

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

MINUTES  
**Board of Selectmen Regular Meeting**  
**Thursday, February 11, 2016**  
**7:30 PM**  
**Community Room at 33 Route 37**

**Members present:**

Susan Chapman, First Selectman  
Mike Gill, Selectman  
Kim Hanson, Selectman

**Other Town Officials Present:**

Ed Sbordone, Accounting Manager/BOE member

**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 noted that State Senator Michael McLachlan and State Representative Richard Smith will attend a Town Meeting at the Community Room on Tuesday, February 16<sup>th</sup> to give an update and answer questions about the legislative session.

First Selectman Susan Chapman announced New Fairfield has been selected to receive a STEAP Grant in the amount of \$499,960.75 for sidewalks in the center of town.

**Public Comment**

Tom Nicholosen spoke of concerns that he had for the proposed affordable housing project in New Fairfield and specifically spoke of Connecticut State Statute 830G.

**Approval of Minutes**

Susan Chapman made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 28, 2016 regular meeting and the special meetings of February 2, 2016 and February 5, 2016 as presented. Kim Hanson seconded the motion.

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

**Budget Transfers**

Susan Chapman made a motion to approve a budget transfer in the amount of \$3,152.71 from the Library Update Phone back to the Building Repair Reserve Fund. Mike Gill seconded the motion.

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

**Budget Transfers (con't)**

Susan Chapman made a motion to approve the following Intra-Departmental transfer in the amount of \$23,000.00. (Such document to be attached to the minutes of this meeting.) Kim Hanson seconded the motion.

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

\$	Transfer To		\$	Transfer From	
\$1,000.00	4160-580	Unclass P & B- Mileage Reimburse	\$3,000.00	4160-260	Unclass P & B-Workers Comp.
\$2,000.00	4160-130	Unclass P & B-OT Contingency			
\$20,000.00	4161-332-4	Prof. Services-Legal General/Other	\$2,000.00	4160-332-1	Prof. Services-Legal-Land
			\$1,000.00	4160-332-2	Prof. Services- Legal-Tax
			\$2,000.00	4160-332-3	Prof. Services-Legal-Labor
			\$1,000.00	4160-332-5	Prof. Services-Legal-Health
			\$3,000.00	4160-332-6	Prof. Services-Legal-Planning
			\$4,000.00	4160-332-7	Prof. Services-Legal-Zoning
			\$4,000.00	4160-332-8	Prof. Services-Legal-ZBA
			\$3,000.00	4160-332-9	Prof. Services-Legal-In/Wetlands
<b>\$23,000.00</b>			<b>\$23,000.00</b>		

**Personnel Report**

Susan Chapman made a motion to approve the Personnel Report dated February 11, 2016 as presented. Mike Gill seconded the motion.

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

**Appointments**- None

**Discussion and vote to approve donations**

Susan Chapman made a motion to approve the following donations for the New Fairfield Food Pantry, Fuel Bank and Social Services Fund in the total amount of \$7,769.00. Mike Gill seconded the motion.

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

Amount	Will be used toward	From
\$1,531.00	Fuel	Anonymous
\$2,550.00	Social Services	Anonymous
\$3,000.00	Social Services	New Fairfield Thrift Shop
\$ 688.00	Food Pantry	Anonymous

The Board of Selectmen thanked everyone who made donations.

**Discussion and vote to approve proposed Board of Selectmen 2016-2017 budget**

Susan Chapman made a motion to approve the Board of Selectmen 2016-2017 budget as presented. Mike Gill seconded the motion.

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

The board discussed the 2016-2017 BOS budget and noted that it totals \$11,161,734.00 which represents an overall increase of 5.56% over the 2015-2016 budget. This amount is inclusive of the Capital and Nonrecurring budget. It was noted that the original proposed BOS budget represented an increase of over 13% but with many cuts it was brought down to 5.56%. It was noted that this increase also includes adjustments necessary due to the increase in the State Police costs.

The budget will be presented to the Board of Finance on Saturday, March 5<sup>th</sup>.

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

None

**Adjournment**

Kim Hanson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:43pm. Susan Chapman seconded the motion.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Suzanne Kloos