

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

**MINUTES**  
**Board of Selectmen Regular Meeting**  
**Thursday, April 23, 2020**  
**7:30 PM**  
**Virtual meeting via Zoom**

**Members present:**

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

**Other Town Officials Present:**

Ed Sbordone, Finance Director and Town Treasurer  
Myke Furhman, Economic Development Commission

Paul Gouveia gave a brief overview of the rules and procedures for having a virtual meeting.

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

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Public Comment**

Monika Thiel spoke of communication that she sent to the BOS, BOF, PBC and the Planning Commission regarding concerns that she had that legal notices were not followed by the Planning Commission for the 8-24 referral for the purchase of 78 Gillotti Road.

Pat Del Monaco responded to Ms. Thiel and noted that the 8-24 referral does not require a hearing and spoke of the role of the Planning Commission specifically regarding referrals.

Kim Hanson noted that the previous purchase that went before the Planning Commission took approximately three months and was rejected primarily because of the neighbors' input that were notified well in advance. He noted that the entire Planning Commission meeting on April 15<sup>th</sup> that gave the 8-24 referral was comprised of mostly plans regarding the project but didn't address how it fit into the Plan of Conservation and Development.

**Correspondence and Announcements**

Selectman Khris Hall thanked the many people in town who have stepped up to help during this pandemic.

Selectman Kim Hanson also thanked everyone in town for their help and especially praised First Selectman Pat Del Monaco for her work through this pandemic.

**Approval of Minutes**

Pat Del Monaco made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 13, 2020 special meeting as presented. Khris Hall seconded the motion. **Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)**

**Budget Transfers**

Pat Del Monaco made a motion to make the following Intra-Departmental budget transfer in the amount of \$45,000.00. Khris Hall seconded the motion. **Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)**

\$	Transfer From		\$	Transfer To	
\$7,000.00	4310/423.00	Public works- Equipment Lease	\$35,000.00	4310/423.00	Public Works-Contracted Services
\$4,000.00	4310/130.00	Public Works- Uniforms			
\$24,000.00	4310-0003/610.01	Public Works-Snow Materials and Supplies			
\$10,000.00	4161-008/332.01	Professional Services-Legal ZBA	\$10,000.00	4161- 004/332.01	Professional Services- General/Other
<b>\$45,000.00</b>			<b>\$45,000.00</b>		

**Personnel Report**- Pat Del Monaco made a motion to approve the Personnel report dated April 23, 2020 as presented. Khris Hall seconded the motion. **Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)**

**Appointments**- None

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Boat Dock Invoice**

Pat Del Monaco made a motion to approve the Boat Dock Invoice from Race Engineering in the amount of \$220.00. Khris Hall seconded the motion. **Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)**

**Economic Development Commission T-shirt fundraiser**

EDC Chairman Myke Fuhman spoke of a fundraiser selling t-shirts and canvas bags made by Godfather Productions and Bella Creations that can be purchased using a credit card or paypal. The proceeds from this fundraiser will be split among town businesses that are financially affected by COVID 19. He noted that each business must register and prove financial loss. The next meeting of the EDC will be held virtually on April 28 and other ideas for fundraisers will be discussed. Members of the BOS thanked the EDC for doing this fundraiser.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Coronavirus update**

Pat Del Monaco reminded everyone that there is an Executive Order that everyone is required to wear a mask in public. She spoke of how wearing a mask protects other people. There are 94 confirmed cases in New Fairfield and the numbers throughout the State are rising but the numbers of hospitalizations in Connecticut are decreasing. The State is increasing the testing that may make the numbers go up in the near future. The Governor has put together a reopening

advisory council and has worked with surrounding states for a regional plan. It is hopeful that there will be a plan in place by the end of May with reopening in June.

**Budget Update**

Pat Del Monaco noted that the BOF will meet virtually every Wednesday throughout the month of May to discuss the budget. According to the Governor's order, there will be no budget referendum this year and the Mil Rate will be adopted by the BOF. As a result, the BOF is especially encouraging public comment regarding the budget.

**Public Comment**- None

**Adjournment**

Pat Del Monaco made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:11 pm. Kim Hanson seconded the motion.

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