MINUTES
Board of Selectmen
Tuesday, October 4, 2011 @ 7:30PM
Norma Drummer Room/Seymour Town Hall


ITEM # 1 – Call meeting to order.
Meeting was called to order at 7:30PM by the First Selectman.

ITEM # 2 – Pledge of Allegiance.
Everyone saluted the Flag and stated the Pledge of Allegiance.

ITEM # 3 – First Selectman’s Report.
1. Testified in Hartford at the CL&P and UI hearings. Gave report as to what worked and what did not work concerning Hurricane Irene.
2. Joined Senator Rob Kane, Senator Kevin Kelly, Representative Len Greene Jr., Emergency Management Director Tom-Eighmie, and Economic Development Director Fred Messore in a meeting with Tim Bannon of the Governor’s Office requesting bonding from the state for the July 8, 2011 storm.
4. Attended a Forum hosted by Senator Richard Blumenthal, Representative Rosa DeLauro, and Representative Chris Murphy concerning flooding along the Housatonic River from Cornwall to Derby. There are different issues in different areas, and a regional approach to the issue is recommended.
5. Attended the 1st annual “Smoke in the Valley” Beer and Chili Festival. I served as a judge for the chili.
7. Met with DEEP Officials at Fish-By-Pass. People involved wanted to visit site to plan a canoe launch area.
8. Saturday, October 8, 2011 at 5:00PM will be the Re-dedication ceremony for the Civil War Statue at French Park.

ITEM # 4 – Public Comment.
The First Selectman has asked that the public comment portion of this meeting be limited to 3 minutes per person due to the large amount of people present this evening.

Paul Sciaraffa, 160 West Church Street: The Town replaced the sidewalks in front of his home a couple years ago and there has been a large gap between the lip of the driveway and the road. He is working with the First Selectman and was told there would be 3 quotes for the repairs from the Town Engineer. Paul Roy: States that he received 2 quotes and is waiting to get the third tomorrow and will notify him when all of the information is gathered.
Noah Watson, 21 Shelton Street: Has come to the First Selectman about opening the Skate Park again. Have had problems with the police telling him and his friends that they will be arrested. All they want to do is skate and bike. They feel it is a great way to stay healthy and active.

Paul Roy: States that when the plans begin for the new Skate Park to be put up he would like the boys involved.

James Brennan, 124 Bungay Road: Public Works has begun the work with the drainage around his property and moving the catch basins as promised. He is waiting to take action on the re-classification of his property.

Richard Yarosh, 107 New Haven Road, Seymour Auto Wrecking: Received a voice mail from the First Selectman last Friday stating that he spoke to the Assessor about some of the issues that were discussed at the last Board of Selectmen Meeting. But feels there is still more work to be done on the main points he had made about double taxation, harassment and misinformation. He states that he also just received another personal property bill that doesn’t belong to him and wants to see something get done.

John Boanno, 25 Walnut Street: States that he wanted to be on the agenda because he felt since the last meeting he had more questions. Brings several large photos of water on the road. Speaks about the Public Nuisance Laws in Connecticut and feels that is relevant to his issues. Also, speaks about the water samples being very high in ecoli counts and that is dangerous.

Rick Yarosh, 46 Skokarat Street and owner of YB Paving: Wants to state again how upsetting his and his families experience with the Seymour Assessor has been and is very concerned about being double taxed.

Sean Walsh, 126 Pearl Street: Is in support of the transfers that are on the agenda tonight for the Consoles for the Police Department and the Public Works vehicles. This is necessary equipment that the Town needs to run efficiently.

ITEM # 5 – Approve minutes from Board of Selectmen meeting on 9/20/11.
Motion to approve minutes from Board of Selectmen meetings on 9/20/11.
Motion: Philip Wilhelmy Second: Karl Trybus
Vote: 7-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 6 – Approve minutes from Special Board of Selectmen meeting on 9/28/11.
Motion to approve minutes from Special Board of Selectmen meeting on 9/28/11.
Motion: Philip Wilhelmy Second: Annmarie Drugonis
Vote: 4-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 7 – Act in Lieu of Special Town Meeting concerning approving expenditure for roof replacement and transfer switch for the generator at the Public Works Department in the amount of $90,000.00.
No Action taken. Motion passed at the Special Town Meeting with a vote of 54 – 0.

ITEM # 8 – Discussion with Seymour Tax Assessor concerning issues with 124 Bungay Road and Seymour Auto Wrecking.
The Seymour Tax Assessor requests that these discussions be held in executive session.
ITEM # 9 – Executive Session (Personnel, Contract Negotiations, Pending Litigation).
Motion to go into executive session with the Board of Selectmen, Town Counsel, Assessor Joe Kusiak, Caroline Nadeau, and Norris Person for a personnel issue at 7:50PM.
Motion: Philip Wilhelmy  Second: W. Kurt Miller
Vote: 7-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

Motion to come out of executive session with no motions or action taken at 8:50PM.
Motion: Philip Wilhelmy  Second: John Conroy
Vote: 7-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 10 – Open RFP’s for Banking Services and give to Finance Director for recommendation for the October 18, 2011 Board of Selectmen meeting.
Three RFP’s were received in the First Selectman’s office.
Motion to give the RFP’s to the Finance Director and a small committee for review and recommendation for the next meeting on October 18, 2011.
Motion: Philip Wilhelmy  Second: Annmarie Drugonis
Vote: 7-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 11 – Go out to bid for gas burner conversion to the current heating system at the Seymour Public Library and have bids come into the First Selectman’s Office Tuesday, November 1, 2011 @ 4:00PM.
Motion to go out to bid for gas burner conversion to the current heating system at the Seymour Public Library and have bids come into the First Selectman’s Office Tuesday, November 1, 2011 @ 4:00PM.
Motion: Philip Wilhelmy  Second: Annmarie Drugonis
Vote: 7-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 12 – Award bid for HVAC Maintenance Contract for Town Buildings, per recommendation from Town Engineer.
Motion to award bid for HVAC Maintenance Contract for Town Buildings to Ralph Mann & Sons from Ansonia, CT for $4,710.00 per Town Engineer recommendations.
Motion: Philip Wilhelmy  Second: W. Kurt Miller
Vote: 7-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 13 – Waive bidding for roof replacement for Public Works Garage.
Four quotes were given to the Town for the roof replacement on the Public Works Garage. The Town Engineer has submitted a recommendation based on those quotes.
Motion to waive the bidding for the roof replacement on the Public Works Garage.
Motion: Philip Wilhelmy  Second: W. Kurt Miller
Vote: 4-Yes (Paul Roy, Philip Wilhelmy, Karl Trybus, Saundra Gesek) 3-No (W. Kurt Miller, Annmarie Drugonis, John Conroy) 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 14 – Award bid for roof replacement for Public Works Garage, per recommendation from Town Engineer.
The Town Engineer reviewed the quotes received from 4 roofing companies and has recommended DiGiorgi Roofing & Siding, Inc. for $76,949.00. This quote was recommended because they offered the 3 inch polyiso insulation board for a reasonable price.
Motion to accept the quote and hire DiGiorgi Roofing & Siding to replace the Public Works Garage roof for $76,949.00, per Town Engineer recommendation.
Motion: Philip Wilhelmy  Second: W. Kurt Miller

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ITEM # 15 – Waive taxes on property at 14 Chestnut Street/Casagrande Field/George J. Hummel Little League.
Motion to waive taxes on the property at 14 Chestnut Street/Casagrande Field/George J. Hummel Little League in the amount of $5,778.50.
Motion: Philip Wilhelmy Second: W. Kurt Miller
Vote: 7-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 16 – Appointments.
Paul would like to appoint Doug Thomas, Bill Sawicki, Jeff Coe, and Bob Koskelowski to review the RFP’s for Banking Services and have recommendations back to the Board of Selectmen for their next meeting on October 18, 2011.

ITEM # 17 – Tax Refunds/Abatements.
Motion to approve tax refunds in the amount of $5,722.10.
Motion: Philip Wilhelmy Second: W. Kurt Miller
Vote: 7-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 18 – Transfers.
Motion to transfer $60,000 from fund balance acct into Emergency Management Communications Acct 1-001-410-1950-530-866 for a down payment on purchase of emergency management communications console with the remainder being financed through leasing options.
Motion: Philip Wilhelmy Second: Karl Trybus
Rescind Motion: Philip Wilhelmy Rescind Second: Karl Trybus

Motion to place on the table to set a Special Joint Board of Selectmen and Board of Finance meeting to discuss purchase and finance options on the Emergency Console, Pay-Loader and Dump Truck.
Motion: Philip Wilhelmy Second: Karl Trybus
Vote: 7-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

Motion to set a Special Joint Board of Selectmen and Board of Finance meeting to discuss purchase and finance options on the Emergency Console, Pay-Loader and Dump Truck for Thursday, October 6, 2011 @ 6:30PM.
Motion: Philip Wilhelmy Second: Karl Trybus
Vote: 7-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

Motion to table transfer # 5 for $35,000.
Motion: Philip Wilhelmy Second: Karl Trybus
Vote: 7-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

Motion to table transfer #6 for $30,000.
Motion: Philip Wilhelmy Second: Karl Trybus
Vote: 7-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 19 – Correspondence.
- Check Registers.
- Minutes Special Board of Selectmen 9-14-11.
- Letter from Board of Education confirming payment of $57,433.74 for servers and sans from Chatfield LoPresti project.
- Letter from State on bridge inspections.
- Letter to John Boanno regarding being on the Agenda.
- Town Clerk Report for September 2011.

ITEM # 20 – Other Business.
None.

ITEM # 21 – Public Comment.
Bob Koskelowski, 130 Pearl Street: Requests to be on the review board for banking services.

John Boanno, 25 Walnut Street: Shows more pictures to the Board of the flooding in his area and requests to be put on the agenda for the next meeting to discuss his ecoli counts.

Sean Walsh, 126 Pearl Street: Explains that the quotes he submitted to the Board for the pricing of the vehicles were not bids. These prices are for purchase now. After January the prices will be going up due to emissions upgrades that will be mandatory. Will get as much information as he can for Thursday’s meeting.

ITEM # 22 – Selectmen’s Public Comments.
John Conroy: Asks that the Public Works Board consider looking at older models of the vehicles that are on lots already, which will have emissions issues.

W. Kurt Miller: There are only 9 – 10 months left until the new school is ready, and would like to know what is going on with the other buildings (LoPresti, 98 Bank Street, and the Community Center).
Paul Roy: The 98 Bank Street Committee met last night and is close to their decision. Will be appointing a committee for the LoPresti School and if anyone is interested to let him know.

Annmarie Drugonis: OSHA Report?
Paul Roy: No Report Yet.
Annmarie Drugonis: Would like meeting notes put online on time. There is some missing.
Paul Roy: We get them up as we get them.

Motion to go into executive session for pending litigation at 10:00PM with Town Counsel, Board of Selectmen and Dennis Rozum.
Motion: Philip Wilhelmy  Second: Annmarie Drugonis
Vote: 7-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

Motion to come out of executive session with no motions or action taken at 10:11PM.
Motion: Philip Wilhelmy  Second: Karl Trybus
Vote: 7-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

Motion to authorize Town Counsel to go forward with discussion held in executive session concerning 20 Bellevue Terrace, Seymour.
Motion: Philip Wilhelmy  Second: John Conroy
Vote: 7-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify
ITEM # 23 – Adjournment.
Motion to adjourn at 10:13PM.
Motion: Annmarie Drugonis
Vote: 7-Yes 0-No

Second: Karl Trybus
0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

Submitted by,
Deirdre Caruso,
Recording Secretary

Reviewed by,
Paul Roy,
First Selectman