



BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, October 6, 2009

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.

First Selectman Burke made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Cleary, to add to tonight’s agenda, under Old Business, Item # 2) Consideration of reconvening the meeting for the Riley Ethic Complaint meeting. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

Selectman Szatkowski made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Cleary, to add to tonight’s agenda, under New Business, Item # 4 – Discussion of the 460 Account. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

Public Comments: none

Correspondence: First Selectman Burke presented a packet of correspondence regarding the Board of Education Maintenance.

Minutes of Meeting – August 18, 2009 Special Meeting: Selectman Szatkowski made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Cleary, to approve the minutes of August 18, 2009 as presented. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

Minutes of Meeting – August 31, 2009 Special Meeting: Selectman Cleary made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Szatkowski, to approve the minutes of the

August 31, 2009 Special Meeting as presented. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

Minutes of Meeting – September 29, 2009 Special Meeting: Selectman Szatkowski made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Cleary, to approve the minutes of the September 29, 2009 Special Meeting as presented. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

First Selectman's Report: First Selectman Burke provided an update on the paving projects throughout town, noting that Payne Road, portions of Vail Road, portions of Taylor Avenue, have been paved and work continues on Benedict Road, Walnut Hill Road and Chimney Drive.

Old Business

1.) Consideration of Bid Award – Heating System Renovations at Frank A. Berry Elementary School

First Selectman Burke made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Szatkowski, to accept the recommendation from the Town Engineer and award the Heating System Renovations to Connecticut Combustion Corporation in the amount of \$78,860. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

2.) Reconvene the Special Meeting for the Riley Ethics Complaint

It was agreed to reconvene the Special Meeting for the Riley Ethics Complaint on Wednesday, October 14, 2009 at 8:00 p.m., if Mr. Riley and his counsel are available.

New Business

1.) Presentation of the Bethel High School Track & Field Proposal and consideration of acceptance of the donation.

Yvonne Grimes, the High School Boys Track & Field Coach, was present at tonight's meeting. Her family wishes to donate an 8 lane all weather track and associated improvements to the Bethel High School track. It is her intention to have the work commence in June 2010 with an end date of September 2010. Both the Parks & Recreation Commission and the Board of Education are in support of this donation.

First Selectman Burke made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Szatkowski, to refer the proposal and donation acceptance to the appropriate town representatives (including the Comptroller, Town Counsel, Land Use Agencies, Engineering, etc.) in

order to prepare a plan for the implementation of the project that is in accordance with applicable regulations and appropriate guidelines necessary to address any financial aspects as well as a project timeline which meets the needs of the Town of Bethel and the donor, and to request comments back by the next Board of Selectmen meeting. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

The Board of Selectmen thanked Ms. Grimes for her generous donation.

2.) Consideration of Bid Award – Dry Screened Sand for Snow & Ice Control

First Selectman Burke made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Szatkowski, to accept the recommendation from the Procurement Committee and award the bid for Dry Screened Sand for Snow & Ice Control to Green Cycle Grillo for the bid price of \$15.93 per ton. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

3.) Consideration of authorizing the First Selectman to sign an agreement with the Connecticut Energy Efficiency Fund and Connecticut Light & Power Energy Efficiency Service – for the installation of energy efficient measures for an incentive in the amount of \$14,960 for the Bethel High School.

First Selectman Burke made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Cleary, to authorize the First Selectman to sign the agreement with Connecticut Energy Efficiency Fund and Connecticut Light & Power Energy Efficiency Service – for the installation of energy efficient measures for an incentive in the amount of \$14,960 for the Bethel High School. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

4.) Discussion of the 460 Account

A packet had been submitted to the Board of Selectmen containing a letter from William Kingston, Board of Education Chairman, advising that they (*the Board of Education*) are requesting immediate release of the 460 Maintenance Account to the control of the Board of Education as well as correspondence from the attorney they engaged. There was also a letter from William Hagan, Town Counsel, who had responded to the issue of maintenance over the 460 account, which was in direct opposition of the Board of Education legal opinion.

Selectman Szatkowski presented a packet which included 131 open work orders. First Selectman Burke expressed concern that Selectman Szatkowski did not give the Town Engineer/Director of Public Works opportunity to respond. Discussion took place regarding the issues. It was agreed that the best way to resolve it was to bring the parties together to discuss the matter.

First Selectman Burke made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Szatkowski, to hold a special meeting (date to be determined) with the Town Engineer/Director of Public Works, Board of Education Facilities Manager and invite the Board of Education Facilities Sub-committee to further discuss the issues with the 460 Maintenance Account. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

As there was no further business, Selectman Szatkowski made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Cleary, to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Wendy Smith". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Wendy Smith, Recording Secretary