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**Town of Seymour  
Board of Selectman  
MINUTES  
Regular Meeting  
Tuesday, March 5, 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, Thomas Eighmie, Paul Roy and Donald Smith, Jr.

**Item #1 –Call meeting to order.**

First Selectman, W. Kurt Miller called the meeting to order at 7:02pm.

**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.**

Attended a CCM legislative lunch to discuss the Governor's proposed budget with other town officials. All agreed the proposed budget is not in the best interest of the town and cities. There is a strong, unified concern over the effects of the removal of the car tax on municipalities. The Town of Seymour would lose close to \$3.4 million. Kurt Miller is drafting a letter for the Board of Selectmen to review at the March 19, 2013.

Meeting with Shaye Roscoe with the Boys and Girls Club focusing on bringing the program into Seymour. Attended the Region 2 Emergency Planning Meeting in Guilford.

Continued work on union contracts with Department of Public Works, Town Hall Administrators and Town Hall Clerks. Renegotiating the contract with the Strand Theatre is continuing with discussions with Culture and Arts, The Knights of Columbus and the Walnut Hill Church. Met with DOT on discussions on the next step for the Rotary project for 2015

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

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

Motion: Karen Stanek                      Second: Annmarie Drugonis

Correction needed on Item #8 page 4 needs to read "7" yes instead of "6".

Yes: 7    No: 0    0: Abstain

**Item #6—Approve Minutes February 19, 2013 Public Hearing.**

Motion to approve Minutes from February 19, 2013 Public Hearing.

Motion: Theresa Conroy                      Second: Nicole Klarides-Ditria



**WHEREAS**, The Board of Selectmen of the Town of Seymour proclaim Wednesday, October 16, 2013, as "SEYMOUR PINK DAY".

**WHEREAS**, According to the most recent data, the incidence of female breast cancer in the State of Connecticut is the highest in the nation as the incidence rate for every 100,000 women is 136, while nationally the rate is 121 per 100,000.

**WHEREAS**, Komen Connecticut in 2011 developed three priorities that Seymour Pink Inc.'s mission is in line with, especially Priority 2, as follows:

Priority 1: Strengthen and build the capacity of existing breast health providers to identify, provide, and or refer patients to appropriate breast health and breast cancer programs and services in cities and towns demonstrating the highest burden of breast cancer morbidity and mortality.

Priority 2: Promote breast health awareness and the importance of screening and early detection among women across the state.

Priority 3: Increase screening resources available to women in selected cities and towns with an emphasis on high risk women, underserved women and selected women under the age of 40.

**WHEREAS**, October has been designated National Breast Cancer Awareness Month. The goal of such a designation is to bring more awareness and education about this disease to the public. The name of our Town gives us a unique advantage in helping increase awareness of breast cancer.

**THEREFORE**, by proclaiming Wednesday, October 16, 2013 as "SEYMOUR PINK DAY", the Town of Seymour will be helping the community raise awareness and asks that the residents of the Town of Seymour think pink, wear pink, and decorate pink to support the fight for a cure for breast cancer.

Dated this 5<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2013 at Seymour, Connecticut

By First Selectman W. Kurt Miller and the Seymour Board of Selectmen

Motion to accept the Proclamation of Seymour Pink Day 2013 as presented.

Motion: Theresa Conroy

Second: Nicole Klarides-Ditria

Yes: 7

No: 0

0: Abstain

**Item #10— Discussion and take possible action on Seymour/Oxford Rotary Club Seymour Seal Ornament Fundraiser.**

Town Counsel, Rich Buturla recommended the Board of Selectmen make a motion regarding the request of the Rotary Club.

Motion to accept the request of the Seymour/Oxford Rotary Club to use the Seymour Seal in an Ornament Fundraiser.

Motion: Karen Stanek

Second: Al Bruno

Yes: 7

No: 0

0: Abstain

**Item #11— Discussion and take possible action on Knights of Columbus Talent Hunt Fundraiser to benefit Fisher House.**

Motion to grant the request of the Knight of Columbus to use the Strand Theatre September 20-21, 2013 for a fundraiser to benefit Fisher House.

Motion: Theresa Conroy

Second: Al Bruno

Yes: 7

No: 0

0: Abstain

**Item #12— Discussion and take possible action on Joseph DeFelice v. Town of Seymour**

Motion to table discussion and take possible action on Joseph DeFelice v. Town of Seymour until town counsel can provide further information.

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

**Item #13— Discussion and take possible action on Agreement between the Town of Seymour and the Seymour Land Conservation Trust regarding property at Chatfield Park and Legion Pool.**

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

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

**Item #14— Discussion and take possible action on Skate Park Committee Progress.**

Paul Roy and Don Smith discussed the Skate Park progress. Changes were made to the location of the park, bringing it closer to the parking lot. Changes to the process of the foundation of the park were made providing a cost savings.

Steve Daniels provided results of the soil study done on the Skate Park building site. Recommends the town re-use the soil on site. Proposes to look into testing the air quality at the Community Center for \$2,700.

**Item #15— Discussion on Capital for Fiscal Year 2013-14.**

Kurt Miller proposed a 2013-2014 Budget that included \$100,000 in capital purchases using short term borrowing. Department heads and boards have submitted requests for items to be included in the Capital Plan. Kurt Miller plans to have a finalized plan for the March 19, 2013 Board of Selectmen meeting.

**Item #16— Discussion and take possible action on Building Review Committee Recommendations.**

Kurt Miller stated the building appraisal contracts have been signed and are scheduled for completion by the third week in April. The Boys and Girls Club has shown interest in using the Community Center as a Seymour location. This may help the Town to receive grant money to update the building. Developers have shown interest in the Community Center and more information will be provided to the Board of Selectmen as it is received.

Town Counsel is excused at 8:30pm.

**Item #17— Appointments.**

Motion to appoint Richard Belden to the Energy Committee for a term of two (2) years expiring on March 2, 2015.

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

Motion to appoint Joe Deegan to the Energy Committee for a term of two (2) years expiring on March 2, 2015.

Motion: Theresa Conroy                      Second: Nicole Klarides-Ditria  
Yes: 7    No: 0    0: Abstain

Motion to appoint Thomas Eighmee to the Energy Committee for a term of two (2) years expiring on March 2, 2015.

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

Motion to appoint James Garofolo to the Energy Committee for a term of two (2) years expiring on March 2, 2015.

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

Motion to appoint Phil Wilhelmy to the Energy Committee for a term of two (2) years expiring on March 2, 2015.

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

Motion to appoint Paul Roy to the Energy Committee for a term of two (2) years expiring on March 2, 2015.

Motion: Karen Stanek                      Second: Al Bruno  
Yes: 7    No: 0    0: Abstain

Motion to appoint Thomas Lavranchuk to Planning & Zoning Alternate for a term of two (2) years expiring on March 1, 2015.

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

Motion to appoint Bill Paecht to the Parks Commission for a term of two (2) years expiring on March 5, 2015.

Motion: Nicole Klarides-Ditria                      Second: Karen Stanek  
Yes: 7    No: 0    0: Abstain

**Item #18—Tax Refunds/Abatements.**

Motion to accept the Tax Refunds / Abatements as presented.

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

**Item #19—Transfers.**

Motion to accept Transfer #6 from Contingency to Communications/Telephones in the amount of \$13,051.00 as presented.

Motion: Theresa Conroy                      Second: Nicole Klarides-Ditria  
Yes: 7    No: 0    0: Abstain

**Item #20—Correspondence.**

Check Register.

**Item #21—Public Comment.**

None.

**Item #22—Selectmen’s Public Comments.**

Karen Stanek: Requests Fred Messoro, Economic Director, attend the next Board of Selectmen meeting to provide an update. Asked the status of the Fish Bypass. Kurt Miller stated the contracts are with the state for approval to move forward.

Theresa Conroy: Asked where the town stands on providing Community Police Officers. Kurt Miller stated the 2013-2014 budget he proposed includes filling that role.

Al Bruno: Requested the Blight Officer look into a large RV parked on a resident's lawn on Great Hill Road with a tarp across it. Also requested the presence of Fred Messorre at the next Board of Selectmen meeting.

Anmarie Drugonis: Pleasantly surprised with the soil samples at the Skate Park building site. Agrees there is a need to check the air quality at the Senior Center. Asked when quarterly reports would be available, Kurt Miller stated in April.

**Item #23—Adjournment.**

Motion to adjourn at 8:45pm.

Motion: Anmarie Drugonis      Second: Karen Stanek

Yes: 7

No: 0

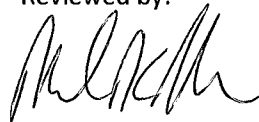
0: Abstain

Submitted by:



Michelle Walsh  
Recording Secretary

Reviewed by:



W. Kurt Miller  
First Selectman