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

#### <u>MINUTES</u> Board of Selectmen Regular Meeting Thursday, February 23, 2017 7:30 PM Community Room at 33 Route 37

Members present: Susan Chapman, First Selectman Mike Gill, Selectman Members not present: Kim Hanson, Selectman *Other Town Officials Present:* Ed Sbordone, Account Manager

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

#### **Pledge of Allegiance**

#### **Change in Agenda**

Susan Chapman made a motion to move Agenda item #10 "Proclamation" to Agenda Item #3A. Mike Gill seconded the motion. **Vote: 2-0-0 (Motion approved)** 

#### **Correspondence and Announcements**

Susan Chapman announced that the BOS has approved a budget of \$10,949,556 which represents a \$75,891 (.69%) decrease over the 2016-2017 budget. This will be presented to the Board of Finance on Saturday, March 4<sup>th</sup> at 9am.

#### **Proclamation**

First Selectman Susan Chapman presented a Proclamation to Heather Maslin in honor or Aplastic Anemia Awareness Week in memory of her daughter, Julia Maslin.

Heather Maslin thanked everyone and noted that more information can be found at Operation Wear Red.org and Julia's Wings.org

#### **Public Comment**

Jim McAllister and Bob Stryker spoke in opposition of the proposed plan to put chemicals in Candlewood Lake for Eurasian milfoil remediation. This opposition was regarding the chemicals proposed and the process taken.

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## **Approval of Minutes**

Susan Chapman made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular BOS meeting of February 9, 2017 and the BOS special meetings of February 13<sup>th</sup> and February 21<sup>st</sup>, 2017. Mike Gill seconded the motion.

## Vote: 2-0-0 (Motion approved)

## **Budget Transfers**

Susan Chapman made a motion to approve the following Inter-Departmental transfer in the amount of \$6,000.00. Mike Gill seconded the motion. (Such document to be attached to the minutes of this meeting)

## Vote: 2-0-0 (Motion approved)

\$	Transfer		\$	Transfer	
	То			From	
\$2,000.00	4110-110	BOS Salaries	\$6,000.00	4160-260	Unclass P & B Workers
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\$2,000.00	4110-330				
\$1,000.00	4191-110				
\$500.00	4192-110				
\$500.00	4196-110				
\$6,000.00			\$6,000.00		

# Personnel Report- None

## Appointments- None

## Donations- None

## Fair Housing Resolution

Susan Chapman made a motion to approve the following Fair Housing Resolution:

- Whereas, All persons are afforded a right to full and equal housing opportunities in the neighborhood of their choice; and
- Whereas, Federal fair housing laws require that all individuals, regardless of race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status or national origin, be given equal access to all housing-related opportunities, including rental and homeownership opportunities, and be allowed to make free choices regarding housing location; and
- Whereas, Connecticut fair housing laws require that all individuals, regardless of race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, sex, marital status, age, lawful source of income,

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Whereas, The Town of New Fairfield is committed to upholding these laws, and realizes that these laws must be supplemented by an Affirmative Statement publicly endorsing the right of all people to full and equal housing opportunities in the neighborhood of their choice.

#### NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOVED,

That the Town of New Fairfield hereby endorses a Fair Housing Policy to ensure equal opportunity for all persons to rent, purchase, obtain financing and enjoy all other housing-related services of their choice on a non-discriminatory basis as provided by state and federal law; and

## **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,**

That the chief executive officer of the Town of New Fairfield or his/her designated representative is responsible for responding to and assisting any person who alleges to be the victim of an illegal discriminatory housing practice in the Town of New Fairfield and for advising such person of the right to file a complaint with the State of Connecticut Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities (CHRO) or the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) or to seek assistance from the CT Fair Housing Center, legal services, or other fair housing organizations to protect his or her right to equal housing opportunities.

Adopted by the TOWN OF NEW FAIRFIELD in the month of February, 2017

Mike Gill seconded the motion. Vote: 2-0-0 (Motion approved)

<u>General Discussion: Items to be brought up by Selectmen for future agenda</u> The Public Hearing regarding the Candlewood Lake proposal will be held on Thursday, March  $2^{nd}$  at 7:00pm at Meeting House Hill School.

## **Adjournment**

Mike Gill made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:51pm. Susan Chapman seconded the motion.

#### Vote: 2-0-0 (Motion approved)

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