MINUTES
Board of Selectmen
Tuesday, June 1, 2010 @ 7:30PM
Norma Drummer Room/Seymour Town Hall

Others present: Ed Pollack, Frank Conroy, Jay Jaffer, Walt Birdsell, John Stelma, Frank Loda, Sean Walsh, Alex Danka, and John Boanno.

ITEM # 1 - Call meeting to order.
The First Selectman opened the meeting 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 meeting on 5/18/10.
Motion to approve minutes from Board of Selectmen meeting on 5/18/10.
Motion: Philip Wilhelmy Second: Karl Trybus
Vote: 7-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 4 - First Selectman's Report.
- Attended Veteran's Ceremony at Ansonia Armory, which was run by Theresa Conroy and Rep. Gentile. There were approximately 700 people.
- Attended meeting of Naugatuck Valley Corridor Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy Committee- working with River Falls Project.
- Bill Paecht is the new Zoning Enforcement Officer, started Monday, May 17, 2010.
- Held a meeting with the seniors at the Seymour Senior Center to discuss issues.
- Met with Superintendent Maryann Mascolo, Ed Strumello, and Rick Belden. They asked my opinions on the school budget, I told them I believed School Administrators need to take furlough days as the other town employees have.
- Attended SHS Awards night, and I presented scholarships to 2 seniors.

ITEM # 5 - Public Comment.
Ed Pollack, 25 Walnut Street: Continuing to have many issues on his property.
Brought a water sample to the Town and feels that the water coming off of the hill is contaminated. Wetland Enforcement Officer is checking on the costs associated with water testing. Expresses further dissatisfaction on the lack of help he is receiving.

ITEM # 6 - Authorize use of Surplus Capital Project Funds. (Take Action).
A memo was received from the Finance Director stating that the Town completed Capital Projects totaling $393,109.00, which represents four closed projects. The projects are the Police Station, WPCA Sewer Fund, Park Infrastructure Improvement Fund and Water Line Extension. Bond Counsel has advised that these funds be applied to debt service cost.
Motion to
Motion: Philip Wilhelmy  Second: John Conroy
Vote: 7-Yes  0-No  0-Abstain  0-Disqualify

ITEM # 7 - Approve LOCIP funds to be used for road repairs. (Take action)
The Public Works Director is requesting $2,000.00 from LOCIP Funds for road repairs
and potholes. Some of the streets include: Manners Avenue, West Church Street,
Henry Street, Bungay Road, Roberts Street, and Chestnut Street.
Motion to approve the use of LOCIP funds in the amount of $2,000.00 for pothole
repairs throughout town.
Motion: John Conroy  Second: Karl Trybus
Vote: 7-Yes  0-No  0-Abstain  0-Disqualify

ITEM # 8 - Report on Skate Park. (Take possible Action)
Some statistics have been presented concerning the condition of the Skate Park. Per
Public Works Director the cost to temporarily repair the Skate Park will be
approximately $2,600.00. The salary paid for the 2009 season was $7,456.00 and the
total income from the park was $2,400.00. The Skate-Lite Masonite boards that are
needed for the repairs are $180.00 per 4'X8' sheet. The fence would also need to be
replaced due to the vandalism. The skate park is a liability at this point. The DEP
will be replacing the Skate Park when they complete the Fish by Pass Project.

Motion to have Public Works dismantle the Skate Park prior to the Fish by Pass
Project due to monetary and liability reasons.
Motion: Philip Wilhelmy  Second: John Conroy
Vote: 7-Yes  0-No  0-Abstain  0-Disqualify

ITEM # 9 - Approve Travel Logs for stipend employees and bus driver. (Take action)
The First Selectman in an attempt to curb spending asks the Board of Selectmen to
approve travel logs for the employees who get stipends for travel. These employees
include the Senior Center Bus Driver, Zoning Enforcement Officer, Wetlands
Enforcement Officer, Blight Enforcement Officers, Registrars, and Building Officials.
These logs will be due to the First Selectman’s Office on a weekly basis.

Motion to implement the weekly travel logs as of 6/2/10 for all stipend employees.
Motion: John Conroy  Second: Karl Trybus
Vote: 7-Yes  0-No  0-Abstain  0-Disqualify

ITEM # 10 - Take action on Town Counsel fee schedule.
This item had been tabled at the last few meetings pending more information. The
First Selectman and John Conroy have both brought information to the Board
members. There was a lengthy discussion concerning the $160.00 per hour rate that
was approved by the Board of Selectmen on December 16, 2009. The Board members
along with Town Counsel have decided on a compromise for the time period from
December 2009 through the end of June 2010 to have the hourly rate for Town
Counsel be $145.00 and from July 1, 2010 on it will be $160.00.
Motion to rescind motion from 12/16/10 to appoint Colleen Fries as Town Counsel for an hourly rate of $160.00.
Rescind Motion: Philip Wilhelmy Rescind Second: Karl Trybus
Vote: 7-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

Motion to appoint Colleen Fries and the law firm of Coyne, Von Kuhn, Brady & Fries, LLC as Town Counsel at an hourly rate of $145.00 effective December 2009 through the end of June 2010 and starting July 1, 2010 the hourly rate will be $160.00.
Motion: Philip Wilhelmy Second: John Conroy
Vote: 6-Yes (John Conroy, Paul Roy, Philip Wilhelmy, Annmarie Drugonis, Karl Trybus, Saundra Gesek) 1-No (W. Kurt Miller) 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 11 - Appointments.
Motion to appoint Paul Mirabelle to the Chatfield LoPresti Committee for a 1-Year term expiring 6/1/11.
Motion: W. Kurt Miller Second: Philip Wilhelmy
Vote: 7-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 12 - Tax Refunds/Abatements.
None.

ITEM # 13 - Transfers.
None.

ITEM # 14 - Correspondence.
- Check Registers.
- Police Enhancement Funds.
- Copy of Letter to First Selectman from Board of Public Works regarding 25 Walnut Street.

ITEM # 15 - Other Business.
Motion to place on the table lockers at the Community Center.
Motion: W. Kurt Miller Second: Karl Trybus
Vote: 7-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

Alex Danka, Board Member of Ansonia Boys & Girls Club is requesting that the extra lockers that are at the Seymour Community Center be donated to the Boys & Girls Club so the children can have places to put their things at the club. Paul Roy will have the custodians check how many can be donated and the Boys & Girls Club will pick them up.
Motion to donate lockers from the Community Center to the Ansonia Boys & Girls Club.
Motion: W. Kurt Miller Second: Karl Trybus
Vote: 7-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

Motion to place on the table Senior Tax Credit for 2010/2011.
Motion: Karl Trybus Second: Philip Wilhelmy
Vote: 7-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

Motion to approve $140.00 Senior Tax Credit for 348 applicants for 2010/2011.
Motion: John Conroy  Second: Philip Wilhelmy
Vote: 7-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

Motion to place on the table to waive bidding on removal and installation of an air handler at the Police Department.
Motion: Karl Trybus  Second: Annmarie Drugonis
Vote: 7-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

Motion to waive the bidding on removal and installation of an air handler at the Police Department.
Motion: W. Kurt Miller  Second: Karl Trybus
Vote: 7-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

Annmarie Drugonis excuses herself from the meeting for the next item.

Motion to place on the table proposal from Clean Harbors for mold removal at the Police Department.
Motion: Philip Wilhelmy  Second: John Conroy
Vote: 6-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

Motion to accept the proposal from Clean Harbors to remove the mold in the Police Department.
Motion: W. Kurt Miller  Second: Karl Trybus
Motion rescinded: W. Kurt Miller  Second rescinded: Karl Trybus

Motion to table proposal from Clean Harbors to remove mold from the Police Department until more quotes are received from other companies to come in for the July 13, 2010 meeting.
Motion: Philip Wilhelmy  Second: W. Kurt Miller
Vote: 6-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

Annmarie Drugonis returns to the meeting.

Motion to place on the table to set an additional referendum machine vote for the 2010/2011 Board of Education budget if needed.
Motion: Philip Wilhelmy  Second: John Conroy
Vote: 7-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

Motion to set an additional referendum date for the 2010/2011 Board of Education budget for Thursday, June 24, 2010 from 6:00AM to 8:00PM at the Seymour Community Center, if needed.
Motion: Philip Wilhelmy  Second: W. Kurt Miller
Vote: 7-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 16 - Public Comment.
Walter Birdsell, 42 Jupiter Drive: Huge pot holes on Roberts Street, Chestnut Street, and North Street. Dennis Rozum states that he will put those streets on the list for repairs.

ITEM # 17 – Selectmen’s Public Comment.
John Conroy: Would like to thank Colleen Fries for compromising with the Town on the hourly rate for the Town Counsel position and urges the Board of Finance to approve this rate.

Annmarie Drugonis: Would like the Town to see what they can do for the residents at 25 Walnut Street.

Philip Wilhelmy: Would also like the Town Engineer to get involved with the situation at 25 Walnut Street.

ITEM # 18 – Executive Session (Contract Negotiations, Personnel, Pending Litigation). None.

ITEM # 19 – Adjournment.
Motion to adjourn at 8:34PM.
Motion: Annmarie Drugonis
Second: Philip Wilhelmy
Vote: 7-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

Submitted by,  
Deirdre Caruso,  
Recording Secretary

Reviewed by,  
Paul Roy,  
First Selectman