



BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING

Wednesday, November 7, 2007

7:30 p.m. or immediately following the Special Town Meeting
CJH Municipal Center – Meeting Room “A”

PRESENT: First Selectman Burke, Selectman Szatkowski and Selectman Wild.
Also in attendance was William Hagan, Town Attorney

Call to order/Pledge of Allegiance: First Selectman Burke called the Special Meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Correspondence: None that was not already on tonight’s agenda.

Public Comments: Stuart Carlsen, J. Philip Gallagher, Kitty Grant, Robert Legnard and Richard Merritt all congratulated First Selectman Burke and Selectman Szatkowski on their re-election and complimented Selectman Wild on his term as a member of the Board of Selectmen.

Minutes of October 16, 2007: Selectman Szatkowski made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Wild, to approve the minutes of October 16, 2007 as presented.

Minutes of November 5, 2007: Selectman Szatkowski made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Wild, to approve the minutes of November 5, 2007 as presented. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

New Business

1.) **Consideration of Tax Collector’s request for Tax Refund Authorization**

First Selectman Burke made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Szatkowski, to approve the Tax Collector’s request, dated November 6, 2007 to authorize Tax Refunds in the amount of \$10,419.36. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

2.) Consideration of request from Parks & Recreation – 8-24 Referral to Planning & Zoning Commission for Ice Skating Rink at Meckauer Park.

Eileen Earle, Director of Parks & Recreation was present at the meeting to explain that her department is looking forward to placing a 40'X 75' (temporary) ice skating rink at Meckauer Park. The depth of the rink holds about 4-6" of water. It will be placed near the volleyball court. Her department will create a level area to place the rink. As there is no lighting available, it is anticipated that the rink will be available for use on the weekends and perhaps school holidays.

First Selectman Burke made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Szatkowski that, in accord with the provisions of the Connecticut General Statutes 8-24 Mandatory Referral, to forward the request to the Planning & Zoning for their report. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

3.) Consideration of Resolution from State of Connecticut – Civil Union Certification

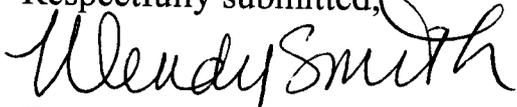
First Selectman Burke made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Szatkowski, that:

RESOLVED: That the Town of Bethel hereby adopts as its policy to support the nondiscrimination agreements and warranties required under Connecticut General Statutes § 4a-60(a)(1) and § 4a-60a(a)(1), as amended in State of Connecticut Public Act 07-245 and sections 9(a)(1) and 10(a)(1) of Public Act 07-142.

Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

As there was no further business on tonight's agenda, First Selectman Burke made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Szatkowski, to adjourn the meeting at 7:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Wendy Smith, Recording Secretary