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MINUTES

Board of Selectmen Tuesday, February 15, 2011 @ 7:30PM Norma Drummer Room/Seymour Town Hall

Members present: First Selectman Paul Roy, Philip Wilhelmy, Karl Trybus, Saundra Gesek, W. Kurt Miller, Annmarie Drugonis, John Conroy, and Town Counsel Colleen Fries. Others present: Ed Pollack, Joan Gee, Harry Marks, Wayne Finkle, Sean Walsh, Howard Simpson, David Elder, Alfred Yagovane and Barbara Jean Wilhelmy.

ITEM # 1 – Call meeting to order. Meeting was called to order by the First Selectman at 7:30PM.

ITEM # 2 – Pledge of Allegiance. Everyone saluted the Flag and stated the Pledge of Allegiance.

ITEM # 3 – Approve minutes from Public Hearing on 2/1/11.Motion to approve minutes from Public Hearing on 2/1/11.Motion: W. Kurt MillerSecond: Philip WilhelmyVote: 5-Yes (Paul Roy, Philip Wilhelmy, Saundra Gesek, W. Kurt Miller, Annmarie Drugonis)0-No2-Abstain (John Conroy, Karl Trybus)0-Disqualify

ITEM # 4 – Approve minutes from Board of Selectmen meeting on 2/1/11.Motion to approve minutes from Board of Selectmen meeting on 2/1/11, with the addition of item # 8to state that the Board of Education should come to the next meeting.Motion: W. Kurt MillerSecond: Philip WilhelmyVote: 6-Yes (Paul Roy, Philip Wilhelmy, Saundra Gesek, W. Kurt Miller, Annmarie Drugonis, JohnConroy)0-No1-Abstain (Karl Trybus)0-Disqualify

ITEM # 5 – First Selectman's Report. Skip to item # 19.

ITEM # 6 – Public Comment.

Wayne Finkle, 1 Jay Lane, Board of Public Works: Thanks the Board of Selectmen for trying to bond the needed equipment for the Public Works Department. Disappointed that the Board of Finance rejected it and feels that false information was given. The money was to replace old equipment, not add to the fleet. Also the \$80,000+ vehicle listed in the bonding resolution was for the Parks Department, not Public Works. Very concerned to where this is going to leave the Town.

Ed Pollack, 25 Walnut Street: Still has many concerns about the flooding problem on his property and would like a letter stating that the Town is responsible for cleaning the drainage pipe under the street and would like a letter from Town Counsel stating her reasons for the Town not taking responsibility for his problem so he can give it to his attorney.

Mike Komaromi, 10 Sunset Terrace: Thanks the Board for being so patient about the bamboo issue. He states that he has no plans to remove his bamboo, which is well maintained, especially since he has not broken any Town or State Laws. He is trying to work with the neighbors and has agreed to dig trenches along his property line to avoid any invasion issues and contain the bamboo.

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Sean Walsh, 126 Pearl Street, Board of Public Works: Is in agreement with Wayne Finkle on the Public Works issues. Is concerned about aging broken equipment and being able to support the roads in Town with what is available.

ITEM # 7 – Act in Lieu of Special Town Meeting per Charter Section 13.1(f).Motion to adjourn Special Town Meeting to Referendum on Tuesday, February 22, 2011 at theSeymour Community Center, 20 Pine Street, from 6am to 8pm.Motion: Philip WilhelmySecond: Karl TrybusVote: 6-Yes (Paul Roy, Philip Wilhelmy, Karl Trybus, Saundra Gesek, John Conroy)2-No (W. KurtMiller, Annmarie Drugonis)0-Abstain0-Disqualify

• W. Kurt Miller would like to state for the record that he would still like to see this done on the budget referendum to save money.

Motion to place on the table discussion and take possible action on re-classification of Holbrook Road, and Canfield Road.

Motion: Philip Wilhelmy		Second: Karl Trybus	
Vote: 7-Yes	0-No	0-Abstain	0-Disqualify

David Elder, VCOG: Would like the Board of Selectmen to empower the First Selectman to enter into agreements to re-classify and upgrade Holbrook Road into a Major Collector Road and to de-classify Mountain and Canfield Roads into Minor Collector Roads in order to possibly obtain more funds from the STP (Surface Transportation Grant Program). The Board would like to keep all roads with the status of Collector Roads.

Motion to authorize the First Selectman to enter into an agreement with the CTDOT to reclassifyHolbrook Road, Mountain Road and Canfield Road and to keep their status to at least a MinorCollector Road.Motion: John ConroySecond: Philip WilhelmyVote: 7-Yes0-No0-Abstain0-Disqualify

ITEM # 8 – Human Resources Audit Proposal.

W. Kurt Miller: Spearheaded obtaining this proposal because he feels that Human Resources is essential and the Human Resources Audit will justify why HR is needed in the Town of Seymour.

Linda Meola, Human Resources Inc.: Would like to propose an audit to the Board, which will include speaking to the Directors/Managers to find out goals in each department, performance evaluations, job descriptions, etc. The company will be giving their recommendations from the information they gather, as well as Statute Compliance and Best Practice. The company also uses a team of people to make the determination. The proposal is for \$40,000.00, which includes \$15,000 for the audit and \$25,000 for the first year of having a Human Resource Service in house several hours a week and access to services during each work week.

The Board members would like the audit done immediately, but need to seek the funding. The First Selectman will consult with the Finance Department to see if the funding can be found.

Motion to table the Human Resources Audit Proposal until the next Board of Selectmen meeting on March 1, 2011.

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

ITEM # 9 – Discussion and possible action on Aging Commission Report.

A lengthy discussion was had by the Board of Selectmen, two members of the Aging Commission (Joan Gee and Harry Marks), and the Senior Center Director Lucy McConologue. A report re-submitted by the Aging Commission that was originally from July 2010, was discussed in length. The Charter and Code of Ordinances sections concerning Municipal Aging Commissions were discussed in length and the Board would like to see more recommendations on senior housing, healthcare and overall quality of life for the seniors in the Town of Seymour. They would also like a Municipal Agent appointed. The First Selectman states that many steps have been made to work with the Senior Director and the Aging Commissions recommendations. There have been several new programs, which include a computer class and an exercise class, volunteers have been in the Senior Center helping with programs, currently there is a newsletter contract to discuss, which will be at no cost to the Town of Seymour and research has been done on Municipal Agents who work approximately 4 to 5 hours per week. The Senior Director would like to be on the Board of Selectmen Agenda for the next meeting on March 1, 2011 to present her report.

Motion to place newsletter publishing agreement on the table for consideration.

Motion: Philip Wilhelmy		Second: Karl Trybus	
Vote: 7-Yes	0-No	0-Abstain	0-Disqualify

Motion to authorize the First Selectman to enter into the Community Publishing Agreement for a newsletter to be published for the Seniors in Town at no cost to the Town of Seymour, pending Town Counsel review and authorization.

Motion: Philip WilhelmySecond: John ConroyVote: 6-Yes (Paul Roy, Philip Wilhelmy, Karl Trybus, Saundra Gesek, Annmarie Drugonis, John Conroy)0-No1-Abstain (W. Kurt Miller)0-Disqualify

ITEM # 10 – Approve Resolution for Derby Avenue Construction Project 124-168.

Motion to approve the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that the Honorable Paul Roy, First Selectman, is hereby authorized to sign the Agreement entitled:

"First Supplemental Agreement to the Original Agreement dated September 15, 2009 between the State of Connecticut and the Town of Seymour for the Construction, Inspection and Maintenance of the Reconstruction and Resurfacing of Derby Avenue Utilizing Federal Funds under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 Public Law 111-5 (hereinafter "Act") and the Urban Component of the Surface Transportation Program."

Adopted by the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Seymour, Connecticut on the 15th Day of February, 2011.

Motion: Philip Wilhelmy		Second: H	Second: Karl Trybus	
Vote: 7-Yes	0-No	0-Abstain	0-Disqualify	

Motion to place o	n the table discu	ssion on Small Cities (Community Development Grant and
administrative an	d technical assis	tance and possible act	ion on RFQ's.
Motion: Philip Wi	lhelmy	Second:	W. Kurt Miller
Vote: 7-Yes	0-No	0-Abstain	0-Disqualify

The First Selectman has researched the Small Cities Community Development Grants and found out that the money can be used for the roads at the low income housing, which are Chamberlin Road, Brothers Court and Seymour Avenue. There is approximately \$500,000 available. The Grants Coordinator will be attending a course on these grants tomorrow. The Town must go out for RFQ's for the Technical Assistance.

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Motion: Philip Wil			W. Kurt Miller	
Vote: 7-Yes	0-No	0-Abstain	0-Disqualify	
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Motion to move it	em #20 Executiv	ve Session up on the A	genda.	
Motion: John Conr	оу	Second: Philip W	/ilhelmy	
Vote: 7-Yes	0-No	0-Abstain	0-Disqualify	
Motion to go into Board of Selectme		on for pending litigatic	on and negotiations with Town Counsel and the	e
Motion: Karl Trybu	IS	Second: Annmai	rie Drugonis	
Vote: 7-Yes	0-No	0-Abstain	0-Disqualify	
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ITEM # 11 – Discus	sion and possib	le action on Capital Pl	an for 2010/2011 FY.	
Board members di	scussed and rev	iewed the 5-Year Cap	ital Plan beginning 2010/2011 FY.	
Motion to table the 3/1/11.	e Capital Plan fo	or FY 2010/2011 until	the next Board of Selectmen meeting on	
Motion: W. Kurt M	liller	Second: Philip W	/ilhelmy	
Vote: 7-Yes	0-No	0-Abstain	0-Disqualify	
ITEM # 12 – Discussion of 98 Bank Street Committee. The First Selectman has put together a sub-committee consisting of Theresa Conroy, Paul Sponheimer, Bill Alberti, and James Garofolo to discuss, review and make recommendations on the building at 98 Bank Street. They will be meeting tomorrow, 2/16/11. The Committee will be making their recommendations by the middle of April.				
ITEM # 13 – Appoir Motion to reappoir 3/1/13.		ls as the Assistant Bui	lding Inspector for a 2-Year term expiring on	
Motion: W. Kurt M	liller	Second: Annmar	ie Drugonis	
Vote: 7-Yes	0-No	0-Abstain	0-Disqualify	

Motion to reappoint Rick Belden to the Energy Committee for a 2-Year term expiring on 3/2/13.

Motion: W. Kurt Mille	r	Second: Annmarie Dru	igonis	
Vote: 7-Yes	0-No	0-Abstain	0-Disqualify	
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Vote: 7-Yes	0-No	0-Abstain	0-Disqualify	
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Motion: W. Kurt Mille	r	Second: Annmarie Dru	gonis	
Vote: 7-Yes	0-No	0-Abstain	0-Disqualify	
Motion to reappoint Ja	ames Garofolo to	o the Energy Committee	e for a 2-Year term expiring on 3/2/13.	
Motion: W. Kurt Miller	•	Second: Karl Trybus		
Vote: 7-Yes	0-No	0-Abstain	0-Disqualify	
Motion to reappoint T	om Wallace to tl	he Energy Committee fo	or a 2-Year term expiring on 3/2/13.	
Motion: W. Kurt Miller		Second: Karl Trybus		
Vote: 7-Yes	0-No	0-Abstain	0-Disqualify	
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Motion to reappoint Al Yagovane to the Valley Transit District for a 2-Year term expiring on 3/17/13.Motion: W. Kurt MillerSecond: Karl TrybusVote: 7-Yes0-No0-Abstain0-DisqualifyMotion to reappoint Jon Livolsi to the WPCA for a 4-Year term expiring on 7/24/14.Motion: Philip WilhelmySecond: John ConroyVote: 7-Yes0-No0-Abstain0-Disqualify

ITEM # 14 – Tax Refunds/Abatements.Motion to approve tax refunds in the amount of \$21,317.91.Motion: Philip WilhelmySecond: John ConroyVote: 7-Yes0-No0-Abstain0-Disqualify

ITEM # 15 – Transfers. None.

ITEM # 16 – Correspondence. -Check Registers. -Police Department Accounts.

ITEM # 17 – Other Business. None.

ITEM # 18 – Public Comment.

Harry Marks, Chatfield Street, Aging Commission: Recalls an incident recently where he went to the Senior Center and the door was locked at approximately 11am. He went in another door and found the staff there. He then reported it to the First Selectman. He has many concerns about the Senior Center. Also comments that he would like to see a check list report for each time the senior bus is used.

Joan Gee, 5 Bassett Road, Aging Commission: Is glad that some of the recommendations that the Aging Commission gave are moving along and is happy about the HR position, due to job descriptions being needed.

ITEM # 19 – Selectmen's Public Comment.

Paul Roy: Met with Jamie Cohen of the Community Foundation and fixed the language in the agreement for the AT&T funds for the new Chatfield LoPresti PTA. Went to a program featuring opportunities for the town to get solar panels for free on some town buildings.

John Conroy: Would like WPCA issues address ASAP for budget issues. Would like the WPCA Chairman to attend a Board of Selectmen meeting. Town Counsel states that Bonding Counsel feels that the WPCA issue is not worth it due to their financial status.

Town Counsel states that there is also no new information on Tri-Town Plaza.

ITEM # 21 – Adjournment. Motion to adjourn at 10:22PM. Motion: Annmarie Drugonis Vote: 7-Yes 0-No

Second: Philip Wilhelmy 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify Submitted by,

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Deirdre Caruso, **Recording Secretary** Reviewed by,

Paul Roy Paul Roy,

First Selectman