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Town of Seymour
Board of Selectman
MINUTES
Regular Meeting
Tuesday, April 2, 2013 @ 7:00PM
Norma Drummer Room / Seymour Town Hall

Members Present: W. Kurt Miller, Nicole Klarides-Ditria, Gary Bruce, Annmarie Drugonis, Al Bruno, Theresa Conroy, Karen Stanek and Town Counsel Rich Buturla.

Members Absent: None.

Others Present: Frank Loda, Sean Walsh, Al Yagovane, Michael Flynn, Rosalie Averill, Deirdre Caruso and Dennis Rozum.

Item #1 –Call meeting to order.

First Selectman, W. Kurt Miller called the meeting to order at 7:01pm.

Item #2 –Pledge of Allegiance.

Everyone saluted the Flag and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Item #3 –Public Comment.

None.

Item #4—First Selectman's Report.

None.

Item #5—Approve Minutes March 19, 2013 Regular Meeting.

Motion to approve Minutes from March 19, 2013 Regular Meeting.

Motion: Al Bruno

Second: Nicole Klarides-Ditria

Yes: 7

No: 0

0: Abstain

Item #6— Executive Session (personnel action, pending litigation).

None.

Item #7— Action in lieu of Special Town Meeting on transfers for Blizzard Charlotte and other miscellaneous transfers.

Motion for the Board of Selectmen to act in lieu of the Special Town Meeting in approving Transfer #7 for Blizzard Charlotte in the amount of \$599,517.55 as presented

Motion: Nicole Klarides-Ditria

Second: Theresa Conroy

Yes: 7

No: 0

0: Abstain

Motion to add to the agenda discussion and possible action on State Library \$4,000 Grant for the Town Clerk's Office.

Motion: Nicole Klarides-Ditria

Second: Karen Stanek

Yes: 7

No: 0

0: Abstain

Motion to empower the Town Clerk to execute the application and contract of the State Library Grant.

Motion: Karen Stanek

Second: Theresa Conroy

Yes: 7

No: 0

0: Abstain

Item #8— Discussion and take possible action on resolution regarding Master Agreement Regarding the Installation of Fire Suppression Standpipe Systems on Bridges at Various Locations.

Resolution read:

RESOLVED, that the Town of Seymour hereby approves the terms of that certain Master Agreement between the State of Connecticut and the Town regarding the installation of fire suppression standpipe systems on bridges at various locations (hereinafter referred to as the Master Agreement); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that W. Kurt Miller, the First Selectman of the Town of Seymour, is hereby authorized to execute the Master Agreement as First Selectman on behalf of the Town of Seymour.

Motion to accept the resolution as presented with a friendly amendment by Karen Stanek which was accepted by Al Bruno to add to the resolution “provided that the town is also given a right of termination”.

Motion: Al Bruno Second: Theresa Conroy

Yes: 7

No: 0

0: Abstain

Item #9— Discussion and take possible action on resolution regarding Lease Agreement between State of Connecticut, Department of Transportation and Town of Seymour, CT Route 8, Town of Seymour File-- No. 124-090-003B.

Resolution read:

RESOLVED, that the Town of Seymour is hereby authorized to enter into a lease agreement with the State of Connecticut pertaining to State-owned land within the Korean-Vietnam Memorial Park (also known as Broad Street Park); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that W. Kurt Miller, First Selectman of the Town of Seymour, is hereby authorized to execute the lease on behalf of the Town of Seymour; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk shall execute a certificate attesting to the adoption of this Resolution.

Motion to accept the resolution as presented.

Motion: Nicole Klarides-Ditria Second: Al Bruno

Yes: 7

No: 0

0: Abstain

Item #10— Discussion and take possible action regarding Board of Public Works recommendations regarding the hiring of Heavy Duty Equipment / Vehicle Mechanic.

Motion to offer Charles Christensen the open Public Works position of Heavy Duty Equipment / Vehicle Mechanic pending background check, license verification, pre-employment drug screening and any other screenings deemed necessary by the Town of Seymour.

Motion: Gary Bruce Second: Annmarie Drugonis

Yes: 7

No: 0

0: Abstain

Item #11— Set Annual Town Budget Meeting for Tuesday April 30, 2013 at 7:00pm at Seymour Middle School

Motion to set the Annual Town Budget Meeting for Tuesday April 30, 2013 at 7:00pm at Seymour Middle School.

Motion: Karen Stanek Second: Annmarie Drugonis
Yes: 7 No: 0 0: Abstain

Item #12— Set the First Budget Referendum for Thursday, May 9, 2013 at Seymour Community Center from 6am to 8pm.

Motion to set the First Budget Referendum for Thursday, May 9, 2013 at the Seymour Community Center from 6am to 8pm.

Motion: Al Bruno Second: Annmarie Drugonis
Yes: 7 No: 0 0: Abstain

Item #13— Set the Second Budget Referendum for Thursday, May 23, 2013 (if needed) at Seymour Community Center from 6am to 8pm.

Motion to set the Second Budget Referendum for Thursday, May 23, 2013 (if needed) at the Seymour Community Center from 6am to 8pm.

Motion: Nicole Klarides-Ditria Second: Annmarie Drugonis
Yes: 7 No: 0 0: Abstain

Item #14— Discussion and take possible action on 2013 Clean Energy Campaign

Deirdre Caruso and Dianna with CL&P and Yankee Gas discussed the Clean Energy Campaign designed to provide incentives to municipalities for reducing energy usage. The Board of Selectmen requested Dianna to provide a resolution template for review and possible action at the regular meeting on April 16, 2013.

Item #15— Report from Economic Development Director Fred Messoro.

Motion to go out of order from the Agenda until Economic Development Director, Fred Messoro is available for comments.

Motion: Nicole Klarides-Ditria Second: Annmarie Drugonis
Yes: 7 No: 0 0: Abstain

Item #16— Discussion and take possible action on Agreement between the Town of Seymour and the Seymour Conservation Trust regarding property at Chatfield Park and Legion Pool.

Completed maps have been received for review by legal counsel representing all parties involved. May 2013 is the expected date for the Board of Selectmen to receive an update or the agreement.

Motion to table discussion and take possible action on Agreement between the Town of Seymour and the Seymour Conservation Trust regarding property at Chatfield Park and Legion Pool.

Motion: Annmarie Drugonis Second: Nicole Klarides-Ditria
Yes: 7 No: 0 0: Abstain

Item #17— Discussion and take possible action on capital for Fiscal Year 2013-2014.

Five year Capital plan beginning Fiscal Year 2013-2014 was distributed to the Board of Selectmen for review and discussion.

Motion to approve the Capital Plan as presented.

Motion: Nicole Klarides-Ditria Second: Al Bruno
Yes: 7 No: 0 0: Abstain

Town Counsel is excused at 8:00pm.

Item #18— Discussion and take possible action on Building Review Committee Recommendations.

The Clean Energy Program could help greatly with some areas concerning town buildings. A draft of the LoPresti / Maple Street appraisal is expected on Wednesday April 3, 2013. Concern was heard regarding the location of the proposed Skate Park. There are two locations available to house the Skate Park; Pine Street and Sochrin Pond. Selectmen are to review location advantages /negatives to provide further discussion and possible action at the regular meeting on April 16, 2013.

Item #19— Appointments.

Motion to appoint Tom Eighmee to the Communication Commission for a term of three (3) years expiring on March 31, 2016.

Motion: Nicole Klarides-Ditria Second: Theresa Conroy
Yes: 6 No: 0 1: Abstain (Gary Bruce)

Motion to appoint Paul Haluschak Jr to the Communication Commission for a term of three (3) years expiring on March 31, 2016.

Motion: Theresa Conroy Second: Al Bruno
Yes: 6 No: 0 1: Abstain (Gary Bruce)

Motion to appoint William Jarvis to the Communication Commission for a term of three (3) years expiring on March 31, 2016.

Motion: Theresa Conroy Second: Karen Stanek
Yes: 6 No: 0 1: Abstain (Gary Bruce)

Motion to appoint Kyle Kelley to the Communication Commission for a term of three (3) years expiring on March 31, 2016.

Motion: Theresa Conroy Second: Karen Stanek
Yes: 6 No: 0 1: Abstain (Gary Bruce)

Motion to appoint Wendy Rossi to EMSOC for a term of two(2) years expiring on April 13, 2015.

Motion: Al Bruno Second: Theresa Conroy
Yes: 7 No: 0 0: Abstain

Motion to appoint Dave Scibek to Inland Wetlands Commission (Alternate) for a term of four (4) years expiring on April 2, 2017.

Motion: Nicole Klarides-Ditria Second: Al Bruno
Yes: 7 No: 0 0: Abstain

Motion to appoint Kathy Pagliaro-Rich to the Commission on Aging for a term of two (2) years expiring on April 2, 2015.

Motion: Nicole Klarides-Ditria Second: Karen Stanek
Yes: 6 No: 0 1: Abstain (Al Bruno)

Motion to appoint Tom Lavranchuk to Broad Street Park Committee for a term of two (2) years expiring on April 2, 2015.

Motion: Theresa Conroy Second: Annmarie Drugonis
Yes: 7 No: 0 0: Abstain

Motion to go out of order and return to Item #15 Report from Economic Development Director Fred Messore.

Motion: Karen Stanek
Yes: 7

Second: Nicole Klarides-Ditria
No: 0

0: Abstain

Fred Messore provided a report to the Board of Selectmen and reviewed the content. There was a detailed discussion regarding Tri-Town plaza, 24 Main Street, Seymour Lumber and various locations. Al Bruno requested information on deals to generate revenue for the next three months. Fred Messore stated he is focusing on the Greenway project, new signage and positively showing downtown.

Item #20—Tax Refunds/Abatements.

None

Item #21—Transfers.

None.

Item #22—Correspondence.

Check Register.

Letter from Town Counsel, Rich Buturla regarding an advisory question on an adjourned Town Meeting ballot.

Letter from Kurt Miller describing a change to the 2013/2014 Budget Packets.

Item #23—Public Comment.

Al Yagovane, 25 Elaine Drive: Memorial Day is coming quickly and funds are desperately needed to keep the parade going in future years. They are short on funds and need donations to keep going in 2014. Broad Street Park is moving forward and should be complete by August 18, 2013. Engraved bricks will begin getting placed in the next couple of weeks.

Mike Flynn, 85 Skokorat Street: The area only has one grocery chain and needs another. Save A lot or Price Right could be a good fit for the area.

Item #24—Selectmen's Public Comments.

Theresa Conroy: Asked if the tax abatement provided to the fire and ambulance workers taxed on the savings they receive. Kurt Miller stated yes, he would look into if the tax could be avoided. Asked if a committee will be put together for the Greenway Project. Kurt Miller stated yes, when plans are further outlined. Requested a copy of the Economic Development Director job description be sent to the Board of Selectmen.

Al Bruno: The Board of Selectmen has inherited a mess with the roads from previous administrations. The town has pot holes and garbage, it is in need of a spring clean-up. Dennis Rozum stated clean-up has begun. Derby Avenue has been completed today. Requested a copy of the Pot Hole Log Report. Kurt Miller stated he would provide the report and reminds the Board of Selectmen the Public Works department will be short staffed for the next couple of months.

Nicole Klarides-Ditria: The entrance to Public Works appears messy with dirt and piles. There is a plow and a pile of bricks visible. Dennis Rozum stated he will clean-up area but there is not much room for storage of plows.

Annamarie Drugonis: Asked the status of Quarterly Reports. Kurt Miller stated reports would be emailed on Wednesday April 3, 2013. Upon reviewing other committee meetings she noticed several committees stated personnel matters when entering executive session and do not clearly define the reason like the Board of Selectmen do. Kurt Miller stated FOI training has been offered and all boards are required to follow Robert's Rules of Order.

Gary Bruce: There will be a testimonial at Colonial Tavern on April 13, 2013 in honor of Tom Tomasheski. Thanks to Tom for a job well done as Chief.

Item #25—Adjournment.

Motion to adjourn at 9.35pm.

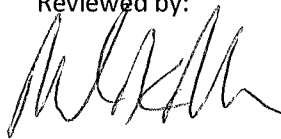
Motion: Annmarie Drugonis Second: Nicole Klarides-Ditria
Yes: 7 No: 0 0: Abstain

Submitted by:



Michelle Walsh
Recording Secretary

Reviewed by:



W. Kurt Miller
First Selectman