

Board of Selectman MINUTES Regular Meeting Tuesday, February 5, 2013 @ 7:00PM Norma Drummer Room / Seymour Town Hall

Town of Seymour

Members Present: W. Kurt Miller, Gary Bruce, Annmarie Drugonis, Al Bruno, Theresa Conroy, Karen Stanek and Town Counsel Bryan LeClerc.

Members Absent: Nicole Klarides-Ditria.

Others Present: Frank Loda, Scott Andrews, Ron Skurat, Elise Wood, Chief Metzler, Lt. Paul Satkowski, Thomas Eighmie, Robert Rich and Paul Roy.

Item #1 -Call meeting to order.

First Selectman, W. Kurt Miller called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

Item #2 -Pledge of Allegiance.

Everyone saluted the Flag and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Item #3 -Public Comment.

Paul Roy, 80 Washington Avenue: He wanted to provide an update on the Skate Park. The committee is trying to build the best park with the allotted funds. Don Smith is working and the committee has asked Stantek to provide more services for the same amount of money. Don Smith is arranging for the soil testing in the next 7-10 days. The budget is on track.

Robert Rich, 9 N. Benham Road: The town is considering another building project, yet the town has quite a bit of debt at this time. Suggests the town pay down the school debt and take that money to use toward future projects. There may be cost savings in not heating and maintaining some of the older buildings, use that money for new projects. The State budget looks gloomy and the funds to municipalities may not be at the same level as past years. Concerned in these tough times government is spending too much money.

Item #4—First Selectman's Report.

The Fish Bypass project is moving forward. A Bristol company had the lowest bid, contracts to be sighed in the next 2-3 weeks.

Union contracts are moving forward and Kurt Miller will provide an update at the February 19, 2013 Board of Selectmen meeting.

Kurt Miller presented the First Selectman's Proposed Budget to the Board of Finance. The proposed budget reflects a 0.5 mill increase and the Board of Finance was encouraged to increase the town's fund balance.

Information was recently received regarding and increase of \$28,000 in ECS funds to the town. Kurt Miller will present the information to the Board of Selectmen if members request.

Item #5—Approve Minutes January 22, 2013 Regular Meeting.

Motion to approve Minutes from January 22, 2013 Regular Meeting.

Motion: Annmarie Drugonis Second: Theresa Conroy

Karen Stanek requested the minutes reflect the request of Troy Raccula, the attorney representing Dawn Valeski asking to present testimony in open session prior to entering into Executive Session. The Board of Selectmen agreed to amend the minutes to include: "Attorney Troy Raccula representing Dawn Valeski requested to present testimony in open session prior to entering into Executive Session; testimony was provided during Executive Session as requested by Dawn Valeski."

Yes: 6

No: 0

0: Abstain

Item #6-Action in Lieu of Special Town Meeting regarding FEMA Funds Disbursement

Resolution read: The Special Town Meeting regarding FEMA Funds Disbursement lack of quorum was not due to inclement weather.

Motion to approve the resolution as read.

Motion: Annmarie Drugonis

Second: Al Bruno

Yes: 6

No: 0

0: Abstain

Motion to approve the FEMA funds disbursement from Fund Balance to Middle School Trees- Fema Reimb, DPW Trees, Generators FEMA Reimb, Police Overtime, DPW Overtime, Ambulance FEMA Reimb, Fire Dept FEMA Reimb, Emergency Mgt FEMA Reimb, and Dept of Public Works FEMA Reimb for a total of \$199,349.00 as read.

Motion: Theresa Conroy

Second: Annmarie Drugonis

Yes: 5

No: 1 (Gary Bruce)

0:Abstain

Motion to add to the agenda the discussion and possible action of hiring of personnel to fill the open part time position of Payroll Benefits Coordinator.

Motion: Annmarie Drugonis

Second: Karen Stanek

Yes: 6

No: 0

0: Abstain

Motion to extend the position of part time Payroll Benefits Coordinator to Roseanne Hamilton pending background verification.

Motion: Al Bruno

Second: Gary Bruce

Yes: 6

No: 0

0: Abstain

Item #7— Discussion and take possible action regarding Emergency Contingency Plan for the Registrars of Voters

As per statute 9-174s, the Registrars of Voters present the following emergency contingency plan for your approval:

- (1) Solutions for ballot shortages: Registrars of Voters shall order more ballots from printer. If the need arises, as a temporary or emergency measure, the Registrars of Voters may supply hand-countable ballots. These ballots shall be accounted for by the Ballot Tenders just as normal ballots are. Voters shall be instructed to deposit hand-countable ballots in the auxiliary bin of the ballot box.
- (2) strategies to implement in the event of :
 - a. Shortage or absence of poll workers: Moderator shall contact Registrars of Voters. Together they shall determine the course of action based on number of poll workers present and anticipated voter turnout. Replacement poll workers and reassignment of existing poll workers are options.
 - b. Loss of power: Moderator shall afert Registrars of Voters immediately. Registrars of Voters shall contact Emergency Services to request generators. While awaiting generator, the Moderator shall distribute supplied flashlights as necessary to facilitate safe and orderly voting. The supplied battery backup system should allow for continuing use of the tabulators. Should the tabulators be without any power, voters shall be instructed to deposit ballots in the auxiliary bin of the tabulator.
 - c. Fire or the sounding of an alarm within a polling place: Everyone must leave the premises immediately through the nearest exit. Moderators shall review locations of exits with poll workers before opening of polls.
 - d. Voting machine malfunction: Voters shall be instructed to deposit ballots in the auxiliary bin of the tabulator. Moderator shall notify Registrars of Voters Immediately. Moderator may attempt to resolve the problem and then should set up the backup tabulator. Should the backup tabulator malfunction, the same procedure shall be followed with Voters being instructed to deposit ballots in auxiliary bin until additional backup tabulator is provided and set up.
 - e. Weather or other natural disaster: Registrars of Voters shall coordinate facilitation of voting process with the Emergency Management Director. This shall include transportation of Poll Workers to Polling Locations if necessary. Should a weather or natural disaster occur during an Election, Moderators shall allow for shelter in polling place building but shall segregate the voting process.

- f. The need to remove a poll worker or moderator and to replace such worker or moderator;
 - Should both Registrars of Voters agree that a Woderator cannot fulfill his or her duties, the Registrars shall agree upon and appoint a replacement Moderator.
 - ii. Should the Moderator determine that a poll worker cannot fulfill his or her duties, the Moderator shall dismiss such poll worker and then follow the procedure (a) for shortage or absence of poll workers.
- g. Disorder in and around the polling place: The Moderator shall call the police. The Moderator shall alert the Registrars of Voters to the situation.

Motion to accept the Emergency Contingency Plan for the Registrars of Voters as presented.

Motion: Theresa Conroy

Second: Karen Stanek

Yes: 6

No: 0

0: Abstain

Item #8— Discussion and take possible action on resolution regarding Agreement between the State of Connecticut and the town of Seymour for the Development of Contract Plans, Specifications and Estimates for Pavement Reclamation of Rimmon Street utilizing Federal Funds under the Urban Component of the Surface Transportation Program.

RESOLVED, that W. Kurt Miller, First Selectman, is hereby authorized to sign the Agreement entitled "Agreement between the State of Connecticut and the Town of Seymour for the Development of Contract Plans, Specifications and Estimates for Pavement Reclamation of Rimmon Street utilizing Federal Funds under the Urban Component of the Surface Transportation Program"

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Motion to accept the resolution regarding Agreement between the State of Connecticut and the town of Seymour for the Development of Contract Plans, Specifications and Estimates for Pavement Reclamation of Rimmon Street utilizing Federal Funds under the Urban Component of the Surface Transportation Program as presented.

Motion: Al Bruno

Second: Theresa Conrov

Yes: 6

No: 0

0: Abstain

Item #9— Discussion and take possible action on possible usage of LOCIP funds

Motion to table the discussion and possible action on possible usage of LOCIP funds.

Motion: Annmarie Drugonis

Second: Al Bruno

Yes: 6

No: 0

0: Abstain

Item #10— Discussion and take possible action on recommendation from the Technology Committee on website redesign.

The Technology Committee has worked on obtaining the contract and Town Counsel is reviewing it at this time. An update and possible action is planned for the February 19, 2013 Board of Selectmen meeting.

Item #11— 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.

The Seymour Land Conservation Trust has asked for a six (6) month extension on the agreement between the Town of Seymour regarding property at Chatfield Park and Legion Pool.

Motion to enter into the licensing agreement with the Seymour Land Conservation Trust on behalf of the Town of Seymour.

Motion: Al Bruno

Second: Annmarie Drugonis

Yes: 6

No: 0

0: Abstain

Item #12 — Discussion and take possible action on Building Review Committee recommendations.

Kurt Miller stated he was unable to meet with the Superintendent of School prior to this meeting to obtain the information requested regarding the Seymour High School. He would like to present all of the information at one time at the February 19, 2013 Board of Selectmen meeting.

Item #13— Appointments.

Motion to appoint Darrell Sheck to Planning and Zoning (Alternate) for a term of two (2) years expiring on January 3, 2015.

Motion: Theresa Conroy

Second: Karen Stanek

Yes: 6

No: 0

0: Abstain

Item #14—Tax Refunds/Abatements.

Motion to accept the Tax Refunds / Abatements as presented.

Motion: Karen Stanek

Second: Annmarie Drugonis

Yes: 6

No: 0

0: Abstain

Item #15-Transfers.

None.

Item #16—Correspondence.

Check Register.

Letter regarding Proposed Bill No. 576 from Senator Kane requesting the renewal of temporary notes

Item #17—Public Comment.

None.

Item #18-Selectmen's Public Comments.

Theresa Conroy: As State Representative she has proposed a bill in Hartford for Metro North. Working to keep the trains moving.

Al Bruno: "Kudos" to Nicole Klarides-Ditria for how she handled the water main break.

Annmarie Drugonis: Thanks to Nicole Klarides-Ditria.

Theresa Conroy: At the last Board of Selectmen meeting a resident asked to be placed on the agenda regarding a blight concern. Kurt Miller stated the situation has been resolved to the resident's satisfaction and no blight or zoning issues were present.

Kurt Miller: Thursday February 7, 2013 at 6:30pm the Fire Chief will be sworn in and all are invited to attend.

Item #19-Adjournment.

Motion to adjourn at 7:43pm.

Motion: Annmarie Drugonis

Second: Karen Stanek

Yes: 6

No: 0

0: Abstain

Reviewed by:

Submitted by:

Michelle Walsh

Recording Secretary

W. Kurt Miller First Selectman

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