

MINUTES
Board of Selectmen Meeting
Tuesday, September 19, 2006 @ 7:30 PM
Norma Drummer Room/Seymour Town Hall

Members present: First Selectman Robert J. Koskelowski, Patrick Lombardi, John Conroy, Roberta King, Paul Roy, Frank Conroy, and Town Counsel George Temple.

Not present: Yashu Putorti.

Others present: John Leon, Trish Danka, Brian Koskelowski, and Patrick Maturo.

- **The First Selectman opened the meeting at 7:35PM.**
- **Everyone saluted the Flag and stated the Pledge of Allegiance, which was led by the American Legion.**

Motion to approve the minutes from Board of Selectmen Meeting on 9/5/06.

Motion: Patrick Lombardi Second: Frank Conroy
Vote: 6-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

First Selectman's Report:

- **Sidewalks continue on Main Street area.**
- **Former Police Station progress.**
- **Katharine Matthies Grant for \$55,000 for Housing Authority for Police.**
- **Auditors continue their audit.**
- **Look at fixing buildings at parks and fix all bathrooms, porta potties too expensive.**
- **Dog Kennel continuing.**
- **Having air vents cleaned at Town Hall.**
- **Computers wired to copy machine in First Selectman's office, part of contract.**
- **Old Quarry was cleaned up. Very little left.**
- **Public Works getting new dump stickers.**

Motion to place on the table American Legion maintenance of Squantuck Cemetery.

Motion: Patrick Lombardi Second: Roberta King
Vote: 6-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

Michael Kearney of the American Legion Seymour Post 10 and members of the American Legion Oxford Post 174 would like permission to donate their time and money to repair the Squantuck Cemetery located off of Route 34 along with Boy Scout troop's number 1 and 65. Also, an eight year old girl that lives in the neighborhood of the cemetery has donated her own money to buy flowers and bulbs to plant in the cemetery. Public Works will maintain the property after all of the repairs are made.

Motion to approve American Legion's request to repair the Squantuck Cemetery with no cost to the Town.

Motion: John Conroy Second: Frank Conroy

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

ITEM # 1 - Recommendations from the EDC for the Master Economic Development Plan.

Jon Szuch, Chairman of the Seymour EDC states that the recommendation of the EDC is Mt. Auburn Associates from Massachusetts. They interviewed both candidates that submitted bids and found Mt. Auburn to suit the town's needs more than the other company. Mr. Szuch also mentions other projects that the EDC is working on, which include setting up meetings with local business owners, the video of Seymour that should be done by 11/8/06, pamphlets, and possible renovation of the historic downtown area.

ITEM # 2 - Award Master Economic Development Plan.

Motion to award the Master Economic Development Plan to Mt. Auburn Associates from Massachusetts for \$45,000.00.

Motion: Frank Conroy Second: Paul Roy
Vote: 6-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 3 - Set date for Public Hearing for Water Assessment for Thursday, September 28, 2006 @ 7:00PM at the Community Center.

Motion to set public hearing for the water assessments for Thursday, September 28, 2006 at 7:00PM at the Community Center.

Motion: Patrick Lombardi Second: Roberta King
Vote: 6-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 4 - Heating & Air Conditioning contract for Town Buildings recommendation from Town Counsel.

Town Counsel George Temple feels that Oatley Plumbing & Heating from Oxford proposal is a better deal then Edgerton from Monroe. Oatley's hourly rate is less and they are a local business.

Motion to award the Heating & Air Conditioning contract for Town Buildings, which include Town Hall, Community Center, Library, Public Works, 98 Bank Street, and 4 Wakeley Street to Oatley Plumbing & Heating for three years at \$8,222.29 per year and an hourly rate of \$75.00 effective October 1, 2006 per contract.

Motion: John Conroy Second: Patrick Lombardi
Vote: 6-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 5 - Skokorat Street traffic.

Many complaints have been expressed to the First Selectman and the Board of Selectmen about the traffic on Skokorat Street due to the development in Beacon Falls. Also, Tracey Terrace will be no parking. The residents in that area have a petition and would like something done due to the hazard the construction vehicles are causing. The First Selectman would like them to bring the petition to the Board of Police Commissioners since they are the traffic authority in Town. The Town Counsel will also draft an ordinance to fine violators of the No thru Trucks signs that they want put up. The First Selectman will write a letter to the Police Commission asking them to address this issue. A notice will be put in the paper to have a public

hearing on the ordinance to enforce no truck traffic and no commercial vehicle overnight parking on Town Streets.

- Several comments were made regarding the traffic situation in the Skokorat Street area.

Motion to set a public hearing on two proposed ordinances on "No thru Truck Traffic" and no commercial vehicle overnight parking on town streets for Tuesday, October 3, 2006 @ 7:00PM in the Norma Drummer Room.

Motion: Frank Conroy Second: Patrick Lombardi
Vote: 6-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 6 - Resolution for Library Air Conditioning Grant.

Motion to pass the resolution to apply for a grant to replace the air conditioning system in the Seymour Library.

Motion: Paul Roy Second: Frank Conroy
Vote: 6-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 7 - Waive bidding for pens for the dog kennel.

Motion to waive bidding for 6 pens for the new dog kennel.

Motion: John Conroy Second: Patrick Lombardi
Vote: 6-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 8 - Award bid for pens for the dog kennel.

Quote received from Shor-line for 6 pens for the dog kennel for a total of \$13,180.00.

Motion to accept quote for 6 pens for the dog kennel for a total of \$13,180.00 from SHOR-LINE from Kansas.

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

ITEM # 9 - Proposal for additional work to be done at the Former Police Station.

Proposal for \$30,000 for additional work on the Former Police Station for rough plumbing, including shower stalls, install all partitions, install kitchen cabinets including sink and exhaust hood. Money received from the Katharine Matthies Foundation.

Motion to approve proposal for \$30,000 Katharine Matthies Grant money from Jachimowski Construction to do the above additional work on the Former Police Station.

Motion: Patrick Lombardi Second: Frank Conroy
Vote: 6-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

Motion to approve proposal for "Regional Training Center" lettering on the Assembly Hall from Jachimowski Construction for \$1,000.00.

Motion: Patrick Lombardi Second: John Conroy
Vote: 6-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 10 - Appointments.

Motion to appoint Ralph Noel to the Inland Wetlands Commission for a 4-year term expiring 12/31/08.

Motion: Paul Roy Second: Frank Conroy

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

Motion to appoint William Paecht to the Planning & Zoning Commission for a 2-year term expiring 11/17/07.

**Motion: Patrick Lombardi Second: Roberta King
Vote: 6-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify**

Motion to appoint Alfred Yagovane to the Board of Finance for a 2-year term expiring on 11/6/07.

**Motion: Patrick Lombardi Second: Frank Conroy
Vote: 6-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify**

Motion to appoint Michele Pavlik to the Senior Citizens Tax Relief Committee for an indefinite term.

**Motion: Paul Roy Second: John Conroy
Vote: 6-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify**

Motion to appoint James Graham and Walter Woods as temporary Building Inspectors to replace Frank Cardello while he is on sick leave.

**Motion: Frank Conroy Second: Patrick Lombardi
Vote: 6-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify**

ITEM # 11 - Transfers.

Motion to transfer for Waste Collection \$38,176.00 from Contingency acct # 1-001410-1950-530-872 into Utility services collection of refuse acct # 1-001-430-3230-590-410 to cover the new garbage contract shortfall.

**Motion: Roberta King Second: Patrick Lombardi
Vote: 6-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify**

ITEM # 12 - Tax Refunds/Abatements.

Motion to approve tax refunds in the amount of \$200.72.

**Motion: Patrick Lombardi Second: Paul Roy
Vote: 6-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify**

ITEM # 13 - Correspondence.

- Check Registers.
- Letter to Latella Rubbish Removal awarding door to door garbage contract.
- Letter to Sue Cable of Beacon Falls regarding traffic on Skokorat Street.
- Energy comparison report.

Motion to place on the table Resolutions for Electronic Voting Equipment Agreement.

**Motion: Patrick Lombardi Second: Paul Roy
Vote: 6-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify**

Motion to pass the resolution for the IVS voting system for the election on November 7, 2006.

**Motion: Paul Roy Second: Patrick Lombardi
Vote: 6-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify**

Motion to pass the resolution for the LHS optical scan voting machines to be used at the November 6, 2007 election.

Motion: John Conroy Second: Patrick Lombardi
Vote: 6-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

Motion to place on the table Affirmative Action/Equal Employment Policy Statement.

Motion: Patrick Lombardi Second: John Conroy
Vote: 6-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

Motion to approve updated Affirmative Action/Equal Employment Policy Statement.

Motion: John Conroy Second: Roberta King
Vote: 6-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

Motion to place on the table incident with the Police Department.

Motion: Paul Roy Second: Frank Conroy
Vote: 2-Yes (Paul Roy and Frank Conroy) 4-No (Robert J. Koskelowski, Patrick Lombardi, John Conroy, Roberta King) 0-Abstain 0-Diqualify

ITEM # 14 - Executive Session (Contract Negotiations, Pending Litigation, Personnel)
None at this time.

ITEM # 15 - Public Comment.
No Action Taken.

ITEM # 16 - Adjournment.
Motion to adjourn at 9:20 PM.

Motion: John Conroy Second: Patrick Lombardi
Vote: 6-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

Submitted by,

Attested to:

Deirdre Caruso,
Recording Secretary

Robert J. Koskelowski,
First Selectman