MINUTES
Board of Selectmen
Tuesday, October 19, 2010 @ 7:30PM
Norma Drummer Room/Seymour Town Hall

Not present: Annmarie Drugonis.
Others present: Ed Pollack, Frank Loda, Sean Walsh, Sam Mirlis, Howard Simpson, Mary Jezierny, and Alfred Yagovane.

ITEM # 1 – Call meeting to order.
The First Selectman calls the meeting to order at 7:30PM.

ITEM # 2 – Pledge of Allegiance.
Everyone salutes the Flag and states the Pledge of Allegiance.

ITEM # 3 – Approve minutes from Board of Selectmen Public Hearing on 10/5/10.
Motion to approve minutes from Board of Selectmen Public Hearing on 10/5/10.
Motion: Karl Trybus Second: Saundra Gesek
Vote: 3-Yes (Paul Roy, Karl Trybus, Saundra Gesek) 0-No 3-Abstain (W. Kurt Miller, John Conroy, Philip Wilhelmy) 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 4 – Approve minutes from Board of Selectmen meeting on 10/5/10.
Motion to approve minutes from Board of Selectmen meeting on 10/5/10.
Motion: W. Kurt Miller Second: John Conroy
Vote: 5-Yes (Paul Roy, Karl Trybus, Saundra Gesek, W. Kurt Miller, John Conroy) 0-No 1-Abstain (Philip Wilhelmy) 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 5 – First Selectman’s Report.
- Economic Development Advisory Committee met with Sheila O’Malley from Shelton EDC and Jim Ryan from Derby, who gave insight on how they operate in their communities. The Committee will meet again on October 28, 2010.
- Met with DEP, VCOG, EPA, owner and neighbors surrounding the Housatonic Wire fire. Discussed steps and precautions that will be taken when it is time to demolish, which include air monitoring, cleanup and notifications.
- STP Grant has been applied for to resurface Rimmon Street. Meeting with VCOG, Town Engineer, CT DOT, and the Public Works Director. The Town’s share of the project will be approximately $68,000 to $70,000, which is approximately 10%.
- Meeting concerning the Greenway Project on 10/14/10 and all dept heads and chairmen of boards were invited. A lot of input was received and the meeting was run by David Elder of VCOG.
- Received $10,000 from AT&T for the Easement at Chatfield School. This money can be used for anything the Town decides, possible committee to decide.
- Ground breaking ceremony at Chatfield School was held on 10/14/10. Several Board of Education, Chatfield LoPresti Committee, Theresa Conroy, FUSCO, and children from both schools were in attendance along with many others.
The Culture & Arts Commission will be holding their annual Downtown Trick or Treat Event on Saturday, October 30, 2010 from 1:00PM to 3:00PM.

There will be a Health Fair held on Thursday, October 21, 2010 for Town Employees and Board of Education Employees at the Seymour Community Center Gym to help promote healthy living.

There will be a Pasta Fundraiser on Sunday, October 24, 2010 at the Ansonia Boys and Girls Club to raise money for two of our Seymour High School Dance Team members who have been chosen to participate in the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade for 2010. If you cannot attend you may still send a donation VIA Alex Danka.

A Thank You letter was received from the Bridgeport Firefighters for allowing them to use the Town of Seymour's Gator for the VIBES concert that was held at Seaside Park this summer.

The Seymour Police Department along with many other sponsors are holding the Town of Seymour's First Annual Trunk or Treat Event on Halloween, Sunday October 31, 2010 at the Seymour Middle School. You must be registered to attend and you may get registration forms on the Town website, at Town Hall or at the Police Department.

The First Selectman has been in contact with Mr. Spector of Tri-Town Plaza who will be in Town later this week and would like to possibly meet to discuss plans for the Plaza. No confirmation on the meeting as of yet.

ITEM # 6 – Public Comment.

Gary Bruce, 84 Great Hill Road: Seeking a position on the Board of Fire Commissioners. The Great Hill Hose has submitted to the First Selectman two names that were nominated for the position and the First Selectman needs to pick one. Mr. Bruce explains his credentials and resume to the Board and states that he would be the right candidate for the position.

Ed Pollack, 25 Walnut Street: Has been requesting information since March of 2010 and would like a letter stating what the Town has done for his flooding problem.

Frank Loda, 27 Osprey Drive: Asks if the First Selectman to give him an answer on his request from April 2010 concerning new language on the Videotaping Rules.

Al Yagovane, 27 Washington Avenue: States that the Broad Street Park Project is moving along thanks to the support of the Katharine Matthies Foundation Grant that was received. He states that the benches have been ordered and the bricks are still being worked on. Also asks about whether the Chatfield LoPresti Project Contractors are hiring non union labor.

John Conroy: States that they can hire non-union workers, but still must pay prevailing wages, which are set by the State.

ITEM # 7 – Adopt modifications to the existing Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance. Motion to adopt the modifications presented to the existing Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance.

Motion: W. Kurt Miller Second: John Conroy

Vote: 6-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify
Motion to place on the table to amend motion made at the July 13, 2010 Board of Selectmen meeting concerning the 2-Year lease for the Valley Fire Chiefs.
Motion: Philip Wilhelmy  Second: Karl Trybus
Vote: 6-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

Motion to amend the motion made at the July 13, 2010 Board of Selectmen meeting to change from a 2-year lease for the Valley Fire Chiefs at the Community Center to a 4-Year lease.
Motion: Philip Wilhelmy  Second: Karl Trybus
Vote: 6-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 8 - Set Special Town Meeting for Lease for the Valley fire Chiefs at the Community Center for Tuesday, November 9, 2010 @ 7:00PM in the Norma Drummer Room/Seymour Town Hall.
Motion to set Special Town Meeting for Lease for the Valley fire Chiefs at the Community Center for Tuesday, November 9, 2010 @ 7:00PM in the Norma Drummer Room/Seymour Town Hall.
Motion: John Conroy  Second: Philip Wilhelmy
Vote: 6-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 9 - Recommendation from Town Engineer for STEAP Sidewalk Bid.
The Town Engineer recommends B&J Concrete LLC at $64,085.00 for the STEAP Sidewalk Project as the lowest qualified bidder. Due to the low bid the Town may be able to add additional sidewalks to be done. Karl Trybus also requests that the bonds be extended due to the incident with the cracking of the sidewalks from the last STEAP Grant Sidewalk Project.
Motion to award the STEAP Grant Sidewalk Project to B&J Concrete LLC for $64,085.00 contingent upon State approval.
Motion: Philip Wilhelmy  Second: Karl Trybus
Vote: 6-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 10 - Appointments/Re-appointments.
None.

ITEM # 11 - Tax Refunds/Abatements.
Motion to approve tax refunds in the amount of $1,070.07.
Motion: Philip Wilhelmy  Second: John Conroy
Vote: 6-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 12 - Transfers.
None.

ITEM # 13 - Correspondence.
- Check Registers.
- Police Department Enhancement Funds.
- Copy of $10,000 check that was received from AT&T for the Easement at Chatfield School.
- Letter from Al Yagovane concerning the Candlelight Services being held at Broad Street Park on November 11, 2010 at 7:00PM for Veterans Day.
Letter from Lucy McConologue, Senior Center Director concerning the grant received for new Bingo equipment. She has provided quotes for the equipment and would like the Board of Selectmen's blessing. *Blessing is given."

ITEM # 14 – Other Business.
None.

ITEM # 15 – Public Comment.
Al Yagovane, 27 Washington Avenue: Reminds the Board members and other attendees of the Candlelight Services that will be held for Veterans Day on November 11, 2010 at 7:00PM at Broad Street Park with refreshments following at the VFW on Great Hill Road.

ITEM # 16 – Selectmen's Public Comment.
W. Kurt Miller: Would like to consider emailing the Board of Selectmen meeting packets to save paper and postage. Also consider in the future possibly having I-Pads for the Board and Commission members to use.
Fred Stanek: States that in December, the Board of Education will have a speaker at one of their meetings to discuss the I-Pad and possibility for electronic meetings for their Board and school system.

ITEM # 17 – Executive Session (Contract Negotiations, Pending Litigation, Personnel).
None.

ITEM # 18 – Adjournment.
Motion to adjourn at 8:11PM.
Motion: Karl Trybus                Second: Philip Wilhelmy
Vote: 6-Yes                     0-Abstain           0-Disqualify

Submitted by,                     Reviewed by,
Deirdre Caruso,                   Paul Roy,
Recording Secretary                First Selectman