



Town of Colchester, Connecticut

127 Norwich Avenue, Colchester, Connecticut 06415

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

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: none

OTHERS PRESENT: BOF S Lowe, D Mrowka, K & D Gesiak and Clerk T Dean

1. Call to Order

First Selectman A Shilosky called the meeting to order at 7:01p.m.

2. Additions to the Agenda

A Shilosky asked to remove #13 part Municipal Employees Union Local 506 Collective Bargaining Agreement, and delete #14, renumber remaining items. D Mizla asked to remove from the Consent Agenda 4.5 Tax Refunds & Rebates, renumber remaining items accordingly.

R Coyle moved to approve changes as presented, seconded by J Jones. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED.

3. Citizen's Comments - none

4. Consent Agenda

1. Approve Minutes of the March 2, 2017 Board of Selectmen Meeting
2. Ethics Commission – Resignation of Shannon Berquist
3. Open Space Commission – Resignation of Linda Grzeika
4. Commission on Aging – Resignation of Linda Grzeika
5. Grant Application for Section 5310 Funding for Vehicle Replacement
6. Application for Title III Grant Renewal

R Coyle moved to approve the consent agenda, seconded by J Jones. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED

5. Budget Transfers - none

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

a. Police Commission – Possible Appointment of Debra Marvin to the Police Commission for a three-year term to expire 11/15/2020

J Jones moved to appoint Debra Marvin to the Police Commission for a three-year term to expire 11/15/2020, seconded by R Coyle. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED.

b. Economic Development Commission – Possible appointment of Jean Walsh from alternate member to regular member for a five-year term to expire on 12/15/2017

D Mizla moved to appoint Jean Walsh from alternate member to regular member on the Economic Development Commission for a five-year term to expire on 12/15/2017, seconded by R Coyle. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED.

7. Discussion and Possible Action on Grant Contract with the Connecticut State Library

Library Director K Byroade stated this is to pay for the construction of a fiber optic connection line. There is no cost to the town.

S Soby resolved the duly elected First Selectman is empowered to execute and deliver in the name and on behalf of this organization a certain contract with the Connecticut State Library, State of Connecticut, for a Fiber to the Library Grant, seconded by D Mizla. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED

8. Discussion and Possible Action on Veterans' Room Use Policy at the Senior Center

A Shilosky stated that Senior Services Director P Watts met with the veterans and put together regulations for both the senior center and the veterans usage. An incident at the senior center precipitated this policy.

S Soby moved to approve the Veterans' Room Use Policy at the Senior Center, seconded by D Mizla. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED

9. Discussion and Possible Action on Automated Fingerprint Identification System Agreement

S Soby moved to authorize the First Selectman to sign the Automated Fingerprint Identification System agreement, seconded by R Coyle. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED.

10. Citizen's Comments – S Lowe asked about the Senior Center and background checks for volunteers

11. First Selectman's Report

A Shilosky stated that the town closed on the Lebanon Ave property. EDC is working with the schools and donations to put up signs coming into Colchester. They are in the drawing stages and will be presenting to the Board in the near future once design and locations have been chosen. Soon will be borrowing money for the school project through short term notes. Working with bond council, then they will come to the Board to authorize the process.

12. Liaison Reports

D Mizla reported on Board of Education – 3/21 will be the next meeting. 6/30 superintendent will be retiring.

S Soby reported on Planning & Zoning – subdivisions finalized the language from development project. Original condition of approval and second agreement by parties, the condition changed to match the language. Looking at development language of multi-family duplexes in rural zones and putting language around that.

R Coyle reported on Building Committee (attached)
Fire Department (attached)
Charter Revision (attached)
Senior Center Subcommittee (attached)

J Jones reported on Conservation Commission – approved 2 lot subdivision on Old Hartford Rd. Tabled application to build 20 apartments on Amston Rd.
Historic Commission – open house for new museum will be coming up. Still need to side the building.

13. Executive Session to Discuss Town Hall Local 1303-254 Collective Bargaining Agreement

D Mizla moved to enter into executive session to discuss Town Hall Local 1303-254 Collective Bargaining Agreement, seconded J Jones. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED.

Entered into executive session at 7:26 p.m.
Exited from executive session at 7:31 p.m.

14. Discussion and Possible Action on Town Hall Collective Bargaining Agreement

S Soby moved to approve Town Hall collective bargaining agreement for July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2021 and authorize he First Selectman to sign agreement, seconded by R Coyle. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED

15. Adjourn

J Jones moved to adjourn at 7:35 p.m., seconded by R Coyle. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED.

Attachments: R Coyle Liaison reports

Respectfully submitted,



Tricia Dean, Clerk

Selectman Rosemary Coyle – Liaison Report

WJJMS Building Committee

1. Approved invoices to Tecton, Arcadis, O&G and the Town of Colchester (\$7,540 – State Building Permit Fee) totaling \$241,460.48.
2. Had an introductory presentation from David Learner from MultiVisata on photographic based construction manager documentation. Actual photos are taken as the work progresses providing a visual history of the project. A full presentation will occur at the Building Committee meeting of April 13th at Town Hall.
3. To address security issues of employees working on school property, Good Hire.com will be used provide background checks of all employees working on the project.
4. The Field Office has opened in Portable A. O&G will be pay \$16,800 for the use of the portable.
5. Arcadis brought to the attention of the Building Committee that additional paperwork needs to be submitted to verify the 61% reimbursement of the second gym that was already approved.

Colchester Hayward Fire Department

1. Continue to work on establishing our own Paramedics program and obtaining licenses.
2. Looking into the American Red Cross Blitz program that would install free smoke detectors in places like Westchester Village and Colchester Commons.
3. Replacement of Ambulance 628 through a lease purchase and trade in the old ambulance.
4. Updated the men's and women's bunk rooms at the Firehouse.

Charter Revision

1. Plan to send the revisions to the attorney soon and hope to have it back by mid April.
2. Asked the BOS to establish ordinances for Sewer and Water and the Police Commission that replicate the Charter language as they are recommending deleting this language from the Charter.
3. ~~Planning a Public Forum on May 4st.~~
4. Discussed transfer language with Rob Tarlov who brought it to BOF and adjustments were made to include the BOF again in transfer language between departments.

Senior Center Subcommittee

1. Discussed recommendations to send on to the BOS that will be finalized at our next meeting.
2. April meeting is canceled and the next meeting will be a special meeting on May 10th.
3. Reviewed preliminary financial projections
4. Will be reviewing specifications as per our charge from the SRC Strategic Planning committee.