

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

**MINUTES**  
**Board of Selectmen Regular Meeting**  
**Thursday, November 14, 2019**  
**7:30 PM**  
**Community Room at 33 Route 37**

**REVISED**

**Members present:**

Pat Del Monaco, First Selectman  
Khris Hall, Selectman  
Kim Hanson, Selectman

**Other Town Officials Present:**

Ed Sbordone, Finance Director  
Bruce Taylor, Fire Chief  
Various members of the New Fairfield Fire Dept.

**Call To Order** First Selectman Pat Del Monaco called the meeting to order at 7:30pm

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Public Comment**-None

**Correspondence and Announcements**

First Selectman Pat Del Monaco announced that the following events will be held in the near future:

- Saturday, November 16th at 10am- The Commission on the Aging will be holding a community forum for Senior Citizens called "Planning of today and tomorrow."
- Invited residents to sign up for the Great Light Holiday Fight.
- The Turkey Run will be held on November 24<sup>th</sup>.
- The Holiday Light parade will be held on Saturday, November 30<sup>th</sup> with a rain date of Sunday, December 1<sup>st</sup>.

Selectman Khris Hall clarified a comment that she made during the election debate regarding the Treasurer position in town and specifically former Treasurer Phil Cammarano. She apologized to everyone and especially the Cammarano family for the misinterpretation.

**Approval of Minutes**

Kim Hanson made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 24, 2019 regular meeting as presented. Khris Hall seconded the motion. **Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)**

**Budget Transfers**

Pat Del Monaco made a motion to approve the Intra Departmental transfer in the amount of \$71,887.50. Khris Hall seconded the motion. **Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)**

\$	Transfer From		\$	Transfer To	
\$6750.00	4153-337	Assessor-GIS & Audits- Personal Property	\$6750.00	4153-110	Assessor- Salaries
\$5000.00	4160-260	Unclassified P&B-Workers Compensation	\$5,000.00	4160-130	Unclassified P & B-Overtime Contingency
\$20,000.00	4310-110	Public Works-Salaries	\$20,000.00	4310-112	Public Works-Town Engineer
\$40,137.50	4295-110	Animal Control Salaries	\$40,137.50	4295-610	Animal Control-Materials and Supplies
<b>\$71,887.50</b>			<b>\$71,887.50</b>		

Pat Del Monaco made a motion approve the transfer of \$5,000.00 from Building Repair Reserve fund to Public Works Front Door. Khris Hall seconded the motion. **Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)**

**Personnel Report**

Pat Del Monaco made a motion to approve the Personnel Report dated November 14, 2019 as presented. Khris Hall seconded the motion. **Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)**

**Appointments**- None

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Discussion and vote to approve request from Company A and the Fire Department to access funds in the Fire Department Reserve Fund for the purchase of Tanker 7**

Fire Chief Bruce Taylor spoke of the purchase of Tanker 7 and noted that they plan to sell the old vehicle.

Pat Del Monaco made a motion to approve the request from the Fire Department to access funds in the Fire Department Reserve Fund for the purchase of Tanker 7 with \$353,600 from the reserve fund and the remaining 15% being paid for by Company A Fire Department. Kim Hanson seconded the motion. **Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)**

**Discuss and possibly vote to recommend the School Construction project to the Planning Commission for 8-24 referral**

Pat Del Monaco made a motion to recommend the School Construction project to the Planning Commission for 8-24 referral. Khris Hall seconded the motion. **Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)**

Selectman Kim Hanson asked about the timeline for the referral.

**Economic Development Commission Annual report**

Myke Fuhman from the Economic Development Commission gave a brief overview of what the commission has accomplished since its inception in April of 2019. The main initiative of the commission has been a community survey which has yielded over 500 responses to date. They are

continuing community outreach by attending realtor events and holding a Happy Hour at the 440 Line Restaurant on Thursday, November 21<sup>st</sup> to get area business owners together. Their goals for 2020 are to increase collaboration with area towns, increase marketing efforts and advertisements, and to streamline Town approvals and regulations. Selectman Kim Hanson asked the committee to consider how results from initiatives are tracked.

**FEMA update**

Pat Del Monaco noted that \$1.9 million from FEMA was received today as reimbursement from the May 15, 2018 storm. The total received from FEMA to date is \$1,997,861.30. Administrative costs in the amount of \$133,190.75 are yet to be received. The total reimbursed is approximately \$2.1 million which amounts of 84% of the total expenses from the storm. Selectman Khris Hall noted that this money goes back into the general fund and will be available for any future emergencies that may arise.

**Public Comment**- Bob Jano reminded resident of a Town ordinance that requires homeowners to have their address visible on their house. He noted that this is very important in case the fire department or ambulance needs to find houses in an emergency.

**Adjournment**

Kim Hanson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 pm. Pat Del Monaco seconded the motion.

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