



Town of Colchester, Connecticut

127 Norwich Avenue, Colchester, Connecticut 06415

Board of Selectmen Minutes
Regular Meeting Minutes
Thursday, June 21, 2018
Colchester Town Hall @ 7pm

MEMBERS PRESENT: First Selectman Art Shilosky, Selectman Stan Soby, Selectman Denise Mizla and Selectman Jim Ford

MEMBERS ABSENT: Selectman Rosemary Coyle

OTHERS PRESENT: Registrar D Mrowka, BOF A Migliaccio, C Bourque, L Curtis, K Kosiba and Clerk T Dean

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1. Call to Order

A Shilosky called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

2. Additions to the Agenda

A Shilosky asked to add #6 Transfer, renumber remaining items.

S Soby moved to add the agenda item as presented, seconded by D Mizla. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED.

3. Citizen's Comments – L Curtis stated the reason the Land Trust is in favor and promoting the concept of agenda item #8- Colchester-Right to Farm Community' signage.

4. Consent Agenda

a. Approve deletion of ordinances 11, 18-9, 21, 49, 67, 72, 90, 120-1, to go to Public Hearing.

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

5. Boards and Commissions – Interviews and/or Possible Appointments

a. **Ethics Commission & Youth Services Advisory Board – Dean Dest to be interviewed** – was interviewed

b. **Ethics Commission – Betty Wagner possible appointment as a member to expire 10/13/2019**

S Soby moved to appoint Betty Wagner to the Ethics Commission as a member to expire 10/13/2019, seconded by J Ford. Unanimously approved, with one abstention by D Mizla. MOTION CARRIED.

c. **Conservation Commission – Seth Travis possible appointment as a member to expire 10/31/2019**

J Ford moved to appoint Seth Travis to the Conservation Commission as a member to expire 10/31/2019, seconded by S Soby. Unanimously approved, with one abstention by D Mizla. MOTION CARRIED.

6. Transfer

S Soby moved to approve the request of transfer from 11801-44208 IT Professional Services to 18501-50500 Transfer to Capital Technology in the amount \$15,000, seconded by J Ford. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED

7. Approve Minutes of the June 7, 2018 Regular Board of Selectmen Meeting

S Soby asked for correction – 5.1. last sentence in paragraph 2, correct 'case' to 'cast' to read, S Soby stated the quote "let he who is without sin cast the first stone"

S Soby moved to approve the minutes of the June 7, 2018 Regular Board of Selectmen meeting as amended, seconded by J Ford. Unanimously approved, with one abstention by D Mizla. MOTION CARRIED

8. Discussion and Possible Action on Agriculture Commission 'Colchester-Right to Farm Community' Signage Proposal

Chris Bourque, Chairman of the Agriculture Commission, stated that Colchester adopted the Right to Farm ordinance, and they would like to educate the community on what that means. Signs would be funded by the Land Trust. The BOS would need to adopt before proposing to the state for signage on state roadways. The caveat to the proposed plan would be the signage on the winery posts – per state statute and DOT, additional signs are not allowed on these posts. Would also like to add this signage to the current Town Hall signs for Heart Healthy and Natural Habitat.

S Soby stated he loves the concept but has the concern of how would this get coordinated. P&Z is currently trying to improve sign regulations. How would the commission coordinate this message into an informative, uniform way that provides information but would not add to the visual clutter. Suggests a combined effort with EDC, Land Trust and

Agriculture commission to get an organized

picture of the plan. The Board indicated they would need to start the process, and gain approval with the P&Z Dept.
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9. Review and Discussion on Town Ordinance Potential Revisions

Board agreed that they needed more information on #6, A Shilosky will review with Sgt. Martinez. More information needed on #120-6,9,11, A Shilosky will review with Public Works Director. #1 – recommended revision “Whenever such additions, deletions, amendments or supplements to the Code shall be enacted or adopted, they shall thereafter be printed and, as provided hereunder, inserted in the loose leaf book containing said Code, ***maintained in both print and electronic format***, as amendments and supplements thereto. #81, revise based on Library Directors recommended change in memo. Delete #77 and #136 delete based on recommendation of Town Planner, Senior Services Director and Housing Authority Agent. Next meeting consent agenda #77, 136, 1, 81. Then add to list to go to Public hearing and town meeting.

10. Citizen’s Comments – none

11. First Selectman’s Report

A Shilosky stated the BOF member, Thomas Kane, has resigned Wed. 6/20. Will go through the normal process of replacing. Fire Department union contract is tentatively agreed upon. Two officers will be retiring in June 2019, along with Sgt. Martinez also retiring in 2019. Cancelling July 5, 2018 meeting.

12. Liaison Reports

S Soby reported on Planning & Zoning – focused on application for zoning change, denied based on information provided. Marijuana production or dispensing facilities regulations has been postponed for 18 months so that town staff can do sufficient research. Discussion around limitations on locations where sale of guns can occur with respect to education facilities still under discussion. Signage regulations discussed regarding businesses, and how the town can do more with permanent signage to reduce temporary signage clutter. Discussed signage not being removed after event date has occurred causing more visual clutter.

Opengov subcommittee – met with CFO to help frame policy in terms of accounts, levels and different users. Very good discussion and came up with a framework that will provide a good amount of information.

13. Adjourn

S Soby moved to adjourn at 7:50 p.m., seconded by D Mizla. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,



Tricia Dean, Clerk