

**MINUTES**  
**Board of Selectmen Meeting**  
**Tuesday, August 2, 2005 @ 7:30 PM**  
**Norma Drummer Room/Seymour Town Hall**

- **Members Present: First Selectman Robert J. Koskelowski, Patrick Lombardi, Paul Rosebrock, Roberta King, John Putorti, Jeanne Loda, and Town Counsel George Temple.**

**Not present: Frank Conroy.**

**Others present: Maggie Goodrow, Sam Mirlis, Frank Loda, Paul Sponheimer, Bob Maziuk, Peg Maziuk, Norma Moorehouse, Art Berardi, Harold Hames, Shannon McDaniel, John Leon, Michelle Pavlik, Barbara Wilhelmy, Pauline Walsh, Alfred Yagovane, Dave Vergati, Staci Vergati, Judy LaClaire, Lynn Marchetti, Joseph Marcinik, James Garofolo, John Scheb, and Patricia Sabetini.**

- **The First Selectman opened the meeting at 7:30 PM.**
- **Everyone Saluted the Flag and stated the Pledge of Allegiance, which was lead by a boy named Kyle.**

**Motion to approve minutes from regular Board of Selectmen meeting on 7/5/05.**

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

**Motion to approve minutes from Special Board of Selectmen meeting on 7/11/05.**

**Motion: Jeanne Loda                      Second: Paul Rosebrock Discussion: Item**  
**numbers 4 and 5 were put on the minutes twice.**

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

**First Selectman's Report:**

- **The First Selectman met with State officials last week regarding the Fish Bypass Project. They explained the holdup on the project was due to the cost estimate is 3.5 million dollars and there is only 2.6 million dollars available. There is also a new person heading up the project. The State officials are confident that construction should begin at this time next year.**
- **The company Basement Systems located at Silvermine Industrial Park is putting an addition on that will be over 11,000 square feet.**
- **The First Selectman met with a developer who is interested in building a 40,000 square foot medical building in Seymour.**
- **The Seymour Housing Authority will be having the ground-breaking ceremony for Smithfield Gardens Assisted Living Building on Thursday, August 11, 2005 at 11:00 AM at 28 Smith Street.**

- **The First Selectman, Finance Director, and Assistant Finance Director will be going to Hartford tomorrow, August 3, 2005 to sell the bonds.**

**ITEM # 2 – Go out to bid for Auditor for the Water Line Project.**

**Motion to go out to bid for an Auditor for the Water Line Project before the bills go out and have the bids come in on September 6, 2005.**

**Motion: Patrick Lombardi**

**Second: John Putorti**

**Vote: 6-Yes**

**0-No**

**0-Abstain**

**0-Disqualify**

**ITEM # 1 – Open bids for Sewer Project Audit.**

- 1) **Equale & Cirone, LLP from Danbury, CT bid a minimum of\$3,500.00 and not to exceed \$4,950.00.**
- 2) **Francis H. Michaud, Jr. from Ansonia, CT bid not to exceed \$7,500.00.**
- 3) **Sawicki & Lombardozzi, LLC from Milford, CT bid are \$4,975.00 for all costs and expenses.**

**Bids were turned over to the Finance Director and the Assistant Finance Director for review and recommendation by the end of this meeting.**

**ITEM # 3 – Open bids for Legion Pool Pedestrian Bridge.**

- 1) **Steadfast Bridge Co. from Fort Payne, AL, bid is \$25,291.00.**
- 2) **Continental Bridge from Alexandria, MN, bid is \$48,485.00.**

**Motion to turn bids over to the Town Engineer for review and recommendation for the next Board of Selectmen meeting on Tuesday, August 16, 2005.**

**Motion: Roberta King**

**Second: John Putorti**

**Vote: 6-Yes**

**0-No**

**0-Abstain**

**0-Disqualify**

**ITEM # 4 – Easement request from Kerite.**

**The Kerite Company is requesting an easement from the Town due to the construction for the Day Street Bridge Project. Kerite Co.'s utilities run under and on the side of the bridge and they must be moved before construction can begin. Easement will be under the road on Day Street before small Walk Bridge. This must go to a Special Town Meeting.**

**ITEM # 5 – Set Special Town Meeting on 8/16/05 regarding Easement request from Kerite.**



**Motion to recess the regular Board of Selectmen meeting and turn the floor over to the Town Clerk and the Moderator for the Special Town Meeting regarding the transfer of \$81,775.00 to the Board of Education.**

**Motion: John Putorti**

**Second: Roberta King**

**Vote: 6-Yes**

**0-No**

**0-Abstain**

**0-Disqualify**

- **The First Selectman calls a 5-minute recess at 8:28 PM.**

**Come out of recess from the Special Town Meeting and resume the Board of Selectmen Meeting at 8:36 PM.**

**ITEM # 6 – Act in Lieu of Special Town Meeting.**

**No Action Taken.**

**ITEM # 10 – Requests from Seymour Ambulance Association.**

**10-a: Request from Scott Andrews, Chief of Seymour Ambulance Association to fuel their vehicles at the Town’s fuel pump at the Public Works Department to save money on fuel costs.**

**Motion to table this request until the new contract between the Town of Seymour and the Seymour Ambulance Association is signed and the Seymour Ambulance Association vehicles have the Town’s name put back on the registrations.**

**Motion: Patrick Lombardi**

**Second: Roberta King**

**Vote: 6-Yes**

**0-No**

**0-Abstain**

**0-Disqualify**

**10-b: Request from Scott Andrews, Chief of Seymour Ambulance Association to have their offices moved into either Assembly Hall or the Community Center temporarily while the construction for the renovation project is being done. The First Selectman and Chief Andrews already discussed this request before Chief Andrews went on vacation and they decided that the temporary offices would be moved into Assembly Hall due to it being in the building. Temporary wiring, telephone cables, heat, and air conditioning will be installed. They should be in Assembly Hall from late August 2005 until late December 2005. The renovation of Assembly Hall will be done when the rest of the building is completed.**

**ITEM # 11 – Approval of invoices for renovation project to Former Police Station.**

**The Former Police Station Building Committee approved payment of two invoices from Smith Osborne Architects for the renovation project. The first invoice dated July 5, 2005 is for a total of \$3,943.35, which consists of pre-design/program for \$1,314.45 and schematic design for \$2,628.90. The second invoice dated August 1, 2005 is for 75% of design development and construction documents for \$11,238.55. The total for invoice’s 1 & 2 is \$15,181.90.**

**Motion to approve payment of invoice # 1 from Smith Osborne Architects for pre-design/program and schematic design dated July 5, 2005 for \$3,943.35.**

**Motion: Patrick Lombardi**

**Second: John Putorti**

**Vote: 6-Yes**

**0-No**

**0-Abstain**

**0-Disqualify**

**Motion to approve payment of invoice # 2 from Smith Osborne Architects for 75% of design development and construction documents dated August 1, 2005 for \$11,238.55.**

**Motion: John Putorti**

**Second: Jeanne Loda**

**Vote: 6-Yes**

**0-No**

**0-Abstain**

**0-Disqualify**

**NOTE: A company gave an estimate on the roof construction and the estimated cost for the roof to be repaired is between \$45,000.00 and \$50,000.00.**

**ITEM # 12 – Retain Municipal Energy Consulting Group, LLC regarding streetlight rebates.**

**The Municipal Energy Consulting Group, LLC will represent the Town of Seymour to try to retain additional refunds for streetlights from CL&P and if they succeed they will get 15% of what is collected and if nothing is collected they will not charge the Town, not including any rebates the Town has already received from CL&P.**

**Motion to retain Municipal Energy Consulting Group, LLC under the provisions of their agreement with the Town of Seymour to try and get an additional rebate from CL&P for streetlight overcharges.**

**Motion: Paul Rosebrock**

**Second: John Putorti**

**Vote: 6-Yes**

**0-No**

**0-Abstain**

**0-Disqualify**

**ITEM # 13 – Economic Development.**

**Motion to table until the August 16, 2005 Board of Selectmen meeting.**

**Motion: John Putorti**

**Second: Roberta King**

**Vote: 6-Yes**

**0-No**

**0-Abstain**

**0-Disqualify**

**ITEM # 14 – Appointments.**

**Motion to appoint Scott Andrews to the Former Police Station Building Committee for a term to expire at the completion of the project.**

**Motion: Jeanne Loda**

**Second: Patrick Lombardi**

**Vote: 6-Yes**

**0-No**

**0-Abstain**

**0-Disqualify**

**Motion to appoint Ron Skurat to the Route 67/42 Planning Project Committee for a term to expire at the completion of the project.**

**Motion: Patrick Lombardi                      Second: Jeanne Loda**

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

**Motion to appoint Howard Simpson to the Route 67/42 Planning Project Committee for a term to expire at the completion of the project.**

**Motion: John Putorti                              Second: Jeanne Loda**

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

**Motion to appoint Andy Feilder to the Lake Housatonic Authority for a 3-year term expiring 8/02/08.**

**Motion: Roberta King                              Second: Patrick Lombardi**

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

**Motion to appoint Frank Misiewicz to the Commission on Aging for a 2-year term expiring on 8/02/07.**

**Motion: Patrick Lombardi                              Second: John Putorti**

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

**ITEM # 15 – Transfers.**

**No Action Taken.**

**ITEM # 16 – Tax Refunds/Abatements.**

**Motion to approve tax refunds for \$3,070.87.**

**Motion: Patrick Lombardi                              Second: John Putorti**

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

**ITEM # 17 – Correspondence.**

**17-a: Copies of letters sent to Senator Gunther, Senator DeLuca, and Representative Greene thanking them for attending the Special Board of Selectmen meeting on July 11, 2005 concerning the Seymour Sewer Assessment Project and other projects in Seymour.**

**17-b: Copy of a letter from Representative Greene regarding an e-mail he received from Mr. Daniel Beaudette of the USDA on possible assistance for sewer hook-up properties in the Town of Seymour.**

**17-c: Check registers from 7/15/05 and 7/28/05.**

**17-d: Copy of a letter received from Senator DeLuca, Senator Gunther, and Representative Greene that was sent to Secretary Robert Genuario at the General**

**Assembly, Office of Policy and Management asking for \$1,000,000.00 in assistance for the Town of Seymour Sewer Assessment Project.**

**17-e: Letter regarding the appointment of two individuals for the Route 67/42 Planning Project Committee for the upcoming project that will implement the \$750,000.00 grant.**

**ITEM # 18 – Other Business.**

**The Board of Selectmen received a packet from State Representative Greene concerning 2005 Acts Affecting Municipalities.**

**ITEM # 19 – Award bid for Sewer Project Audit.**

**Doug Thomas, Finance Director and Tony Caserta, Assistant Finance Director reviewed the three bids opened earlier this evening for the Sewer Assessment Project Audit and they state that all bidders are qualified. They feel that Sawicki & Lombardozzi, LLC, from Milford, who are the Town of Seymour’s auditors, are their first choice since they are familiar with the Town’s finances. Their bid was \$4,975.00. Equale & Cirone, LLP, from Danbury were the lowest bidders at a minimum of \$3,500.00 not to exceed \$4,950.00. Francis H. Michaud, Jr. from Ansonia was the highest bidder, not to exceed \$7,500.00.**

**Motion to hire Equale & Cirone, LLP from Danbury, who were the lowest bidders at a minimum of \$3,500.00 not to exceed \$4,950.00, for the Audit of the Seymour Sewer Assessment Project.**

**Motion: Patrick Lombardi**

**Second: Jeanne Loda**

**Vote: 6-Yes**

**0-No**

**0-Abstain**

**0-Disqualify**

**The First Selectman directs the Finance Director and the Assistant Finance Director to contact the Auditors so they can start the audit as soon as possible.**

**ITEM # 21 – PUBLIC COMMENT.**

**The First Selectman will contact the Board of Education and the High School Security Director regarding the use of the track at the High School by Town Residents.**

**No Action Taken.**

**ITEM # 20 – Executive Session (Contract Negotiations, Personnel, Pending Litigation)**

**Motion to go into Executive Session for Contract Negotiations with Town Counsel and the Board of Selectmen at 9:52 PM.**

**Motion: Jeanne Loda**

**Second: Roberta King**



**ITEM # 22 – Adjournment.**

**Motion to Adjourn at 10:20 PM.**

**Motion: John Putorti**

**Second: Patrick Lombardi**

**Vote: 6-Yes**

**0-No**

**0-Abstain**

**0-Disqualify**

**Respectively submitted by,**

**Attested to:**

**Deirdre Caruso,  
Recording Secretary**

**Robert J. Koskelowski,  
First Selectman**