

Town of Colchester, Connecticut

127 Norwich Avenue, Colchester, Connecticut 06415

Gregg Schuster, First Selectman

Board of Selectmen Minutes Regular Meeting Thursday, October 4, 2012 Colchester Town Hall

Meeting Room 1 -7:00PM



MEMBERS PRESENT: First Selectman Gregg Schuster, Selectman James Ford, Selectman Stan Soby, Selectman Greg Cordova, and Selectman Rosemary Coyle **MEMBERS ABSENT:**

OTHERS PRESENT: Derrik Kennedy, Dot Mrowka, James Paggioli, Ryan Blessing, Melissa Roberto, Pat McHale, and other citizens.

- Call to Order
 First Selectman G. Schuster called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
- 2. Additions to the Agenda None.
- 3. Approve Minutes of the September 20, 2012 Regular Board of Selectmen meeting R. Coyle moved to approve the minutes of the September 20, 2012 Regular Board of Selectmen meeting, seconded by G. Cordova. G. Cordova abstained. All others approved. MOTION CARRIED.
- 4. Approve Minutes of the September 27, 2012 Special Board of Selectmen meeting R. Coyle moved to approve the minutes of the September 27, 2012 Special Board of Selectmen meeting, seconded by G. Cordova. S. Soby and G. Cordova abstained. All others approved. MOTION CARRIED.
- 5. Citizen's Comments
 None.
- 6. Boards and Commissions Interviews and/or Possible Appointments and Resignations
 - Parks & Recreation Commission. Jody Barr to resign.
 R. Coyle moved to accept the resignation of Jody Barr from the Parks & Recreation Commission with regret, seconded by G. Cordova. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED.
 - Conservation Commission. Member re-appointment for a three-year term to expire 10/01/2015. Morris Epstein to be interviewed.
 R. Coyle moved to re-appoint Morris Epstein as a member of the Conservation Commission for a three-year term to expire 10/01/2015, seconded by J. Ford. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED.
 - Economic Development Commission. Member vacancy to be filled for a term to expire 10/31/14. John P. Dion was interviewed on 09/20/12.
 No action taken.

- Fair Rent Commission. Member vacancy to be filled for a three-year term to expire d. 10/01/2015. Valerie McGriff was interviewed on 09/20/12.
 - S. Soby moved to appoint Valerie McGriff as a member to the Fair Rent Commission for a three-year term to expire 10/01/2015, seconded by G. Cordova. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED.
- Parks & Recreation Commission. Alternate vacancy to be filled for a three-year e. term to expire 11/30/2015. David A. O'Brien was interviewed on 09/20/12. No action taken.

Budget Transfers 7.

None.

8. Tax Refunds & Rebates

G. Cordova moved to approve tax refunds in the amount of \$9.00 to Martin Jenkins, \$12.67 to David Haggerty, \$6.34 to Craig Sylvester, \$66.24 to Michael Blake, \$37.73 to Douglas Nuemann, \$14.69 to Keith Ramsey, \$59.04 to Arlene Kobylanski, \$18.72 to Atlantic Excavation or Charles Doocy, \$29.95 to Christopher Markovitz, \$8.64 to Samantha Vanzilen, \$1,096.80 to Judith Washburn c/o Washburn Family Living Trust, \$35.14 to Judith & Zachery Ware, \$14.11 to Michael & Carole Dufour, and \$393.71 to US Bank NA; seconded by J. Ford. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED.

Discussion and Possible Action on CCM Prescription Discount Card Program 9.

Discussion on residents who are covered, how residents are made aware of the program, how companies profit, and whether personal health information is disclosed. G. Cordova moved to approve the discount prescription card program with the Connecticut Conference of Municipalities and authorize the First Selectman to sign all necessary documents, seconded by S. Soby. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED.

10. Discussion and Possible Action on Old Bacon Academy Lease

S. Soby moved to call a Town Meeting for Thursday, October 18 at 7:05pm to discuss and act upon a lease with the Bacon Academy Trustees for Old Bacon Academy, and have materials available at the Town Clerk's Office, seconded by R. Coyle. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED.

11. Discussion and Possible Action on Ordinances

- a. Sunday Alcohol Sales
- b. Open Space Advisory Board

R. Coyle moved to approve the revisions to the Open Space Advisory Committee and Sunday Alcohol Sales ordinances and add them to a Town Meeting agenda to be held on October 18 at 7:05pm at Town Hall for approval, with all materials for review in the Town Clerk's Office; seconded by G. Cordova. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED.

12. Discussion on Blight Ordinance

Discussion on need for more information and public/board-commission comments. Agreement to work with land use and economic development boards first then discuss next steps for public involvement. No action taken.

Discussion and Possible Action on Personnel Policy 13.

a. Section II, pages 23 - 26

b. Section II, pages 26 - 29

(3rd Reading) (2nd Reading)

c. Section II, pages 29 - 34

(1st Reading)

Discussion on edits to policy. No action taken.

14. Citizen's Comments

None.

15. First Selectman's Report

First Selectman G. Schuster reported that the lights are starting to be erected on Lebanon Avenue to finish the streetscape project, Pumpkins and Pooches is this weekend, circulation is up at the library with children's book circulation up to 30% of all circulation, Town Hall will be closed on Monday due to Columbus Day, and on new laws affecting municipalities effective October 1.

16. Liaison Report

S. Soby report that the Planning & Zoning Commission is starting enforcement actions against a piggery in Town due to regulation violations.

17. Executive Session to Discuss Negotiations with Bacon Academy Board of Trustees J. Ford moved to enter into executive session to discuss negotiations with Bacon Academy Board

of Trustees and invite Public Works Director James Paggioli, seconded by G. Cordova.

Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED.

Entered into executive session at 7:49 p.m. Exited from executive session at 8:02 p.m.

18. Executive Session to Discuss Personnel

S. Soby moved to enter into executive session to discuss personnel and invite Town Counsel Pat McHale, seconded by G. Cordova. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED.

Entered into executive session at 8:03 p.m. Exited from executive session at 8:57 p.m.

19. Adjourn

G. Cordova moved to adjourn at 8:58p.m., seconded by S. Soby. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Executive Assistant to the First Selectman