



Town of Colchester, Connecticut

127 Norwich Avenue, Colchester, Connecticut 06415

**Board of Selectmen Minutes
Regular Meeting Minutes
Thursday, May 21, 2015
Colchester Town Hall @ 7pm**

MEMBERS PRESENT: First Selectman Stan Soby, Selectman Denise Mizla, Selectman Rosemary Coyle, and Selectman Kurt Frantzen

MEMBERS ABSENT: none

OTHERS PRESENT: D Mrowka Registrar, G Siddell COA Chair, T. Dean Clerk, and other citizens

1. Call to Order

First Selectman S. Soby called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Additions to the Agenda - none

3. Approve Minutes of the May 7, 2015 Regular Board of Selectmen Meeting

R Coyle asked to change wording for Item #22, first paragraph, second sentence "to streamline process (strike prices). Fourth sentence add; "committee has met or will meet with the Lions..". D Mizla asked to change wording for Item #22 second paragraph, third sentence "over and, completed design and request for the RFP's to go out for the splash park repairs.

R Coyle moved to approve the Regular Board of Selectmen meeting minutes of May 7, 2015, as amended, seconded by D Mizla. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED

4. Approve Minutes of the May 11, 2015 Special Board of Selectmen Meeting

R Coyle moved to approve the Special Board of Selectmen Meeting minutes of May 11, 2015, seconded by D Mizla, with one abstention by R Coyle. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED

5. Citizen's Comments – none

6. Boards and Commissions – Interviews and/or Possible Appointments and Resignations

a. Housing Authority – Denise Salmoiraghi possible reappointment for a five year term to expire 5/1/2020

R Coyle moved to reappoint Denise Salmoiraghi to the Housing Authority for a five year term to expire 5/1/2020, seconded by K Frantzen. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED.

b. Commission on Aging – Possible Appointment

R Coyle stated that all the commissions to be appointed to have wonderful candidates to choose from and it will be a very hard decision to make. S Soby informed the Board that letters went out to each interviewee to discuss other commissions in the event they are not selected for the one they had submitted for.

Discussion between Board members on candidates.

K Frantzen moved to appoint Jennifer DeHay as an alternate member for a three year term to expire 12/1/2018, seconded by R Coyle. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED

c. Police Commission

Discussion between Board members on candidates.

R Coyle moved to appoint Susan Dubb to the Police Commission for a three year term to expire 11/1/2018, seconded by D Mizla. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED.

d. Board of Selectmen

Discussion between Board members on candidates.

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R Coyle moved to appoint John Reeve to the Board of Selectmen for a term to expire 11/17/2015, seconded by D Mizla. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED.

7. Budget Transfers - none

8. Tax Refunds & Rebates

R Coyle moved to approve tax refunds in the amount of \$664.59 to CAB East LLC and \$639.43 to Ari Fleet Lt, seconded by K Frantzen. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED

9. Discussion and Possible Action on Zumba Gold Toning Instructor Contract

R Coyle moved to authorize the First Selectman to sign the attached contract with Donna Chalmers, Zumba Gold Toning Instructor, beginning 5/19/2015 and ending 6/30/2015, seconded by D Mizla. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED.

10. Discussion and Possible Action on FY 2015-2016 Budget

Set for the Referendum on 5/28/15 at Town Hall from 6am-8pm. Absentee ballots available in the Town Clerk's office.

11. Citizen's Comments – G Siddell is thrilled to have a filled Commission on Aging. They had more interested people that they will put on a team lead roles.

S. Schuster challenged the Board to not forget about the seniors during the WJJMS Building Referendum. Feels seniors need a new center since it is the fastest growing group. S Soby stated that he had recently met with North Woods and had discussed that it will be the next commitment that the Board will tackle is getting a senior center for the senior population.

D Mrowka asked about the situation of car windows being broken. S Soby stated that it is an ongoing investigation.

12. First Selectman's Report

Resident Trooper supervisor, Sgt. Mercer, has resigned for a full time position at a technical unit. David Luke is assigned as the interim Resident Trooper until a replacement is placed; Attended KX meeting. Discussed state funding that will implement the Kimball plan; Lockton came to do an insurance presentation for non-union employees; Continuing negotiations with Fire Fighters and Police unions; Ratification with Admin union on Friday; Went with the Town Planner to meet regarding property in town; Met the Harpers regarding the Colchester Sports Arena plans going forward, they have a location; Town Planner position not yet posted, the job description will remain the same; Memorial Day Parade on Sunday.

13. Liaison Reports

K Frantzen reported on the Historic District – applications for review and they are working on them.

Conservation Commission – No new applications, finishing out existing applications and working on some enforcement issues.

Ethics – issue they are currently working on, no details available.

D Mizla reported on Board of Education – Superintendent and Frank Steward, investigator, working on the presentation for the final report in June. The Board received the Strategic Plan for review. BOE approved to reduce the budget by \$150,000, and also approved the contract with PPI as the BOS has done.

14. Executive Session to Discuss Employee 457 Plan

R Coyle moved to enter into executive session to discuss Employee 457 Plan, seconded by D Mizla. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED.

Entered into executive session at 7:54 p.m.

Exited from executive session at 7:56 p.m.

15. Discussion and Possible Action on Employee 457 Plan Request

R Coyle moved to approve the Employee 457 Plan Request, seconded by K Frantzen. Unanimously Approved. MOTION CARRIED.

16. Adjourn

D Mizla moved to adjourn at 7:56 p.m., seconded by K Frantzen. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Tricia Dean, Clerk