

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

MINUTES
Board of Selectmen Regular Meeting
Thursday, March 23, 2017
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
John Hodge, BOF 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 spoke of the proposal with Solitude to remediate the milfoil problem in Candlewood Lake and noted that no contract has been signed to date. She noted that additional carp will be put in the lake. She further noted that she will be meeting with both DEEP and the CLA in the near future.

First Selectman Susan Chapman noted that the BOS meeting of April 13th will be postponed to a later date.

Public Comment

Many residents spoke of the proposal with Solitude and asked the BOS to work with the other towns surrounding the lake to come up with a solution to remediate the milfoil. These residents further noted their opposition to chemicals in the lake. Other residents gave suggestions regarding this problem including the possibility of doing a test with chemicals in the cove at Sail Harbor.

Kim Hanson made a motion to take a brief recess at 7:50pm. Mike Gill seconded the motion.
Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved). The Board came back at 7:55pm.

Approval of Minutes

Kim Hanson made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 9, 2017 regular meeting 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-Department transfer in the amount of \$42,000.00 (Such document to be attached to the minutes of this meeting). Kim Hanson seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)

\$	Transfer From		\$	Transfer To	
\$30,000.00	4310-110	Public Works-Salaries	\$20,000.00	4310-610-3	Public Works- Snow Materials & Supplies
			\$10,000.00	4310-130	Public Works-Overtime (Additional Storms)
\$12,000.00	4210-110	Police-Salaries	\$10,000.00	4210-130-1	Police-Overtime
			\$2,000.00	4210-130-4	Police-Training Overtime (Increased activity)
\$42,000.00				\$42,000.00	

Personnel Report

Susan Chapman made motion to approve item #1 on the Personnel Report. Mike Gill seconded the motion. **Vote: 2-0-1 (Motion approved- Susan Chapman abstained)**

Susan Chapman made a motion to approve items #2-22 on the Personnel Report. Kim Hanson seconded the motion. **Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)**

Appointments

Susan Chapman made a motion to appoint Claire Luks as an Alternate the Youth Commission. Mike Gill seconded the motion. **Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)**

Vote to all the First Selectman to lock in fuel rates for the fiscal year July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018

Susan Chapman made a motion to lock in the fuel rates for the fiscal year July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018 for a rate not to exceed the budgeted amount. Mike Gill seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)

Vote to approve the paramedic contract

Susan Chapman made a motion to authorize the First Selectman to sign the contract with Danbury Hospital. Kim Hanson seconded the motion.

Mike Gill made a motion to amend the previous motion to strike the part of the contract that reads “This agreement is subject to satisfactory completion of work for two additional years” and replace it with “The Town, at its sole option, may extend this agreement for two additional one year (1) periods.” Kim Hanson seconded the motion.

Vote to amend motion: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)

Vote on original motion as approved: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)

Executive Session to discuss personnel matter

Susan Chapman made a motion to go into Executive Session at 8:18 pm to discuss a personnel matter. Kim Hanson seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)

Susan Chapman made a motion to come out of Executive Session at 8:23 pm. Kim Hanson seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)

Susan Chapman made a motion to authorize the First Selectman to sign the separation agreement as presented. Mike Gill seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)

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

The BOS meeting on April 13th will be cancelled.

Kim Hanson spoke of the proposal for the milfoil remediation in the lake and noted that he believes that a test with chemicals is a wise course of action. He further encouraged everyone around the lake to be mindful of any chemicals used in fertilizers around lake front property that could go into the lake.

Adjournment

Mike Gill made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:26pm. Kim Hanson seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)

Respectfully submitted,