



# BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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*Matthew S. Knickerbocker, First Selectman*  
*Richard C. Straiton, Selectman*  
*Paul R. Szatkowski, Selectman*

## MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, April 6, 2010  
7:30 p.m.

CJH Municipal Center – Meeting Room “A”

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TOWN OF BETHEL  
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**PRESENT:** First Selectman Knickerbocker, Selectman Straiton and Selectman Szatkowski. Also in attendance was Town Counsel Martin J. Lawlor.

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

**Public Comments:** David Glahn and William Michael spoke.

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

**Minutes of February 19, 2010 Special Meeting:** Minutes were approved at the March 2, 2010 meeting.

**Minutes of February 25, 2010 Special Meeting:** First Selectman Knickerbocker made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Straiton, to approve the minutes as presented. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

**Minutes of March 2, 2010 Regular Meeting:** First Selectman Knickerbocker made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Straiton, to approve the minutes as presented. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

**Minutes of March 3, 2010 Special Meeting:** First Selectman Knickerbocker made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Straiton, to approve the minutes as presented. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

**Minutes of March 8, 2010 Special Meeting:** First Selectman Knickerbocker made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Szatkowski, to approve the minutes as presented. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

**Minutes of March 9, 2010 Special Meeting:** First Selectman Knickerbocker made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Straiton, to approve the minutes as presented. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

**Minutes of March 25, 2010 Special Meeting:** First Selectman Knickerbocker made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Straiton, to approve the minutes as presented. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

**Minutes of March 30, 2010 Special Meeting:** First Selectman Knickerbocker made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Straiton, to approve the minutes with the correction that the meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. not 4:04 p.m. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

First Selectman Knickerbocker made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Straiton, to add to tonight's agenda, under New Business # 5 – Consideration of request from the New England Archers – Use of Francis J. Clarke Industrial Park - Summer Archery Club. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

### **First Selectman Report:**

- First Selectman Knickerbocker noted that focus on the Teen Center has not been forgotten; alternate locations are still being reviewed. He offered that a plan and/or location could be determined within 60-90 days; they are doing their due diligence to reach a solution.
- He advised that work at the South Street Fire House continues to move along; the concrete pad and fence is anticipated this week. Final inspection is still on target for this month.
- First Selectman Knickerbocker noted that the Bethel Visiting Nurse Association is moving into their new building this month.
- First Selectman Knickerbocker advised that we have been receiving a number of complaints about the roads, potholes, etc. The recent rainfall (which is the highest month on record) has created a lot of areas of concern; Castle Hill Road has suffered major problems with parts of the roadway collapsing. Public Works is actively working in this area.
- First Selectman Knickerbocker also noted that the bridge projects are expected to be bid in May.

### **Old Business**

#### **1.) Consideration of New England Tree Movers - tree removal at the High School**

First Selectman Knickerbocker made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Straiton, to approve the removal on November 6, 2009 of a Copper Beech tree located on property owned by the Town of Bethel at the corner of Judd Avenue and Whittlesey Drive by New England Tree Movers, LLC in exchange for the receipt and planting of 10 2"-3" in caliper trees from New England Tree Movers, LLC. Said trees to be approved and accepted by the Tree Warden of Bethel on behalf of the Town of Bethel with the location and date of planting to be determined by agreement of the Town of Bethel and New England Tree Movers, LLC. Information on the size and value of the trees in question will be obtained and included as part of the approval by the Board of Selectmen.

#### **2.) Consideration of Request for Proposals - lease of Old Train Station**

First Selectman Knickerbocker made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Straiton, to authorize the Town Engineer to prepare the Request for Proposals to advertise for the lease of the Old Train Station. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

**New Business**

**1.) Consideration of request from the Greater Danbury Soap Box Derby Association – Spring Race Series**

First Selectman Knickerbocker made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Straiton, to approve the request of the Greater Danbury Soap Box Derby Association to hold their Soap Box Derby race events in the Francis J. Clarke Industrial Park on May 1<sup>st</sup> and May 2<sup>nd</sup> (rain date May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> or 24<sup>th</sup>) and again on June 5<sup>th</sup> and June 6<sup>th</sup>, subject to the receipt of the appropriate insurance certificate and notification to park occupants and the Bethel Police Department. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

**2.) Consideration of request from Cyclefitness – Summer Race Series**

First Selectman Knickerbocker made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Szatkowski, to approve the request of Cyclefitness LLC to hold their Summer Bicycle Races at the Francis J. Clarke Industrial Park from May 5<sup>th</sup> through September 1<sup>st</sup> subject to receipt of the appropriate insurance certificate and notification to park occupants and the Bethel Police Department. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

**3.) Consideration of request – E-Waste Collection and Recycling Agreement**

First Selectman Knickerbocker made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Straiton, to adopt the E-Waste Collection and Recycling Agreement as follows:

**TOWN OF BETHEL ADOPTION AGREEMENT  
E-Waste Collection and Recycling Agreement  
Municipal Adoption Agreement**

THIS ADOPTION AGREEMENT (the “Adoption Agreement”) is entered into as of March \_\_\_, 2010, by the Town of Bethel, (the “Town”) a municipality existing under the laws of the State of Connecticut and a Member of Housatonic Resources Recovery Authority (“HRRA”), a regional resources recovery authority organized and existing under the laws of the State of Connecticut.

WHEREAS, WeRecycle! LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (“WRL”), with offices at 500 South Broad Street, Meriden, CT 06450 and HRRA have entered into an E-Waste Collection Agreement dated as of February 18, 2010 (the “E-Waste Collection Agreement”) pursuant to which WRL will provide certain e-waste recycling

Services on behalf of HRRRA member municipalities that agree to adopt that E-Waste Collection and Recycling Agreement;

WHEREAS, the Town desires that WRL provide for the Town the Services set forth in the E-Waste Collection and Recycling Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Town desires to adopt the provisions of the E-Waste Collection and Recycling Agreement and become bound by the terms and conditions thereof;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the covenants, mutual promises, and agreements set forth herein and in the E-Waste Collection and Recycling Agreement, the Town agrees as follows:

1. Town hereby adopts the E-Waste Collection and Recycling Agreement and agrees to be bound by the terms and conditions thereof.
2. Town represents that it is authorized and empowered to enter into this Adoption Agreement and the E-Waste Collection and Recycling Agreement, and that the terms and provisions of such Adoption Agreement and E-Waste Collection and Recycling Agreement are binding on it and do not conflict with any agreement, regulation, law or order to which it is a party or by which it is bound.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Town has caused this Adoption Agreement to be executed by a duly authorized representative.

Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

**4.) Consideration of request - AIRS Contract with the Town of Stratford.**

First Selectman Knickerbocker made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Straiton, that the Board of Selectmen accepts and approves of the Town of Bethel, Bethel Health Department, and Laura L. Vasile, Director of Health, entering into the "Contract for Professional Services" with the Town of Stratford, Stratford Health Department AIRS Program for the term of the contract funding period October 1, 2009 through September 30, 2012 and hereby authorizes the First Selectman to sign same. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

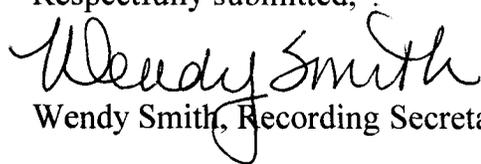
**5.) Consideration of request from the New England Archers – Use of Francis J. Clarke Industrial Park - Summer Archery Club.**

First Selectman Knickerbocker made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Straiton, to approve the request of the New England Archers to hold their 2010 Summer Archery Season from

April 10, 2010 through August 31, 2010 in the Francis J. Clarke Industrial Park including specific events on April 10<sup>th</sup> (trail clean-up), April 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> (Archery Tournament) and a June event for Boy Scout Campout (date to be determined) subject to receipt of the appropriate insurance. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

As there was no further business on tonight's agenda, Selectman Straiton made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Szatkowski, to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 p.m. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Wendy Smith, Recording Secretary