

MINUTES
Board of Selectmen Meeting
Tuesday, August 16, 2005 @ 7:30 PM
Norma Drummer Room/Seymour Town Hall

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

Not present: John Putorti and Jeanne Loda.

Others present: Walter Birdsell, Michael Durette, Michelle Pavlik, Cindy Pompa, James Garofolo, Scott Martin, Paul Roy, John Leon, and Joseph Marcinek.

- **The First Selectman opened the meeting at 7:34 PM.**

Motion to approve minutes from the Board of Selectmen meeting on 8/2/05.

Motion: Paul Rosebrock Second: Patrick Lombardi

Vote: 4-Yes (Robert J. Koskelowski, Patrick Lombardi, Paul Rosebrock, Roberta King) 0-No 1-Abstain (Frank Conroy) 0-Disqualify

First Selectman's Report:

- **The First Selectman reports that when the Town went out for bonding two weeks ago that the Town received an interest rate of 4% on permanent bonding, which includes the High School. The Town also received 2.89% interest on short-term bonding, which also includes future projects. The Town of Seymour received the lowest interest rate for short term bonding.**

ITEM # 1 – Present plaque to Dr. Nanavati.

- **First Selectman, Robert J. Koskelowski and Seymour Dog Warden, Joe LaRovera present Dr. Nanavati of Ansonia Animal Hospital a plaque in appreciation of all of his years of service taking care of the animals from Seymour.**

ITEM # 2 – Former Police Station Building Committee.

- **Chairman of the Former Police Station Building Committee, Patrick Lombardi, along with Committee members Paul Rosebrock, Scott Andrews, Tom Davis, and Lee Osborne of Smith Osborne Architects present the design drawings for the renovation project to the Board of Selectmen for approval. Lee Osborne briefly explains the drawings and the construction project with the Board and states that they are ready to go out to bid. Town Counsel states that he will draw up an additional contract for the contractor as a guarantee that the job will be completed by the date specified in the project time-line or else they will be fined for each additional day over the completion date.**

Motion to authorize the Former Police Station Building Committee to go out to bid for the construction contract for the renovation project and have the bids come into the First Selectman's Office by September 13, 2005 to be opened by the Building

Committee and have a recommendation presented to the Board of Selectmen at their September 20, 2005 meeting.

Motion: Roberta King **Second: Frank Conroy**
Vote: 5-Yes **0-No** **0-Abstain** **0-Disqualify**

ITEM # 3 – Fire Commission request to waive bidding on inflatable boat.

- **The Fire Commission requests that the Board of Selectmen waive the bidding for an inflatable boat for the dive team due to rising prices. They have submitted four quotes and a description of the boat. They would like to take the lowest quote from Sound Inflatables from Old Saybrook, CT for \$6,500.00. The funds are in their budget for this purchase.**

Motion to waive the bidding for an inflatable boat for the Dive Team.

Motion: Paul Rosebrock **Second: Patrick Lombardi**
Vote: 5-Yes **0-No** **0-Abstain** **0-Disqualify**

Motion to allow the Fire Department Dive Team to purchase a Zodiac Mark II Grand Raid Inflatable Boat from Sound Inflatables in Old Saybrook, CT for \$6,500.00.

Motion: Roberta King **Second: Patrick Lombardi**
Vote: 5-Yes **0-No** **0-Abstain** **0-Disqualify**

ITEM # 4 – Go out to bid for installation of pedestrian bridge.

- **Nafis & Young Engineers has reviewed the two bids that were received on August 2, 2005 for the pedestrian bridge at Legion Pool. They recommend the lowest bidder, which is Steadfast Bridges from Fort Payne, AL for \$25,291.00.**

Motion to award the bid for the pedestrian bridge to Steadfast Bridges from Fort Payne, AL for \$25,291.00 contingent upon financing.

Motion: Roberta King **Second: Patrick Lombardi**
Vote: 5-Yes **0-No** **0-Abstain** **0-Disqualify**

Motion to go out to bid for the installation of the pedestrian bridge and have the bids come into the First Selectman’s Office on 9/20/05.

Motion: Paul Rosebrock **Second: Roberta King**
Vote: 5-Yes **0-No** **0-Abstain** **0-Disqualify**

Motion to place on the table to go out to bid for an Architect for the Great Hill Fire House Addition project.

Motion: Roberta King **Second: Patrick Lombardi**
Vote: 5-Yes **0-No** **0-Abstain** **0-Disqualify**

Motion to go out to bid for an Architect for the Great Hill Fire House Addition and have the bids come into the First Selectman’s office on 9/20/05 at 5:00 PM.

Motion: Paul Rosebrock **Second: Roberta King**

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

Motion to place on the table Seymour Land Trust.

Motion: Patrick Lombardi Second: Roberta King

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

The Seymour Land Trust would like to create a book called “Hikes and Short Walks with Trail in Seymour”. This would be a full color booklet with a map. They would like permission to mark the trails that are on Town property with colors.

Motion to approve Seymour Land Trust’s request to mark the trails located on trails located on property owned by the Town of Seymour in order to publish a booklet.

Motion: Paul Rosebrock Second: Patrick Lombardi

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

ITEM # 5 – Change date on Special Town Meeting for Easement request to 9/6/05.

Motion to change the date of the Special Town Meeting for the Easement request from Kerite to September 6, 2005 at 8:00 PM.

Motion: Patrick Lombardi Second: Roberta King

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

Motion to have the Town Engineer, Public Works Director, and Ron Skurat, President of the Seymour Land Trust start work on the track at Chatfield Park due to the \$25,000.00 that the Town received from the Katharine Matthies Foundation.

Motion: Patrick Lombardi Second: Paul Rosebrock

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

ITEM # 6 – Appointments.

Motion to appoint Robert Pagliaro as a Planning & Zoning alternate for a 4-year term expiring on 8/16/09.

Motion: Patrick Lombardi Second: Roberta King

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

Motion to appoint Al Yagovane as a Planning & Zoning alternate for a 4-year term expiring on 8/16/09.

Motion: Paul Rosebrock Second: Roberta King

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

Motion to appoint Joe LaRovera to the Recreation Commission for a 2-year term expiring on 8/3/06.

Motion: Roberta King Second: Paul Rosebrock

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

Motion to re-appoint Helen Sherwinsky to the Commission on Aging for a 2-year term expiring on 3/31/07.

Motion: Patrick Lombardi **Second: Roberta King**
Vote: 5-Yes **0-No** **0-Abstain** **0-Disqualify**

Motion to re-appoint Connie Criscuolo to the Commission on Aging for a 2-year term expiring on 3/31/07.

Motion: Paul Rosebrock **Second: Frank Conroy**
Vote: 5-Yes **0-No** **0-Abstain** **0-Disqualify**

Motion to re-appoint Virginia Dota to the Commission on Aging for a 2-year term expiring on 3/31/07.

Motion: Roberta King **Second: Patrick Lombardi**
Vote: 5-Yes **0-No** **0-Abstain** **0-Disqualify**

Motion to re-appoint Robert Kezelevich to the Commission on Aging for a 2-year term expiring on 5/31/07.

Motion: Roberta King **Second: Paul Rosebrock**
Vote: 5-Yes **0-No** **0-Abstain** **0-Disqualify**

ITEM # 7 – Tax Refunds/Abatements.

Motion to approve tax refunds in the amount of \$2,086.13.

Motion: Patrick Lombardi **Second: Paul Rosebrock**
Vote: 5-Yes **0-No** **0-Abstain** **0-Disqualify**

ITEM # 8 – Transfers.

None at this time.

ITEM # 9 – Correspondence.

9-a: Letter to Municipal Energy retaining their services to try to get an additional refund from CL&P concerning street lights in the Town of Seymour.

9-b: Check registers from 8/4/05 & 8/5/05.

ITEM # 10 – Waive tax bill for George J. Hummel Little League.

Motion to waive the tax bill for George J. Hummel Little League for \$2,798.66.

Motion: Paul Rosebrock **Second: Patrick Lombardi**
Vote: 5-Yes **0-No** **0-Abstain** **0-Disqualify**

ITEM # 11 – Arbitration (Bill Kovacs).

Mr. Bill Kovacs gives the Board of Selectmen literature on the Connecticut Municipal Consortium concerning arbitration.

Motion to participate with other municipalities on the Connecticut Municipal Consortium concerning arbitration.

Motion: Paul Rosebrock **Second: Patrick Lombardi**
Vote: 5-Yes **0-No** **0-Abstain** **0-Disqualify**

Motion to place on the table Benchmark Computers.

Motion: Roberta King **Second: Patrick Lombardi**
Vote: 5-Yes **0-No** **0-Abstain** **0-Disqualify**

Benchmark Computers would like to be the Town of Seymour’s recycling center for computers and computer equipment, which will save the Town money on disposal of the equipment.

Motion to have Benchmark Computers recycle old computer equipment for the Town of Seymour.

Motion: Roberta King **Second: Patrick Lombardi**
Vote: 5-Yes **0-No** **0-Abstain** **0-Disqualify**

ITEM # 12 – Other Business.

The Town of Seymour has received \$30,000.00 for a new dog kennel from the Katharine Matthies Foundation. The quote for the entire dog kennel is \$60,488.00.

Motion to waive the bidding for the steel building for the dog kennel.

Motion: Paul Rosebrock **Second: Roberta King**
Vote: 5-Yes **0-No** **0-Abstain** **0-Disqualify**

Motion to authorize the purchase of the building for the dog kennel.

Motion: Patrick Lombardi **Second: Paul Rosebrock**
Vote: 5-Yes **0-No** **0-Abstain** **0-Disqualify**

Motion to go out to bid for the concrete and work for the footings for the dog kennel.

Motion: Patrick Lombardi **Second: Paul Rosebrock**
Vote: 5-Yes **0-No** **0-Abstain** **0-Disqualify**

ITEM # 14 – PUBLIC COMMENT.

No Action Taken.

ITEM # 13 – Executive Session (Personnel, Contract Negotiations, Pending Litigation)

None at this time.

ITEM # 15 – Adjournment.

Motion to adjourn at 9:45 PM.

Motion: Patrick Lombardi **Second: Roberta King**
Vote: 5-Yes **0-No** **0-Abstain** **0-Disqualify**

Respectfully submitted by,

Attested to:

**Deirdre Caruso,
Recording Secretary**

**Robert J. Koskelowski,
First Selectman**

