

MINUTES
Board of Selectmen Meeting
Tuesday, March 18, 2008 @ 7:30 PM
Norma Drummer Room/Seymour Town Hall

Members present: Robert J. Koskelowski, First Selectman, Roberta King, John Putorti, John Conroy, Jr. and Town Counsel, George Temple. Annmarie Drugonis arrived at 7:35 PM.

Member not present: Frank Conroy.

Others present: John Leon.

- The First Selectman opened the meeting @ 7:28 PM.
- Everyone saluted the Flag and stated the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion to approve minutes from Board of Selectmen meeting on 3/4/08.

Motion: John Conroy, Jr. Second: Paul Roy

Vote: 5-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

First Selectman's Report:

- Day Street Bridge project will start in a few weeks.
- The First Selectman purchased a Wii for the Senior Center.

Public Comment:

No Action Taken

ITEM # 1 – Port-o-let sealed quotes.

Three sealed quotes received from the following company's

1. Chatfield Power Equipment Co., Inc. quote of \$70.00 per unit and \$8.00 optional damage waiver.
2. Royal Flush Portable Restrooms quote 13 standard portables restrooms at from April through November monthly price of \$52.00.
3. Oxbury Port O Toilet LLC, will rent \$65.00 per unit and \$75.00 per month Handicap unit with maintenance cleaning once a week.

Motion to refer Dennis Rozum, Public Works Director for review and his recommendations at the next meeting.

Motion: Roberta King Second: John Putorti

Vote: 5-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 2 – Approve Farmers Market for 2008.

Motion to approve Farmers Market for 2008 season @ Seymour Community Center every Tuesday from 12:00 – 6:00 PM from May 13, 2008 through October 28, 2008, subject to the Towns discretion.

Motion: John Putorti Second: Paul Roy

Vote: 5-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 3 – Request from Chatfield School Building Committee.

Motion to table request from Chatfield School Building Committee at this time.

Motion: John Conroy, Jr. Second: Paul Roy

Vote: 5-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 4 – Transfers.

Motion to transfer \$20,000 from Contingency Fund Acct # 1-001-410-1950-530-872 into Repairs and Maintenance Acct # 1-001-410-1940-510-430 in the amount of \$10,000 and into the Oil Acct # 1-001-410-1940-510-624 in the amount of \$10,000 to cover five Town buildings. Over half the budget was spent on major unanticipated repairs in the amount of \$35,400.

Motion to approve transfer and refer to the Board of Finance.

Motion: John Putorti Second: John Conroy, Jr.

Vote: 5-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 5 – Appointments.

Motion to reappoint Keith Mitchell as Arborist for a 1-year term expiring 3/31/09.

Motion: John Conroy, Jr. Second: John Purtorti

Vote: 4-Yes (Robert J. Koskelowski, John Conroy, Jr. John Putorti, Paul Roy).

0-No 1-Abstain (Roberta King) 0-Disqualify

Motion to appoint Steve Kulas to the Conservation Commission for a 4-year term expiring 3/18/12.

Motion: Paul Roy Second: John Putorti

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

Motion to reappoint George Balsamo to the Board of Ethics for a 4-year term expiring 2/15/12.

Motion: John Conroy, Jr. Second: John Putorti

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

ITEM # 6 – Tax Refunds/Abatements.

Motion to approve tax refunds in the amount of \$13,104.62.

Motion: John Putorti Second: Annmarie Drugonis

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

ITEM # 7 – Correspondence.

- Check Register
- Letter regarding Joint MEDP Workshop Meeting, Monday, March 31, 2008.

ITEM # 8 – Other Business.

None at this time.

ITEM # 9 – Public Comment.

No Action Taken.

ITEM # 10 – Selectmen's Public Comment.

- Paul Roy asked about the energy savings report for the Town Buildings.
- First Selectman, Robert J. Koskelowski reported that the Board was given this update on the yearly report given in December or January meeting.
- John Conroy, Jr. was made aware by the new Economic Director that their has been interest expressed by developers and retail stores in the Tri Town Plaza and not a lot of action by the owner and apparently there is a tax appeal pending in the court system and until that is resolved it maybe that nothing will happen until then and that would explain a lot regarding moving forward at this time.
- Town Counsel, George Temple responded that we are due to go to trial in the month of April. The position of the owner is that the property is worthless. Currently there is someone interested in the property which is relevant in that proceeding.
- The First Selectman responded that the Fire Marshal and the Building Inspector have been contacted to view property tomorrow to see what needs to be done. There is a contract on the table at this time with a large commercial firm and will be leasing property for storage for about six months and hope to be in by April 1st. The Economic Director, John Criscuolo has worked very hard to bring someone into this property.

At this time the First Selectman, Robert J. Koskelowski, will turn over the Board of Selectmen meeting to the Deputy First Selectman, John Conroy, Jr. @ 7:51 PM so the First Selectman may attend Board of Finance meeting.

ITEM # 11 – Executive Session (Pending Litigation – Clarke vs. Town of Seymour, Personnel, Contract Negotiations).

Motion is made to go into Executive Session @ 7:52 PM regarding Pending Litigation – Clarke vs. Town of Seymour and including Attorney George Temple.

Motion: John Putorti Second: Annmarie Drugonis

Vote: 5-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

Motion to come out of Executive Session with no action taken @ 8:03 PM.

Motion: John Conroy, Jr. Second: John Putorti

Vote: 5-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

Motion to have Attorney George Temple to settle the case of Clarke vs. the Town of Seymour for no more the \$10,000.00.

Motion: John Putorti Second: Roberta King

Vote: 5-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 12 – Adjournment.

Motion to adjourn at 8:05 PM

Motion: John Putorti Second: Roberta King

Vote: 5-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

Submitted by,

Reviewed by,

Denise Powell,
Recording Secretary

Robert J. Koskelowski,
First Selectman