



BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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Kevin L. Cleary, Selectman

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TOWN OF BETHEL
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MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

Wednesday, January 2, 2008
7:30 p.m.
CJH Municipal Center – Meeting Room “A”

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

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

Public Comments: None

Correspondence: None that did not relate to an agenda item.

Minutes of December 10, 2007: Selectman Szatkowski made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Cleary, to approve the minutes as presented. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

Minutes of December 18, 2007: Selectman Szatkowski made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Cleary, to approve the minutes as presented. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

First Selectman Report: First Selectman Burke advised that municipal construction projects are continuing. Municipal Center window replacement is well underway

New Business

- 1.) **Consideration of resolution – Bethel Health Department – Public Service Agreement for a Public Health Preparedness & Response Planning Grant**

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

*Resolved, that Laura L. Vasile, MPH RS Director of Health is authorized to make, execute and approve on behalf of this corporation, any and all contracts or amendments thereof with the State of Connecticut, Department of Public Health to enter into a Personal Service Agreement for Public Health Preparedness & Response Planning, Contract Log #2008-1063 in the amount of \$162,450, which includes \$81,225 for Year 1 and \$81,225 for Year 2 for contract period 8/31/2007 – 8/09/2009. *Said funds to be used for local public health jurisdictions' preparedness services to the Department of Public Health as directed in this contract agreement Pages 2-9 of 31 pages for All Hazards Public Health Planning to respond to all hazards – either natural or man made, outbreaks of infectious disease, other public health threats/emergencies, and accept from the State of Connecticut, Department of Public Health, a grant not to exceed \$162,450.*

Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

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

RESOLVED, That the Town of Bethel, Connecticut, 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.

2.) Consideration of appointments to the following boards and commissions

Planning and Zoning Alternate: First Selectman Burke made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Szatkowski, to appoint Donald Buonomo (R) to the Planning & Zoning Commission Alternate. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved. This position was formerly held by Christopher Bresloff who was elected to a full term. This term is subject to the next Municipal Election and expires on December 7, 2009.

Constables: First Selectman Burke made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Szatkowski, to re-appoint Robert Legnard (R), Tom Mason (R) and Richard Straiton (D) as Constables for the Town of Bethel. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved. Selectman Cleary questioned why M. Gote Gorranson was not re-appointed. First Selectman Burke advised that a letter of interest was received from Mr. Gorranson's daughter expressing interest in being appointed, and he wanted to speak with both the Gorransons prior to making any recommendation. These appointments expire January 2, 2010.

Library Board of Directors: First Selectman Burke made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Szatkowski, to appoint Shani M. Burke Specht (R) to the position formerly held by Jane Bickford (D) and John R. Cleary (R) to the position formerly held by Trisha Lewis (D).

Voting in favor of the motion: First Selectman Burke and Selectman Szatkowski. Voting against the motion: Selectman Cleary. Motion passed. Terms expire January 1, 2012.

Selectman Cleary made a motion, which was not seconded to re-appoint Jane Bickford and Trisha Lewis. Voting in favor of the motion: Selectman Cleary. Voting against the motion: First Selectman Burke and Selectman Szatkowski. Motion failed.

Public Site & Building Commission: First Selectman Burke advised that he would not be making any recommendations for appointment to this commission this evening.

Selectman Cleary made a motion, which was not seconded, to appoint Jeffrey Kenausis to the Public Site & Building Commission. Voting in favor of the motion: Selectman Cleary. Voting against the motion: First Selectman Burke and Selectman Szatkowski. Motion failed.

Ethics Commission: First Selectman Burke made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Szatkowski, to appoint Melanie O'Brien (R) to the Ethics Commission to fill the position formerly held by Heather Whalen (D). This term expires January 2, 2011. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

Youth Commission: First Selectman Burke made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Szatkowski, to appoint Kimberly Keough (R) to the Youth Commission to replace Terry Nackid (D) and to re-appoint Lisa Bergh (D). Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved. These terms expire January 2, 2010.

Selectman Cleary made a motion, which was not seconded to re-appoint Terry Nackid (D) to the Youth Commission. Voting in favor of the motion: Selectman Cleary. Voting against the motion: First Selectman Burke and Selectman Szatkowski. Motion failed.

Commission on Aging: First Selectman Burke made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Szatkowski, to appoint Barbara Negri (R) to the position formerly held by Shirley Dann (R). This term expires January 2, 2013. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

Economic Development Commission: First Selectman Burke made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Szatkowski, to re-appoint John "Jay" Streaman to the Economic Development Commission. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved. This term expires January 2, 2013.

Parks & Recreation Commission: First Selectman Burke made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Szatkowski, to re-appoint Meghan O'Connor (D) and Patrick Morton (D) and appoint William Pullan (R) to fill the position formerly held by Gary Coles (U). Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved. These terms expire January 2, 2012.

Public Utilities Commission: First Selectman Burke advised that he would not be making any recommendations for appointment to this commission this evening.

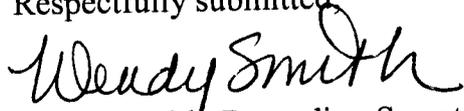
Selectman Cleary made a motion, which was not seconded to re-appoint Peter Valenti (D) to the Public Utilities Commission. Voting in favor of the motion: Selectman Cleary. Voting against the motion: First Selectman Burke and Selectman Szatkowski. Motion failed.

Housing Authority: First Selectman Burke made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Szatkowski, to appoint Gail Slifkin (R) to the Housing Authority position formerly held by Francis Novachek (R). Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved. This term expires January 2, 2013.

First Selectman Burke advised that the Inland Wetlands Commission (2 year) vacancy would not be addressed this evening.

Adjourn: As there was no further business on tonight's agenda, Selectman Szatkowski made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Cleary, to adjourn the meeting at 7:58 p.m. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,



Wendy Smith, Recording Secretary

Attachments: Recommendation letter from Democratic Town Committee
 Recommendation letter from Republican Town Committee