

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

Members present: First Selectman Robert J. Koskelowski, Patrick Lombardi, John Conroy, Roberta King, Yashu Putorti, Paul Roy, and Town Counsel George Temple.
Others present: Ken Hoffman, Frank Loda, Carmie Potash, Bob Potash, Michelle Pavlik, Richard LaClaire, Judy LaClaire, Melanie Kalako, Tom Shutte, Joseph Marcinek, Paul Hassler, and Art Berardi.

- 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 Special Board of Selectmen Meeting on 2/23/06.

Motion: Patrick Lombardi Second: Frank Conroy

Vote: 5-Yes (Robert J. Koskelowski, Patrick Lombardi, Roberta King, Paul Roy, Frank Conroy) 0-No 2-Abstain (John Conroy, Yashu Putorti) 0-Disqualify

First Selectman's Report:

- Sunday, February 26, 2006 Iwo Jima Memorial at Marine Hall.
- Water Audit coming soon.
- Met new Aquarian Water Co. representative.
- \$12,000.00 for last Thursday's storm and Town Hall was closed at 3:00 PM.
- Presented budgets to Board of Finance last night.
- Have a meeting with Birm-1 regarding downtown sidewalks tomorrow 3/8/06.
- Met with the developer for the proposed project on Route 34, which will be presented to P&Z this coming Thursday.
- Working on getting a representative from the High School to video tape meetings.

ITEM # 1 – Waive bidding on video production project for the EDC.

The Board of Selectmen and the Board of Finance have both approved the transfer of \$16,900.00 to hire Video Production Associates from Shelton, CT to produce a video/DVD of the Town of Seymour to be used to distribute to realtors, developers, etc.

Motion to waive the bidding on the video production project.

Motion: Paul Roy Second: Patrick Lombardi

Vote: 7-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 2 – Award contract for video production project.

Motion to award the contract for the video production project to Video Production Associates from Shelton, CT, for \$16,900.00.

Motion: Patrick Lombardi Second: Paul Roy

Vote: 6-Yes (Robert J. Koskelowski, Patrick Lombardi, John Conroy, Yashu Putorti, Paul Roy, Frank Conroy) 0-No 1-Abstain (Roberta King) 0-Disqualify

Motion to place on the table 2006/2007 Capital Projects.

Motion: Yashu Putorti Second: Roberta King

Vote: 7-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

These are the capital projects that the First Selectman is going to propose to the Board of Finance for 2006/2007.

- Purchase one large dump truck.
- Bucket Loader \$60,000.00 over 4-years short-term.
- Borrowing total \$240,000.00.
- Park improvements \$45,000.00 one time expenditure.
- Fire chief vehicle \$8,300.00 lease payment.
- Dog Kennel \$30,000.00. One time expenditure. \$30,000 was received from a Katharine Matthies Grant last year. The total project cost is approximately \$59,000.00.
- Roads \$60,000.00, transportation grant for disabled and the elderly 50% Town share \$9,412.00.
- Town Contingency \$80,000.00.

Motion to approve the above capital projects for the 2006-2007 fiscal year and send them to the Board of Finance for approval.

Motion: Roberta King Second: Patrick Lombardi
Vote: 7-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 3 – Discuss and take action on Town Energy Conservation Plan.
Table this item.

ITEM # 4 – Transfers.

Motion for an emergency transfer for the Public Works Department of \$4,600.00 from Fund Balance acct 2-001-390-0000-000-000 into Repairs and Maintenance acct # 1-001-430-3110-570-430 to cover the replacement cost of the diesel fuel pump at the Public Works garage.

Motion: John Conroy Second: Frank Conroy
Vote: 7-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

Motion to transfer for the Public Works \$14,000.00 from fund balance acct # 2-001-390-0000-000-000 into Snow Plowing Overtime acct # 1-001-430-3110-570-430 for \$11,500.00 and into Snow Plowing Materials acct # 1-001-430-3110-570-422 \$2,500.00 to cover the cost of the snow removal from the storm of 3/2/06. To be sent to the Board of Finance.

Motion: Patrick Lombardi Second: Yashu Putorti
Vote: 7-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

Motion to transfer for the Parks & Town Buildings \$80,000.00 From the Skate Park Land Revenue acct # 2-001-350-0100-000-000 into Parks General Supplies acct # 1-001-450-5220-635-610 for \$45,000.00 and into Repairs for 4 Wakley Street Building acct # 1-001-410-1950-530-861 contingent upon receiving the \$80,000.00 refund check from the State of Connecticut for the Town's purchase of Skate Park land. For repairs and maintenance on Seymour High School fields and code updates to the 4 Wakley Street Building. To be sent to the Board of Finance.

Motion: Yashu Putorti Second: Roberta King
Vote: 6-Yes (Robert J. Koskelowski, Patrick Lombardi, John Conroy, Roberta King, Paul Roy, Frank Conroy) 1-No (Yashu Putorti) 0-Abstain 0-Diqualify

Motion to transfer for Town Buildings \$25,000.00 from Fund Balance 2-001-390-0000-000-000 into Town Buildings Repairs and Maintenance acct # 1-001-410-1940-510-430. The reason for this transfer is the Town had unexpected extensive repairs and maintenance that

were not included in the budget. The transfer is needed to cover possible unexpected repairs and Town obligations to all Town Buildings for the rest of the year. To be sent to the Board of Finance.

Motion: John Conroy Second: Roberta King
Vote: 7-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 5 – Appointments.

Motion to appoint Jay Hatfield to the Elementary School Planning Committee for a 6-month term expiring 8-21-06.

Motion: Roberta King Second: Patrick Lombardi
Vote: 7-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

Motion to appoint Fred Stanek to the Elementary School Planning Committee for a 6-month term expiring 8-21-06.

Motion: Paul Roy Second: Yashu Putorti
Vote: 7-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

Motion to re-appoint George Balsamo to the Board of Ethics for a two-year term expiring 2/15/08.

Motion: Yashu Putorti Second: Patrick Lombardi
Vote: 6-Yes (Robert J. Koskelowski, Patrick Lombardi, Roberta King, Yashu Putorti, Paul Roy, Frank Conroy) 0-No 1-Abstain (John Conroy) 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 6 – Tax Refunds/Abatements.

Motion to approve tax refunds in the amount of \$5,718.18.

Motion: Patrick Lombardi Second: Yashu Putorti
Vote: 7-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 7 – Correspondence.

Check Registers.

ITEM # 8 – Audit for Sewer Project update.

The First Selectman reads the audit on the Town of Seymour Sewer Expansion project from Equale & Cirone, LLP and the results were that the final assessment for each property owner is \$16,046.23, which happens to be \$146.00 more than the original assessment that was received. All of the Board Members received a copy of the Audit.

ITEM # 9 – Other Business.

- Frank Conroy, Paul Roy, and Yashu Putorti all went to the open space property at Briarwood Estates and they agree with the Conservation Commission Chairman's opinion that the map of the property does not match the property. They also feel that there is a lot of liability and a fence needs to be put up around the detention pond and there are visible zoning violations. They do not feel that it is in the best interest of the Town to accept this property. They would like the Wetlands Enforcement Officer and the Zoning Enforcement Officer to go to the property and check for violations.

ITEM # 10 – Executive Session (Personnel, Contract Negotiations, Pending Litigation)

None at this time.

The Town Counsel gives a Legal Opinion on the issue concerning the vehicle purchased for the Chief of Police that the Board of Police Commissioners did not go out to bid for. Legal

