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MINUTES  
Board of Selectmen  
Tuesday, June 21, 2011 @ 7:30PM  
Norma Drummer Room/Seymour Town Hall

Members present: First Selectman Paul Roy, Philip Wilhelmy, Sandra Gesek, W. Kurt Miller, Anmarie Drugonis, John Conroy, and Town Counsel Colleen Fries.

Not present: Karl Trybus.

Others present: Frank Loda, Sean Walsh, James Brennan, Don Smith, Peter Kubik, Jay Hatfield, Steve Kulas and Fred Stanek.

ITEM # 1 – Call meeting to order.

Meeting was called to order by the First Selectman at 7:37PM.

ITEM # 2 – Pledge of Allegiance.

Everyone salutes the Flag and states the Pledge of Allegiance.

ITEM # 3 – Approve minutes from Board of Selectmen meeting on 6/7/11.

Motion to approve minutes from Board of Selectmen meeting on 6/7/11.

Motion: John Conroy

Second: W. Kurt Miller

Vote: 5-Yes (Paul Roy, Sandra Gesek, W. Kurt Miller, Anmarie Drugonis, John Conroy) 0-No

1-Abstain (Philip Wilhelmy) 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 4 – First Selectman's Report.

- Attended VCOG Meeting where a loan was approved for Amity Construction for abatement of hazardous building materials at the former Seymour Lumber site.
- Regional Brownfields meeting in Waterbury-Engineers from Weston and Sampson spoke on the use of a solar panel farm on a Brownfield site in Pittsfield, Mass., which produces 6 mega watts to power approximately 300 homes.
- Attended a Naugatuck Valley Corridor Comprehensive Development Strategy with Fred Messoro, new Economic Development Director (who is here tonight). Explained the process to get projects in line for consideration for state funding.
- Met with representatives from Veolia concerning issues with blockages and repairs. Veolia agrees that better communication is needed between them and customers when problems arise.
- Attended MPO meeting in Bridgeport.
- Met with Angel Heart and organization that helps families dealing with issues that arise due to illness.
- Attended the Elder Abuse program at the Senior Center presented by Kristen Cusato of channel 8 news. The proclamation by the Board of Selectmen was presented.
- Attended Middle School graduation ceremony.
- Attended Seymour High School Graduation ceremony.
- Attended Bristol Resource Recovery Facility Operating Committee Meeting.
- Met with new auditing firm for Town Audit, Blume Shapiro with the Board of Finance.
- Met with the representatives of the Human Resources Group who are in the process of collecting information for their audit.

**ITEM # 5 – Pubic Comment.**

Jamie Brennan, 124 Bungay Road: States that for years he has had problems with drainage and sediment on his property from the road. He has met with the Public Works Director, Town Engineer and the First Selectman on several occasions. He has made phone calls and sent letters. He would like to be on the agenda for the Board of Selectmen meeting on July 12, 2011 so the Board can help resolve his issues. He hands out information, which includes a letter from the CT Farm Bureau. The Town Engineer had told him that the solution would be a quick fix.

**ITEM # 6 – Act in Lieu of Special Town Meeting for land acquisition for Fish By Pass project.**  
Special Town Meeting was cancelled due to error in notice.  
No Action Taken.

**ITEM # 7 – Tingue Dam by-pass property acquisition reimbursement contract with DEP or DEEP.**  
Motion to pass the resolution that the Board of Selectmen hereby authorizes Paul Roy, First Selectman of the Town of Seymour to enter into and he is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the Town of Seymour a contract with the Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), or the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) for the project entitled “Tingue Dam By Pass Project: Property Acquisition” for total payments to be paid by DEP or DEEP to the Town of Seymour not to exceed the maximum amount of \$75,000.00.  
Motion: Philip Wilhelmy                      Second: W. Kurt Miller  
Vote: 6-Yes                      0-No                      0-Abstain                      0-Disqualify

**ITEM # 8 – Tingue Dam by-pass project Skate Park replacement contract with the DEP or DEEP.**  
Motion to pass the resolution that the Board of Selectmen hereby authorizes Paul Roy, First Selectman of the Town of Seymour to enter into and he is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the Town of Seymour a contract with the Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), or the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) for the project entitled “Tingue Dam By Pass Project: Skate Park Replacement” for total payments to be paid by DEP or DEEP to the Town of Seymour not to exceed the maximum amount of \$187,000.00.  
Motion: Philip Wilhelmy                      Second: John Conroy  
Vote: 6-Yes                      0-No                      0-Abstain                      0-Disqualify

**ITEM # 9 – Waive building permit fee for roof repairs on the Historical Society Building at 59 West Street.**  
Motion to waive the building permit fee of \$537.00 for roof repairs and gutter replacement for the Historical Society located at 59 West Street, Seymour.  
Motion: John Conroy                      Second: Philip Wilhelmy  
Vote: 6-Yes                      0-No                      0-Abstain                      0-Disqualify

**Motion to add to the agenda Report on Chatfield LoPresti project.**  
Motion: John Conroy                      Second: Annmarie Drugonis  
Vote: 6-Yes                      0-No                      0-Abstain                      0-Disqualify

**Motion to discuss the Report on Chatfield LoPresti School Project.**  
Motion: John Conroy                      Second: Philip Wilhelmy  
Vote: 6-Yes                      0-No                      0-Abstain                      0-Disqualify

Don Smith and Peter Kubik, Co-Chairmen of the Chatfield LoPresti School Building Committee: Had sent photos to the Board of Selectmen members of the progress that has been made on the project. There are approximately 100 people per day working on the site. They are still on target with LoPresti students moving into the new school in September 2012. The new classroom wing should be ready to be occupied by Thanksgiving. The budget is on target with only an \$8,500.00 increase, but there is \$100,000 in construction credits.

The Board of Selectmen would like updates on cash-flow and the project more often.

Motion to add to the agenda contract with Comcast for phone & internet service for Town Hall.

Motion: John Conroy                      Second: Philip Wilhelmy  
Vote: 6-Yes                      0-No                      0-Abstain                      0-Disqualify

The Finance Office has done some research to save money on phone & internet service and has found that Comcast can save between \$300 and \$400 per month for a 3-Year Contract.

Motion to authorize the First Selectman to enter into an agreement to switch to Comcast for phone and internet service for 3-Year contract as presented.

Motion: Philip Wilhelmy                      Second: John Conroy  
Vote: 6-Yes                      0-No                      0-Abstain                      0-Disqualify

Motion to add to the agenda to set a public hearing for 6/29/11 at 6:30PM in regards to purchase of property from Oakbridge/Fallview Associates for the Fish-By-Pass project.

Motion: Philip Wilhelmy                      Second: W. Kurt Miller  
Vote: 6-Yes                      0-No                      0-Abstain                      0-Disqualify

Motion to set a public hearing for 6/29/11 at 6:30PM in regards to the purchase of property from Oakbridge/Fallview Associates for the Fish-By-Pass project.

Motion: Philip Wilhelmy                      Second: W. Kurt Miller  
Vote: 6-Yes                      0-No                      0-Abstain                      0-Disqualify

Motion to add to agenda to set a Special Town Meeting for 6/29/11 at 6:40PM in regards to the purchase of property from Oakbridge/Fallview Associates for Fish-By-Pass project.

Motion: Philip Wilhelmy                      Second: W. Kurt Miller  
Vote: 6-Yes                      0-No                      0-Abstain                      0-Disqualify

Motion to set a Special Town Meeting for 6/29/11 @ 6:40PM in regards to the purchase of property from Oakbridge/Fallview Associates for Fish-By-Pass project.

Motion: Philip Wilhelmy                      Second: John Conroy  
Vote: 6-Yes                      0-No                      0-Abstain                      0-Disqualify

Motion to add to the agenda to set a Special Board of Selectmen meeting for 6/29/11 @ 6:45PM to Act in Lieu of Special Town Meeting.

Motion: Philip Wilhelmy                      Second: John Conroy  
Vote: 6-Yes                      0-No                      0-Abstain                      0-Disqualify

Motion to set a Special Board of Selectmen meeting for 6/29/11 @ 6:45PM to Act in Lieu of Special Town Meeting.

Motion: Philip Wilhelmy                      Second: W. Kurt Miller

Vote: 6-Yes                    0-No                    0-Abstain                    0-Disqualify

Motion to add to the agenda DCS Energy Contract.

Motion: John Conroy                    Second: Philip Wilhelmy

Vote: 6-Yes                    0-No                    0-Abstain                    0-Disqualify

Motion to authorize the First Selectman to enter into a contract with DCS Energy in regard to possible installation of solar panels on Town Buildings.

Motion: Philip Wilhelmy                    Second: John

Vote: 6-Yes                    0-No                    0-Abstain                    0-Disqualify

Motion to add to the agenda to authorize Town Counsel to have an appraisal done on 43 Colony Street consisting of 0.69± acres.

Motion: Philip Wilhelmy                    Second: Annmarie Drugonis

Vote: 6-Yes                    0-No                    0-Abstain                    0-Disqualify

Motion to authorize Town Counsel to have an appraisal done on Town owned property at 43 Colony Street consisting of 0.69± acres.

Motion: Philip Wilhelmy                    Second: Annmarie Drugonis

Vote: 6-Yes                    0-No                    0-Abstain                    0-Disqualify

ITEM # 10 – Go out to bid for additional sidewalks from the 2010 STEAP Grant funds and have bids back on August 9, 2011.

Motion to go out to bid for additional sidewalks to be done from the 2010 STEAP Grant funds and have the bids back on August 2, 2011 and recommendations from Town Engineer for the Board of Selectmen on August 9, 2011.

Motion: John Conroy                    Second: W. Kurt Miller

Vote: 6-Yes                    0-No                    0-Abstain                    0-Disqualify

ITEM # 11 – Go out to bid for Tennis Courts at French Park from the 2010 STEAP Grant funds and have bids back on August 9, 2011.

Motion to go out to bid for tennis courts at French Park from the 2010 STEAP Grant funds and have bids back on August 2, 2011 and recommendations from Town Engineer for the Board of Selectmen on August 9, 2011.

Motion: W. Kurt Miller                    Second: Philip Wilhelmy

Vote: 6-Yes                    0-No                    0-Abstain                    0-Disqualify

ITEM # 12 – To consider and act upon a proposed authorization for the issuance of bonds to refund all or a portion of the Town's \$8,105,000 General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Issue of 2001.

RESOLVED, that the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Seymour hereby adopts the resolution presented to this meeting authorizing the issuance of bonds to refund all or a portion of the Town's \$8,105,000 General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Issue of 2001. A copy of the resolution shall be inserted in or attached to the minutes of this meeting and made a part thereof.

Motion: Philip Wilhelmy                    Second: Sandra Gesek

Rescind Motion: Philip Wilhelmy                    Rescind Second: Sandra Gesek

Board members would like to know more information on what is being re-financed.

Motion to table item until the next meeting and more information is received from the Finance Department on what this refinancing includes.

Motion: Philip Wilhelmy Second: W. Kurt Miller  
Vote: 6-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 13 – Set a Public Hearing relative to the transfer of Town property to the Seymour Land Conservation Trust for July 12, 2011 at 7:15PM.

Motion to set a public hearing relative to the transfer of Town property to the Seymour Land Conservation Trust for July 12, 2011 at 7:15PM in the Norma Drummer Room.

Motion: W. Kurt Miller Second: Philip Wilhelmy  
Vote: 6-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 14 – Set a Special Town Meeting relative to the transfer of Town property to the Seymour Land Conservation Trust for July 12, 2011 at 7:20PM.

Motion to set a Special Town Meeting relative to the transfer of Town property to the Seymour Land Conservation Trust for July 12, 2011 at 7:20PM in the Norma Drummer Room.

Motion: W. Kurt Miller Second: Philip Wilhelmy  
Vote: 6-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 15 – Appointments.

Motion to appoint Mike Kearny to the Veteran’s Grave Memorial for an indefinite term.

Motion: W. Kurt Miller Second: Philip Wilhelmy  
Vote: 6-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 16 – Tax Refunds/Abatements.

Motion to approve \$405.43 in tax refunds.

Motion: Philip Wilhelmy Second: John Conroy  
Vote: 6-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 17 – Transfers.

None.

ITEM # 18 – Correspondence.

- Check Registers.
- P&Z report on 22 Paramount Drive and 19 Patton Avenue.
- Invoice from Teodosio for Fire Clerk Issue charges.
- Letter from Town Counsel listing Housatonic Wire claims.
- Police Enhancement Accounts.

ITEM # 19 – Other Business.

None.

ITEM # 20 – Public Comment.

Sean Walsh, 126 Pearl Street, Chairman Public Works Board: In regards to the solar panels he would like the Board to take into consideration that the Public Works garage roof is in need of repairs. He would also like to remind the Board that the bonds for the sidewalk projects should be held longer due to the bad sidewalks on Pearl Street.

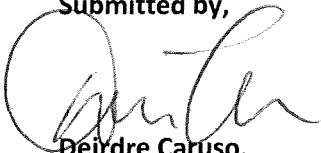
**ITEM # 21 – Selectmen’s Public Comment.**  
None.

**ITEM # 22 – Executive Session (Pending Litigation, Contract Negotiations, Personnel).**  
None.

**ITEM # 23 – Adjournment.**  
Motion to adjourn at 8:39PM.  
Motion: Annmarie Drugonis  
Vote: 6-Yes                    0-No

**Second: Philip Wilhelmy**  
0-Abstain                    0-Disqualify

Submitted by,

  
Deirdre Caruso,  
Recording Secretary

Reviewed by,

Paul Roy,  
First Selectman