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MINUTES  
Board of Selectmen  
Tuesday, August 9, 2011 @ 7:30PM  
Norma Drummer Room/Seymour Town Hall

Members present: First Selectman Paul Roy, Philip Wilhelmy, Karl Trybus, Sandra Gesek, W. Kurt Miller, Annmarie Drugonis, John Conroy and Counsel Fred Stanek.

Others present: Frank Loda, Ed Pollack, Sean Walsh, Michele Pavlik, David Elder, Al Rochelle, Gene Atkas, Scott Andrews, Bryan Ryan, Tom Tomasheski, and Economic Development Director Fred Messore.

ITEM # 1 – Call meeting to order.

Meeting was called to order at 7:33PM.

ITEM # 2 – Pledge of Allegiance.

Everyone salutes the Flag and states the Pledge of Allegiance.

ITEM # 3 – Public Comment.

Ed Pollack, Reservoir Manner, concerning 25 Walnut Street: Would like to know why he hasn't received a letter from the Town stating what was done at the Board of Selectmen meeting when he was told the Town Public Works would maintain the pipe under the road. He wants to know why no one will say this is a town problem and he wants results.

ITEM # 4 – First Selectman's Report.

- Concerning the July 8, 2011 storm, there are still repairs being made. There was extensive damage, which includes storm drains collapsing, wash outs and holes. Other projects are being put to the side until these problems are fixed. The Town Engineer stated that the damage was at approximately \$800,000.00, but has not yet submitted his final report. Residents with damage due to the storm are urged to drop off photos and estimates of their property damage to the First Selectman's Office. Per FEMA if there are at least 25 claims they may be able to help them through the CSBA (Connecticut Small Business Administration) if the properties have uninsured damage from the storm the CSBA may provide loans.
- Report on Matthies Grants
  - a. Seymour Public Library- \$35,000 A.C. Units
  - b. Energy Committee-\$175.00 for kill-o-watt meters to be distributed by library.
  - c. Broad Street Park- \$10,000 for lighting.
  - d. Emergency Services- \$7,784.00 for Smart Board.
  - e. Callahan House Tenants- \$6,775.00 for Bingo Machine.
  - f. Culture and Arts Commission-\$1,200.00 for Concerts.
  - g. Seymour Police Dept.-\$973.00 for Trunk or Treat Program.
  - h. Seymour Historical Society-\$35,000.00 for second year of three year grant for maintenance, \$90,000.00 improvements to drainage, landscaping, tank removal.TOTAL TO TOWN- \$186,907.00
- The grant applications that were turned down were:
  - a. Salt Shed – Public Works
  - b. Portable Basketball Systems – Recreation Department
  - c. Replacement of cameras at local parks – Parks Commission
  - d. Paving parking lot at the Great Hill Reservoir – Parks Commission & Conservation Commission





3. Authorizes the individual serving as First Selectman or their successor(s), to sign the grant application, to negotiate terms and conditions of the MOU, to sign the MOU on behalf of the Town of Seymour and to sign any other documents associated with administering the grant, if awarded, including any amendments thereto. Such grant application is attached to and made a part of this record.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF:** The undersigned has executed this certificate this 9th day of August 2011.

This is for State funds that are available for the Valley Municipalities totaling \$495,000, which is being handled by VCOG. The part that pertains to the Town of Seymour will be within a half mile of the train station. This will consist of design for parking and residential impact. There will be approximately \$25,000 to create new regulations and \$45,000 for the development of a master plan. We should know if the Town/Valley qualifies for the funding by December 2011. Due to Seymour being located on the Waterbury Branch Line, the Town has a very good chance of receiving these funds.

Motion to approve the above resolution for the TOD Pilot Program through VCOG for the Valley Municipalities.

Motion: Philip Wilhelmy

Second: Karl Trybus

Vote: 7-Yes

0-No

0-Abstain

0-Disqualify

ITEM # 15 – Resolution for Seymour Pink Day for October 19, 2011.

**PROCLAMATION**

**“SEYMOUR PINK DAY”**

**WHEREAS,** The Board of Selectmen of the Town of Seymour proclaim Wednesday, October 19, 2011, “SEYMOUR PINK DAY”.

**WHEREAS,** Breast Cancer is a horrific disease both physically and emotionally. Although the numbers of new cases have fluctuated in recent years, the number of men and women in the State of Connecticut diagnosed with breast cancer is higher than the national rates. Of the 3.5 million people living in the State of Connecticut, the incidence rate for every 100,000 women is 129.9, nationally per 100,000 the rate is 117.7. The good news is Connecticut’s mortality rate from breast cancer is slightly lower than the national figures. Insidiously breast cancer is not sexist; over 1,900 men are diagnosed each year.

**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 19, 2011 as “SEYMOUR PINK DAY”, the Town of Seymour will be helping the community to raise awareness and asks that the residents of the Town of Seymour wear pink to support the fight for a cure for breast cancer.

Dated this 9<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2011 at Seymour, Connecticut.

By, First Selectman Paul F. Roy and the Seymour Board of Selectmen.

Motion to approve the Proclamation for Seymour Pink Day on October 19, 2011.

Motion: John Conroy

Second: Philip Wilhelmy

Vote: 7-Yes

0-No

0-Abstain

0-Disqualify

ITEM # 16 – Approve 1/3 of repairs to sidewalk at 21 Osprey Drive.

Motion to table until resident brings 3 quotes for repairs.

Motion: Philip Wilhelmy

Second: Annmarie Drugonis

Vote: 7-Yes                    0-No                    0-Abstain                    0-Disqualify

ITEM # 17 – Executive Session (Contract Negotiations, Pending Litigation, Personnel).  
None.

ITEM # 18 – Appointments.  
None.

ITEM # 19 – Tax Refunds/Abatements.

Motion to approve tax refunds in the amount of \$1,617.28.

Motion: Philip Wilhelmy                    Second: W. Kurt Miller

Vote: 7-Yes                    0-No                    0-Abstain                    0-Disqualify

ITEM # 20 – Transfers.

Motion to transfer \$18,879.28 from Health Insurance First Selectman 10014101550430210 for \$7,700.00 and from Health Insurance Public Works 10014101550570210 \$11,179.28 into Health Insurance Finance 10014101550450210 \$1,093.68 and into Health Insurance Tax Collector 10014101550455210 \$108.08 and into Health Insurance Assessors 10014101550465210 for \$5,632.96 and into Health Insurance Town Clerk 10014101550475210 for \$321.28 and into Health Insurance Services for the Elderly 10014101550615210 for \$471.56 and into Health Insurance Recreation for \$94.64 and into Health Insurance Library 10014101550640210 for \$11,157.08. Year end transfer needed to cover rate adjustments and changes in employee status.

Motion: Philip Wilhelmy                    Second: Karl Trybus

Vote: 7-Yes                    0-No                    0-Abstain                    0-Disqualify

\*John Conroy would like the new rate plan for the employee’s health insurance.

ITEM # 21 – Correspondence.

- Check Registers.
- Town Clerk Report – July 2011

ITEM # 22 – Other Business.

Motion to add Report from Economic Development Director to the Agenda.

Motion: John Conroy                    Second: Philip Wilhelmy

Vote: 7-Yes                    0-No                    0-Abstain                    0-Disqualify

Motion to have the Economic Development Director give his report.

Motion: John Conroy                    Second: Philip Wilhelmy

Vote: 7-Yes                    0-No                    0-Abstain                    0-Disqualify

Fred Messore, Economic Development Director, Transition Report:

- Has met with land use boards, Town Planner and are working on the Plan for Conservation and Development and land use regulations.
- Has met with VCOG and are working on long range plans for shovel ready projects. Need projects in queue for Federal Funding.
- Working with VCOG and the State on possible parking structure for downtown, pedestrian walk project, and Housatonic Wire.

- Met with various property owners to identify needs, which include DARP (Derby Avenue Redevelopment Project). Spoke to the owner of Tri-Town Plaza and may be meeting at the end of the month in New Jersey to talk about marketing.
- Met with Mike Horbal concerning several projects going on in town.
- Met with CEDAS, concerning projects going on in the downtown area on the train line for possible ideas.
- Met with Chatfield LoPresti Committee on quality of life project.
- Met with Tonsha concerning EDC website and letter going out promoting the Economic Development Department.
- CERC in Rocky Hill, which the Town needs to renew membership, for demographic updates, etc. Apparently the membership fee of \$500 was not put in the budget.
- Would like to schedule Public Sessions to identify areas and needs and get recommendations on improvements to the Town.
- Discussions about Roosevelt Drive sewer project, possible connections to Derby?
- Would like to see joint land use meetings with EDC, Board of Selectmen and WPCA to discuss projects.

ITEM # 23 – Public Comment.

Sean Walsh, 126 Pearl Street, Public Works Chairman: States that the workshop for the Capital Request Forms was not followed up on. Would like to sit down with Board members and get some guidance on the process hopefully before the September deadline. Would like to see a Capital Project line item for each department’s budget.

ITEM # 24 – Selectmen’s Public Comments.

W. Kurt Miller: Would like to know the status on the HR Audit.

Paul Roy: Just received an email today concerning any additional information that is needed for the audit.

Annamarie Drugonis: Any updates on OSHA?

Paul Roy: Town has not received the final report yet.

Philip Wilhelmy: Would like to see a follow up workshop for the Capital Request Forms.

Paul Roy: Possibly the within the first couple of weeks in September.

John Conroy: Would like to know if we have any update on the info requested from the WPCA.

Paul Roy: Will put in a 3<sup>rd</sup> request for the Capital Projects, Revenue & Expense, and Actual & Projected.

ITEM # 25 – Adjournment.

Motion to adjourn at 9:07PM.

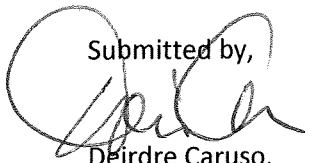
Motion: Annmarie Drugonis

Vote: 7-Yes                      0-No

Second: Philip Wilhelmy

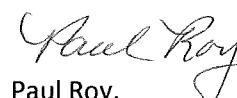
0-Abstain                      0-Disqualify

Submitted by,



Deirdre Caruso,  
Recording Secretary

Reviewed by,



Paul Roy,  
First Selectman