

MINUTES
Board of Selectmen Meeting
Tuesday, September 06, 2005 @ 7:30 PM
Norma Drummer Room/Seymour Town Hall

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

Not present: Paul Rosebrock.

Others present: John Leon, Bill Kovacs, Michelle Pavlik, Alex Danka, Fred Stanek, James Garofolo, Richard Lazarski, David Sharkey, Sara Brauer, Tony Porter, Esther Rozum, Duane Mandeville, Nancy Mandeville, Rick Sanchez, Joseph Marcinek, Paul Roy, and Frank Connors.

- **The First Selectman opened the meeting 7:40 PM.**
- **Everyone Saluted the Flag and stated the Pledge of Allegiance.**

Motion to approve Minutes from 8/16/05 Board of Selectmen Meeting.

Motion: Patrick Lombardi Second: Roberta King

Vote: 4-Yes (Robert J. Koskelowski, Patrick Lombardi, Roberta King, Frank Conroy) 0-No 2-Abstain (Jeanne Loda & John Putorti) 0-Disqualify

First Selectman's Report:

- **Action Moving & Storage at 130 New Haven Road, Seymour, CT 06483 have donated two tractor-trailer trucks to drive down south with donations for the Hurricane Katrina victims. Donations can be dropped off between 8 AM and 6 PM. Employees at Town Hall have collected \$400.00 to give to Red Cross.**

ITEM # 1 - Consider and take action on the Draft Report for the Charter revision submitted by the Charter Revision Commission including possible recommendations to the Commission for changes.

ITEM # 2 - Consider and take action on the forwarding of the Draft Report together with any recommendations for changes to the Charter Revision Commission.

Motion to change section 10.7.3 Emergency Medical Services Commission. Add the word "Oversight" to that title to read, "Emergency Medical Services Oversight Commission".

Motion: Patrick Lombardi Second: Roberta King

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

Motion to change section 12.3 (b): The words "act upon" to be removed from section 12.3 (a), line 2. Section 12.3 (b): The words "and to act upon" to be removed from section 12.3 (b) paragraph 5 (6a) line 1 on the second page.

Motion: Roberta King Second: Patrick Lombardi

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

ITEM # 3 - Conference with Charter Revision Commission concerning any changes recommended by the Board of Selectmen.

- The Charter Revision Commission was asked if they understand the change recommendations from the Board of Selectmen and they answer “Yes”, and proceed to leave for their own meeting.

**ITEM # 4 – Set Public Hearing date for Ordinances for 9/20/05 at 8:00PM.
Motion to set Public Hearing date for Anti Blight and Eminent Domain Ordinances for 9/20/05 at 8:00PM in the Norma Drummer Room at Seymour Town Hall.**

**Motion: Jeanne Loda Second: Patrick Lombardi
Vote: 6-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify**

**ITEM # 5 – Approve invoice for the Former Police Station renovation project.
Motion to approve invoice # 3 from Smith Osborne Architects dated 9-1-05 for \$4,017.91 for Construction Documents and Bidding and Negotiations.**

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

Motion to place on the table Mountain Road improvement project.

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

Motion to approve signing contract to Guerrera Construction for the Mountain Road improvement project that was awarded to them in 2002 for \$278,084.00 and to increase the amount by \$55,616.00 for a total amount of \$333,700.00. The reason of the increase is due to increases in costs over the last three years.

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

**Recess at 8:00PM for a Special Town Meeting on Easement request from Kerite.
Come out of recess at 8:05 PM.**

Motion to move item # 9 up on the Agenda.

**Motion: John Putorti Second: Jeanne Loda
Vote: 6-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify**

**ITEM # 9 - Act in Lieu of Special Town Meeting for Easement request from Kerite.
Lack of Quorum not due to weather.**

Mike Horbal and a representative from the Kerite Company show drawings of the project proposed. The Easement will be for the relocation of the utilities for the Kerite Company for the reconstruction of the Day Street Bridge.

Motion to act in lieu of Special Town Meeting for Easement request from Kerite for \$1.00 and other valuable consideration.

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

Motion to put Agenda back in order.

Motion: Roberta King Second: Jeanne Loda
Vote: 6-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 6 - Open bids for Water Project Audit.

The First Selectman’s Office received two bids for the water project audit.

- 1) Equale & Cirone - \$3,500.00 – not to exceed \$4,950.00.**
- 2) Sawicki and Lombardozzi - \$4,250.00.**

Motion to refer to the Finance Director and get a recommendation for 9/20/05 meeting.

Motion: Jeanne Loda Second: John Putorti
Vote: 6-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 7 - Request from Seymour Ambulance Association.

Seymour Ambulance Association requests that the Town continues Chief Scott Andrews health insurance and allow them to reimburse the Town the cost.

Motion to grant the request from Seymour Ambulance Association to allow Chief Scott Andrews to continue his health insurance on the Town’s policy and they will reimburse the Town for the cost.

Motion: Jeanne Loda Second: Patrick Lombardi
Vote: 6-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 8 - Second Supplemental Agreement for the Day Street Bridge Project.

Motion to allow the First Selectman to sign the Second Supplemental Agreement for the Day Street Bridge Project.

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

ITEM # 10 – Appointments.

Motion to appoint Ian Johnson to the Economic Development Commission for a term expiring 3/31/07.

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

ITEM # 11 – Tax Refunds and Abatements.

Motion to approve \$3,142.62 in tax refunds.

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

ITEM # 12 – Transfers.

None at this time.

ITEM # 13 – Correspondence.

- Check registers.**

ITEM # 14 - Consider and take action on the Final Report of the Charter Revision Commission.

The Charter Revision Commission unanimously accept the changes proposed by the Board of Selectmen and also make sure that the Charter changes are published in the local newspaper and web-site to educate the public.

Motion to approve final draft of the Charter Revision report.

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

ITEM # 15 - Consider and take action on the submission of the proposed Charter amendments to the electors of the Town of Seymour for approval or rejection at the regular election to be held on November 8, 2005.

Motion to submit the proposed Charter amendments to the electors of the Town of Seymour for approval or rejection at the regular election to be held on November 8, 2005.

Motion: Roberta King Second: Jeanne Loda
Vote: 6-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 16 – Consider and take action on the submission of the proposed Charter Amendments for the ballot and the approval of a question or questions to be placed on the ballot for the November 8, 2005 election.

Motion to accept Question # 1:

Shall section 10.7.3 of the Charter be amended to provide that the Emergency Medical Services Oversight Commission shall consist of five (5) members none of whom may be a member of the Emergency Medical Services provider and to provide that said Commission exercise oversight over said provider, negotiate contracts with same and perform such other duties as required by law?

Motion: Jeanne Loda Second: Patrick Lombardi
Vote: 6-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

Motion to accept Question # 2:

Shall section 12.3 of the Charter be amended to change the annual town budget process to provide for separate votes for general government and Board of Education budgets at adjourned Town Meeting by machine ballot referendum and continued adjourned Town Meetings by machine ballot referendum until said complete budget shall have passed with the exception that revenues, debt service, and all legal obligations shall pass automatically if not approved by June 15?

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

ITEM # 17 – Other Business.
None at this time.

ITEM # 18 – Executive Session (Pending Litigation, Personnel, Contract Negotiations)
None at this time.

**ITEM # 19 – PUBLIC COMMENT.
No Action Taken.**

**ITEM # 20 – Adjournment.
Motion to Adjourn at 8:50 PM.**

Motion: John Putorti

Second: Roberta King

Vote: 6-Yes 0-No

0-Abstain

0-Disqualify

Submitted by,

Attested to:

**Deirdre Caruso,
Recording Secretary**

**Robert J. Koskelowski,
First Selectman**