

MINUTES
Board of Selectmen
Tuesday, March 16, 2010 @ 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 Town Counsel Colleen Fries.

Others present: Frank Loda, Ed Pollack, Valerie Pollack, Howard Simpson, Bill Paecht, Sean Walsh, Michele Pavlik, and Alex Danka.

ITEM # 1 - Call meeting to order.

The First Selectman called the meeting to order at 7:30PM.

ITEM # 2 - Pledge of Allegiance.

Everyone saluted the Flag and stated the Pledge of Allegiance.

ITEM # 3 - Approve minutes from Board of Selectmen meeting on 3/2/10.

Motion to approve minutes for the Board of Selectmen meeting on 3/2/10 with the following changes: John Conroy abstained from his appointment to the Energy Committee and he did not state negligence during Selectmen's Comments concerning the High School Pool Incident.

Motion: W. Kurt Miller

Second: Karl Trybus

Vote: 6-Yes (Paul Roy, Karl Trybus, Sandra Gesek, W. Kurt Miller, Annmarie Drugonis, John Conroy) 0-No 1-Abstain (Philip Wilhelmy) 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 4 - First Selectman's Comments.

- Met with CT Main Street Center on strategies for Housatonic Wire & Seymour Lumber sites. Downtown Orbit.
- Held FOI training workshop on March 4, 2010. 56 in attendance. Will hold a makeup session in a few months.
- Held preliminary talks with unions concerning local negotiations. New dates set to continue bargaining.
- Met with downtown merchants to discuss their issues, 2 areas of concern, downtown restaurant and signage.
- Attended VCOG, talked about their budget, fees to go up approximately 5%.
- Attended MPO meeting in Shelton, discussion included the Waterbury Branch Line of the railroad. Encouraged funding to the line because of number of people riding the train.
- New computer recycling bin at the Transfer Station, West Hartford Co., brings in the bin we call them when full and they pick it up, no charge to town.
- Attending ongoing budget workshops with the Board of Finance, continually updating the budget.

ITEM # 5 - Public Comment.

Ed Pollack, 25 Walnut Street: Thanks the First Selectman and Public Works for going to see his property and the 30+ year problem that they have encountered with the water coming from the pipe across from his property. He gives the Selectmen a binder full of minutes, letters, documentation, DVDs, and photos of the damage and flooding he has endured over the years. He states that the Army Corps. of Engineers put the drainage pipe in and the job was never finished. He is asking for help from the Town to do something to stop the flooding problem on his property that occurs every time there is a rain storm.

Valerie Pollack, 25 Walnut Street: Is very upset over the damage that the flooding has done to her property over the years and states that they have had to replace their pool and their yard is sinking. Describes events that have been very disturbing to her and her family and is imploring the Town to help them fix this problem.

Motion to move Executive Session after item # 6 on the agenda.

Motion: W. Kurt Miller

Second: John Conroy

Vote: 7-Yes

0-No

0-Abstain

0-Disqualify

ITEM # 6 - Review and take possible action on proposed rules governing recording, photography or the use of broadcasting equipment for Seymour town meeting, per FOI.

Motion to discuss the proposed rules governing recording, photography or the use of broadcasting equipment for Seymour town meeting, per FOI, submitted by Town Counsel.

Motion: Philip Wilhelmy

Second: Annmarie Drugonis

Vote: 7-Yes

0-No

0-Abstain

0-Disqualify

W. Kurt Miller submits the original proposed rules that were sent to the former Town Counsel from FOI Counsel Victor Perpetua. This version includes item's 2 and 3 that are not included in Town Counsel's version. Mr. Loda would like these items put back into the proposed rules that have been drafted by Town Counsel. The two versions will be posted on the website on the Board of Selectmen page to be reviewed and comments may be posted to the email address provided.

Motion to table proposed rules governing recording, photography or the use of broadcasting equipment for Seymour town meetings, per FOI, until rules are researched.

Motion: John Conroy

Second: W. Kurt Miller

Vote: 7-Yes

0-No

0-Abstain

0-Disqualify

Motion to go into Executive Session for pending litigation for Tri-town Plaza with Board of Selectmen and Town Counsel at 8:18PM.

Motion: Philip Wilhelmy

Second: Karl Trybus

Vote: 7-Yes

0-No

0-Abstain

0-Disqualify

Motion to come out of Executive Session for pending litigation for Tri-town Plaza with no action or motions taken at 9:00PM.

Motion: John Conroy

Second: W. Kurt Miller

Vote: 7-Yes

0-No

0-Abstain

0-Disqualify

Paul Roy: Went to his aunt's funeral who was the first Seymour Police Woman for 20 years and he would like to thank the Seymour Police Department for their presence at her services and the wonderful job they did for her.

ITEM # 17 - Executive Session.
Moved to item # 6 on the Agenda.

ITEM # 18 - Adjournment.
Motion to adjourn at 9:34PM.
Motion: Annmarie Drugonis
Vote: 7-Yes 0-No

Second: Karl Trybus
0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

Respectfully submitted by,



Deirdre Caruso,
Recording Secretary

Reviewed by,



Paul F. Roy,
First Selectman