to wit:

- 1. To consider and take action upon the acceptance of the Emergency Management Performance Grant in the amount of \$7,072.50. The aim of this funding is to assist the community in maintaining a robust local emergency management program.
- 2. To consider and take action upon the acceptance of Connecticut's Public Workplace EV Charging Station Incentive Program in the amount of up to \$10,000.00. These funds will be used to purchase and install one dual dead charging station at 4 Brush Hill Road in New Fairfield.
- 3. To consider and take action upon the acceptance of the 2016 Small Town Economic Assistance Program (STEAP) in the amount of \$499,960.75. These funds will be used to begin the construction of Pedestrian Walkways.
- 4. To consider and take action upon the acceptance of 2016 DEEP Recycling Rewards Incentive Grant in the amount of \$6,930.00. These funds open the opportunity to seed a new organics program.
- 5. To consider and take action upon the acceptance of FirstLight Power and GDF Suez Housatonic River Project Fund in the amount of \$4,920.75. These funds will be used towards the Squantz Pond Grass Carp program.

Dated at New Fairfield, CT this 9th day of June 2016. Kim Hanson seconded the motion.

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

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

Mike Gill asked for an update from the Police Committee. It was noted that they will meet sometime this summer and will report to back at the first BOS meeting in September.

Mike Gill asked about the Creamery. First Selectman Susan Chapman noted that the RFP will go out to bid in about 2 weeks.

## **Adjournment**

Kim Hanson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:32pm. Susan Chapman seconded the motion.

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

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