

MINUTES
Board of Selectmen Meeting
Tuesday, July 11, 2006 @ 7:30 PM
Norma Drummer Room/Seymour Town Hall

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

Not present: Patrick Lombardi.

Others present: Scott Martin, Jeanne Loda, Frank Loda, Trish Danka, Jim Simpson, Walter Birdsell, Howard Simpson, Marco Gianotti, Jim Rafferty, Tom Eighmie, Paul Wetowitz, Joseph Marcinek, and Michele Pavlik.

- The First Selectman opened the meeting at 7:30 PM.
- Everyone Saluted the Flag and stated the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion to approve minutes from Board of Selectmen Meeting on 6/20/06.

Motion: John Conroy **Second:** Roberta King

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

First Selectman's Report:

- Town Hall and Community Center started 4 day work week.
- Library new work week will begin the week of the 17th.
- New thermostats put in Town Hall, the Board will be updated on energy savings.
- Having Library and Community Center systems checked.
- Began comparing utility and fuel costs for each month.
- Culture & Arts use gym on Sunday if it rains during their concerts at French Park.
- Work at High School football fields.
- New signs being made for transfer station.
- Guard rails being installed on Old Drive.
- New drainage pipes for Assembly Hall.
- Katharine Matthies Grants will be awarded soon.
- Roads will begin to be paved by the end of the week depending on weather.
- Year end shows a 6-digit surplus.
- Senior Citizen Tax Freeze.

ITEM # 1 - Recommendations from the Building Committee on the contractor for the Great Hill Fire House addition.

Scott Martin, Chairman of the Great Hill Fire House Addition Committee tells the Board that the building committee has decided to recommend Jachimowski Construction's bid for the addition project, for \$364,000 that came in on 6/20/06.

ITEM # 2 - Transfers.

Motion to transfer \$49,000 for the Great Hill Fire House addition project from the Fund Balance acct# 2-001-390-0000-000-000 into Great Hill Addition acct# 1-001-410-1950-530-869 for additional cost to build the fire house addition. Original budget of

\$360,000 was based on 2003 material costs. Due to escalating material cost the revised budget is \$409,000. To be referred to the Board of Finance.

Motion: Roberta King Second: John Conroy
Vote: 6-yes 0-no 0-abstain 0-disqualify

ITEM # 3 - Take action on awarding contract for the Great Hill Fire House addition.
Motion to award the Great Hill Fire House addition project to Jachimowski Construction for \$364,000, contingent upon the Board of Finance approving the \$49,000 transfer.

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

ITEM # 4 - Open bids for Master Economic Development Plan.
Motion to table and extend until August 8, 2006.

Motion: Roberta King Second: Yashu Putorti
Vote: 6-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 5 - Waive the bidding for the replacement of sidewalks on sections of DeForest Street, Wakley Street, and First Street.
A balance of approximately \$40,000 from the sidewalk improvement grant is remaining and must be used before September 2006.

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

ITEM # 6 - Go out for quotes for replacement sidewalks on DeForest, Wakley, and First Streets come in by Tuesday, July 25, 2006 @ 4:30 PM and reviewed by Town Engineer for his recommendations.
Motion to go out for quotes for replacement sidewalks on DeForest, Wakley, and First Streets come no later then Tuesday, July 25, 2006 @ 4:30 PM and reviewed by Town Engineer for his recommendations.

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

ITEM # 7 - Request from Board of Finance Chairperson.
Trish Danka, Chairperson of the Board of Finance would like the Board of Selectmen to support the Board of Finance in finding ways to save the Town money. One suggestion that she has is to stop certain police officers from taking home police vehicles and for the police to have a mileage log. The First Selectman states that it is up to the Board of Police Commissioners to take care of policies in the police department and that the police department does have mileage logs already.

Motion to adopt the Board of Finance recommendation to notify all departments that all take home vehicles not to be used for personal use, not including the Chief of Police, Fire Chief, Fire Marshal, Dog Warden, and volunteers.

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

Motion to have the Board of Selectmen endorse the review process underway by the Board of Finance to conserve money in the town.

Motion: John Conroy Second: Yashu Putorti

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

ITEM # 8 - Waive the bidding on two new Police Vehicles.

Motion to waive bidding on two new police vehicles that are in the budget for this year.

Motion: Yashu Putorti Second: Roberta King

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

ITEM # 9 - Approve the quotes from Crowley Ford for the two new Police Vehicles.

Motion to award the two quotes from Crowley Ford dated June 29, 2006 for two new police vehicles, one 2007 Crown Victoria Police Interceptor for \$21,511.00 and the other a 2007 Ford Expedition for \$25,789.00 with trade in on 2003 Crown Vic \$2,300.00 and 2004 Crown Vic \$3,700.00, which are in the budget for this year.

Motion: Yashu Putorti Second: Roberta King

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

ITEM # 10 - Approve the final 2006 LOCIP & Town funds for the road projects.

Motion to use balance of 2006 LOCIP funds as \$10,000 additional paving on Mountain Road and \$10,000 additional paving on Pearl Street up to Stoddard or Grand Streets.

Motion: Yashu Putorti Second: Paul Roy

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

ITEM # 11 - Go out to bid for center line painting.

Motion to go out to bid for line painting and parking lot painting bids to come in for the August 8, 2006.

Motion: Roberta King Second: Yashu Putorti

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

ITEM # 12 - Tax Refunds/Abatements.

Motion to approve tax refunds in the amount of \$1,132.87.

Motion: John Conroy Second: Paul Roy

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

ITEM # 13 - Appointments.

Motion to appoint Richard Lazarski to the Charter Revision Commission for a 2-month term expiring on 9/1/06.

Motion: Roberta King Second: John Conroy

Vote: 4-Yes (Robert J. Koskelowski, John Conroy, Roberta King, Yashu Putorti)

2-No (Paul Roy, Frank Conroy) 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

Motion to appoint Sara Brauer to the Charter Revision Commission for a 2-month term expiring on 9/1/06.

Motion: John Conroy Second: Yashu Putorti

Vote: 4-Yes (Robert J. Koskelowski, John Conroy, Roberta King, Yashu Putorti)

2-No (Paul Roy, Frank Conroy) 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

Resolution of the Board of Selectmen Tuesday, July 11, 2006

Be it hereby resolved that the Seymour Board of Selectmen formed a Charter Revision Commission on July 11, 2006 for the purpose of proposing revisions to the Town Charter and to implement said charter revision process, hereby appoints the following electors to serve as member of said Charter Revision Commission: Richard Lazarski (R), Sara Brauer (R), Gary Freeman (U), Walter Birdsell (D), and Karl Trybus (D).

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

The Charter Revision Commission will be reviewing parts of the Annual Town Meeting Section in the Charter and possibly some other sections.

ITEM # 17 - Executive Session (Personnel, Contract Negotiations, Pending Litigation)
None at this time.

ITEM # 18 - Public Comment.
No Action Taken.

Motion to rescind motion to appoint Richard Lazarski to the Charter Revision Commission.

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

Motion to appoint Richard Lazarski to the Charter Revision Commission for a 2-month term expiring on 9/1/06.

Motion: Roberta King Second: John Conroy
Vote: 4-Yes (Robert J. Koskelowski, John Conroy, Roberta King, Yashu Putorti)
2-No (Paul Roy, Frank Conroy) 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

Motion to rescind motion to appoint Sara Brauer to the Charter Revision Commission.

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

Motion to appoint Sara Brauer to the Charter Revision Commission for a 2-month term expiring on 9/1/06.

Motion: John Conroy Second: Yashu Putorti
Vote: 4-Yes (Robert J. Koskelowski, John Conroy, Roberta King, Yashu Putorti)
2-No (Paul Roy, Frank Conroy) 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

Motion to rescind motion to appoint Gary Freeman to the Charter Revision Commission.

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

Motion to appoint Gary Freeman to the Charter Revision Commission for a 2-month term expiring on 9/1/06.

Motion: Yashu Putorti Second: John Conroy
Vote: 4-Yes (Robert J. Koskelowski, John Conroy, Roberta King, Yashu Putorti)
2-No (Paul Roy, Frank Conroy) 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

Motion to rescind motion to appoint Walter Birdsell to the Charter Revision Commission.

Motion: Yashu Putorti

Second: John Conroy

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

Motion to appoint Walter Birdsell to the Charter Revision Commission for a 2-month term expiring on 9/1/06.

Motion: Yashu Putorti

Second: John Conroy

Vote: 4-Yes (Robert J. Koskelowski, John Conroy, Roberta King, Yashu Putorti)

2-No (Paul Roy, Frank Conroy) 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

Motion to rescind motion to appoint Karl Trybus to the Charter Revision Commission.

Motion: John Conroy

Second: Yashu Putorti

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

Motion to appoint Karl Trybus to the Charter Revision Commission for a 2-month term expiring on 9/1/06.

Motion: John Conroy

Second: Yashu Putorti

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

ITEM # 19 - Adjournment.

Motion to adjourn @ 9:00 PM.

Motion: John Conroy

Second: Yashu Putorti

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

Respectfully submitted by,

Attested to:

**Deirdre Caruso,
Recording Secretary**

**Robert J. Koskelowski,
First Selectman**