



Town of Colchester, Connecticut

127 Norwich Avenue, Colchester, Connecticut 06415

Board of Selectmen Minutes
Regular Meeting Minutes
Thursday, February 16, 2017
Colchester Town Hall @7pm

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J. PAGGIOLI
TOWN CLERK

MEMBERS PRESENT: First Selectman Art Shilosky, Selectman Stan Soby, Selectman Denise Mizla and Selectman John Jones

MEMBERS ABSENT: Selectman Rosemary Coyle

OTHERS PRESENT: PW Director J Paggioli, TC G Furman, TC M Wyatt, Registrar D Mrowka, BOF S Lowe, R Wah and Clerk T Dean

1. **Call to Order**
First Selectman A Shilosky called the meeting to order at 7:20p.m.
2. **Additions to the Agenda - none**
3. **Citizen's Comments - none**
4. **Consent Agenda**
 1. **Approve Minutes of the February 2, 2017 Board of Selectmen Meeting**
 2. **Approve Targeted Grant FY 2018 for the Historic Documents Preservation Program**
 4. **Tax Refunds & Rebates - none**

S Soby moved to approve the consent agenda, seconded by D Mizla. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED

5. **Budget Transfer**
S Soby moved to approve the transfer as presented, seconded by D Mizla. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED

6. **Boards and Commissions – Interviews and/or Possible Appointments and Resignations**
 - a. **Police Commission possible appointments for a three-year term**
S Soby stated that one more member is needed to make a quorum. Following this appointment the Board will continue to interview.

S Soby moved to appoint Carol Vaillancourt to the Police Commission for a term to expire on 11/30/2017, seconded by J Jones. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED

7. **Discussion and Possible Action on Decommissioning of the Blight Task Force**
A Shilosky thanked the commission for all their hard work. Next step will be for the Board to appoint a Citation Hearing Officer. S Soby stated that the commission started with 5 members, due to other commitments, the commission went down to three members who dove in and covered a lot of material. The group crafted a really good ordinance, which is reasonable and works for Colchester.

S Soby moved to decommission the Blight Ordinance Task Force, seconded by D Mizla. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED.

8. **Discussion and Possible Action on Donate for Life Flag**
J Paggioli stated in order to replace the POW flag for one week with another flag, it needs to be approved by the BOS. S Soby stated that each year the veterans are notified and they are ok with the temporary replacement. This is a yearly event for Donate for Life.

S Soby moved to approve the flying of the Donate for Life flag at Town Hall from April 10th through April 21st 2017, seconded by J Jones.

9. Citizens Comments

D Mrowka asked who was sworn in for the Fire Department today. J Jones stated it was three FT EMT's, one promotion to EMS Chief, and one paid firefighter promoted to Safety Officer, Lieutenant position.

10. First Selectman's Report

A Shilosky reported that the town is waiting for a signed deed for the Lebanon Ave. property. Emergency Operations Center had recent improvements/updates. New Emergency Management Director, Rick Peruta, has put in a lot of effort and hours into the updates. Tentative agreement with three unions. No upcoming negotiations for 2017-2018 FY.

11. Liaison Reports

J Jones reported on Historical District – school house on Main St. is almost complete.

S Soby reported on Planning & Zoning – preliminary proposal drafted. Looking at modifications for regulations. Two issues around request to build duplexes in sub-division that only currently have one family homes. The other issue is with tiny houses, which square footage is below minimum requirement for houses now. Also discussed was maximum size limits on accessory apartments. Staff will be coming back to the commission with additional information.

D Mizla reported on the Board of Education – Ground breaking for WJJMS planned for March 15th. Town and BOE Public Hearing on Budget scheduled for Feb 28th. Enrollment was recalculated, to date enrollment is 2,483 students. WJJMS portables donated 14 ft of used lockers to the Fire Dept. Bacon Academy principal M Peel implemented a partnership with colleges for students, starting as early as freshmen, to earn college credits. 450 students have participated.

S Soby stated Freezin for a Reason fundraising event was held this past weekend and generated \$10,915. Three business in town generously matched donations, Family Pizza, Reliable Oil, and Ganos, 100% of all donations go directly to where it is needed in town. A Shilosky thanked Selectman S Soby, Fire Chief W Cox, SRO R Suchecki, and Fred Brown for participating and their dedication to this yearly event.

12. Executive Session to Discuss a Security Matter

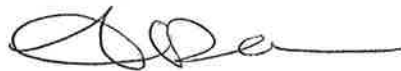
S Soby moved to enter into executive session to discuss a security matter, seconded by D Mizla. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED.

Entered into executive session at 7:37 p.m.
Exited from executive session at 8:03 p.m.

13. Adjourn

J Jones moved to adjourn at 8:03 p.m., seconded by S Soby. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,



Tricia Dean, Clerk