MINUTES
Board of Selectmen
Tuesday, May 4, 2010 @ 7:30PM
Norma Drummer Room/Seymour Town Hall


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

ITEM #2- Pledge of Allegiance.
Everyone saluted the flag and said the Pledge of Allegiance.

ITEM #3- Approve minutes from Board of Selectmen Meeting on 4/20/10.
Motion to approve minutes from the Board of Selectmen meeting on 4/20/10.
Motion: John Conroy
Second: Philip Wilhelmy
Vote: 7-Yes
0-No
0-Abstain
0-Disqualify

ITEM #4- Approve minutes from Special Board of Selectmen Meeting on 4/22/10.
Motion to approve minutes from the Board of Selectmen meeting on 4/22/10.
Motion: W. Kurt Miller
Second: Philip Wilhelmy
Vote 5- Yes (Paul Roy, W. Kurt Miller, John Conroy, Saundra Gesek, Phil Wilhelmy)
0-No 2-Abstain(Karl Trybus, Annmarie Drugonis) 0-Disqualify

ITEM #5- First Selectman’s Report
• Earth Day clean up – about 20 people showed up in the rain
• Received tree grant for approximately $1400.00 for trees at a dog shelter
• attended the governor’s award ceremony honoring Marion O’Keefe and others for tourism and culture contributions.
• Received a call from a resident about a tombstone for Ebenezer Johnson- would like to donate it to the historical society.
• Attended Career Day at Bungay School – spoke to 3rd to 5th grade students about my job.
• Negotiations are ongoing- Rick Belden, Phil Wilhelmy, and Jim Simpson are advising
• Flag Pole has been painted (painter to remain anonymous).
• Letter carrier food drive- Saturday May 8. Frank Haines will be at Stop and Shop. Others will be collecting on their routes.
ITEM#6-Public Comment.
Robert Koskelowski, 130 Pearl St.: Is still questioning Town Counsel salary, believes we should not have an increase in it. He asked about eliminating some part time positions in the town, thought that would help the budget.

ITEM#7-Act in Lieu of Special Town Meeting. (Take Action)
Motion to place on the table a motion to authorize the issue of notes in anticipation of the receipt of taxes for the fiscal year commencing on July 1, 2010, in an amount not to exceed $2,000,000 to pay current expenses and obligations of the Town, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen, or its designees, to determine, the amount, date, interest rates, maturities form and other details of the notes, and to bind the Town pursuant to such representations and covenants as deemed necessary or advisable in order to maintain the continued exemption from Federal Income Taxation of interest on the notes, including covenants to pay rebates of investment earnings to the United States in future years.
Motion: John Conroy
Second: Philip Wilhelmy
Vote: 7-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

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Motion: John Conroy
Second: Philip Wilhelmy
Vote: 7-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

ITEM #8-Executive Session (Contract Negotiations- Administrators Union Contract, Personnel- Workman's Compensation, Pending Litigation- Tri-Town Plaza).
Motion to go into Executive Session for Contract Negotiations for Administrators Union Contract, Personnel-Workman’s Compensation, and Pending Litigation with Tri-Town Plaza, with the Board of Selectmen and Town Counsel at 7:45PM
Motion: Annmarie Drugonis
Second: Karl Trybus
Vote: 7-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

Motion to come out of Executive Session at 9:47PM, and no motions or votes were taken.
Motion: Annmarie Drugonis
Second: Philip Wilhelmy
Vote: 7-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify
Motion to accept recommendation of Attorney Blake on Worker’s Comp. settlement that’s in litigation.
Motion: Phil Wilhelmy           Second: John Conroy
Vote: 7-Yes   0-No   0-Abstain   0- Disqualify

Motion to authorize Town Counsel to go into negotiation for a resolution with Tri-Town Plaza litigation in accordance with discussion that took place in Executive Session.
Motion: Philip Wilhelmy           Second: Karl Trybus
Vote: 5-Yes(Annmarie Drugonis,Philip Wilhelmy,Karl Trybus,John Conroy, Saundra Gesek)   1-No- (W. Kurt Miller)   0-Abstain   1- Disqualify (Paul Roy)

Motion to accept agreement between Town of Seymour and Local 818 Connecticut Counsel number 4 representing the Administration Union.
Motion: Annmarie Drugonis           Second: Philip Wilhelmy
Vote: 6-Yes ( Paul Roy, Annmarie Drugonis, Philip Wilhelmy, Karl Trybus, John Conroy, Saundra Gesek)   1-No (W. Kurt Miller)   0-Abstain   0- Disqualify

Motion to move Item 11 (Report from the Police Commission concerning Capital Plan and Special Accounts) to next item on the agenda.
Motion: John Conroy           Second: W. Kurt Miller
Vote: 7-Yes   0-No   0-Abstain   0- Disqualify

John Conroy mentioned he did not see Police vehicles in Capital Plans, perhaps they have been in the police budgets? Also, where are replacement of air handlers and bullet proof vests? Enhancement funds, Seizure funds, can we use those funds instead of Capital Funds?
Chief Metzler says cars have been in the regular budget on line 745, and he has been buying them 3 one year, 2 the next, 2 the following year. The vests are the responsibility of the town to be providing, not coming out of the special funds. The Seizure Account has many stipulations in order to use it. The Enhancement Fund account has about $33,000.00 in it, may be able to use that. The Police Station roof has two issues, roof leaks, mold issues that have to be addressed, second, is the air handler for the second floor roof, to get the moisture out that is causing mold on the ceiling tiles. That will cost about $3,500.00 which should be able to be covered by the Enhancement Fund money.
Chief Metzler would like to buy a total of 40 vests, 10 per year, over a 4 year period at $700.00 each.
John Conroy asked how is the overtime situation? The Chief states that the overtime is already at 185 and has 2 months to go. Paul asked what portion do you get reimbursed for that? The Chief stated that the last reimbursement received was about $16,000.00 for a D.U.I. grant, but will not see another one until July 2010. He claimed he has some extra money (about $6,200.00) he can use from the Housing Authority, but, he would prefer not to, claiming he may need that for next year.
ITEM#9- Review and approve Parking Agreements relative to Fish Ladder Project.
Part of the fish ladder project concerns parking where the tenants of the apartments near the project are now living. 20-25 spots are going to be taken. Paul and Mr. Nesteriak are in agreement to use the gravel lot behind the brick building across the street from the entrance to the Town Hall. The Post Office employees that work downtown that used to park in that lot will now park in the parking lot that is owned by Diversified Electronics. The DEP will bill the expenses of that lot into the expenses they will enter into with the Town. The project will start in early fall.
Per Fred Stanek, Mr. Nesteriak would need to place a sign saying “only Oakridge/Fallview tenants and guests can use this parking lot, all others will be towed at owners expense.”
Motion to allow Town Counsel to enter into discussions with Diversified Electronics with the understanding that the fee will be part of the state contract.
Motion: John Conroy Second: W. Kurt Miller
Vote: 7-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify
Motion to allow Oakbridge/Fallview Associates, LLC to lease parking lot at 3 Wakeley St.
Motion: John Conroy Second: Karl Trybus
Vote: 7-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

ITEM#10- Discuss and take possible action on Town Counsel fee schedule.
Motion by Philip Wilhelmy to table item 10 to the next Board of Selectmen meeting.
Motion: Philip Wilhelmy Second: John Conroy
Vote: 7-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

ITEM#12- Set additional referendum machine vote for the 2010/2011 budget on May 18, 2010 from 6am to 8pm at the Seymour Community Center, if needed.
Motion to set additional referendum machine vote for the 2010/2011 budget on May 18, 2010 from 6am to 8pm at the Seymour Community Center, if needed.
Motion: John Conroy Second: Karl Trybus
Vote: 7-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

Motion to place on the table using LOCIP funds to purchase and install wooden guard rails at the intersection of Old Drive and Rimmon St. to replace existing cement blocks.
Motion: W. Kurt Miller Second: Philip Wilhelmy
Vote: 7-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify
Motion to allow Public Works to use LOCIP money to purchase to and install wooden guard rails at the intersection of Old Drive and Rimmon St. to replace existing cement blocks at a cost of $2,129.00.
Motion: Karl Trybus Second: John Conroy
Vote: 7-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify
ITEM# 13- Appointments.
None.

ITEM#14- Tax Refunds/Abatements.
Motion to approve tax refunds in the amount of $64.87.
Motion: W. Kurt Miller Second: Karl Trybus
Vote: 7- Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

ITEM#15- Transfers.
#15a: Motion to approve the revised transfer request for communications for $16450.00 from Bulky Waste 10014101940520310 for $3000.00 and from other purchase services 10014101940520500 for $1450.00 and from Conservation 10014101950530859 for $3000.00 and from contingency 10014101950530872 for $9000.00 into machinery and equipment 10014202151540740 for $16450.00 revised from BOS meeting 4/20/10.
Motion: John Conroy Second: Philip Wilhelmy
Vote: 7- Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

#15b: Motion to approve the transfer request for communications for $7,500.00 from Purchased Serviced Services EDC MDP 10014101330435310 for $3000.00 and from Registrars Purchased Services 10014101400440310 for $2500.00 and Purchased Services Tax Office 10014101515455500 for $1000.00 and Education Seminars 10014101522465350 for $1000.00 for $7,500.00 to pay phone bills.
Motion: John Conroy Second: Karl Trybus
Vote: 7- Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

ITEM#16- Correspondence.
- Check Registers.
- Letter from Valley Community Foundation RE: Check for Save the Strand Fundraiser.
- Letter from Atty. Fries confirming that Atty. Teodosio reviewed new policies that were approved on 4/20/10 that will go into effect on 7/1/10.
- Paul met with person from Valley Regional Fire Training School to ask about renting an office and classroom space in the Seymour Middle School.

ITEM#17- Other Business.
Paul received notification today that Moody’s matched S&P’s rating for the Town of Seymour so that brings us up to a double AA minus. It makes our position to borrow money a little better.

ITEM#18-Public Comment.
None.

ITEM#19-Selectmen’s Public Comment.
Paul said there is a surplus of about $16,000.00 in the overall budget that comes from Department Heads watching all P.O.’s. that are needed. He said some of the
Department heads come in to talk with Paul to see if they really need that P.O. now, or can wait until the next fiscal year. Kurt asked if we can get an update like this at each meeting until the end of the year. Paul said yes.

ITEM#20- Adjournment.
Motion to adjourn at 10:30PM.
Motion: Annmarie Drugonis
Vote: 7-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify
Second:W. Kurt Miller

Submitted by,

Cindy Bernardini
Recording Secretary

Reviewed by,

Paul Roy
First Selectman