

MINUTES
Board of Selectmen
Tuesday, October 6, 2015 – 7:00PM
Norma Drummer Room – Seymour Town Hall

Members Present: W. Kurt Miller, Annmarie Drugonis, Paul Roy, Karen Stanek, Al Bruno, Len Greene, Jr. and Nicole Klarides-Ditria (7:09 PM).

Others Present: Town Counsel, Richard Buturla; Rick Belden, Steve Kulas, Jamie Brennan, Chris Adamo, Jim Galligan, Ken Perieras, Rory Burke, Al Yagovane and Michael Flynn.

ITEM #1: Call meeting to order.

Meeting was called to order by First Selectman, W. Kurt Miller, at 7:00 P.M.

ITEM #2: Pledge of Allegiance.

Everyone saluted the flag and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

ITEM #3: Public Comment.

None.

ITEM #4: Approve minutes from September 15, 2015 regular meeting.

Motion to approve minutes from September 15, 2015 regular meeting.

Motion: Karen Stanek

Second: Len Greene, Jr.

Vote: 5-Yes 0-No

1-Abstain

W. Kurt Miller – Yes
Len Greene, Jr. – Yes

Annmarie Drugonis – Yes
Al Bruno – Yes

Paul Roy – Abstain
Karen Stanek - Yes

ITEM #5: Approve minutes from October 1, 2015 Ordinance Committee meeting.

Motion to approve minutes from October 1, 2015 Ordinance Committee meeting

Motion: Len Greene, Jr.

Second: Karen Stanek

Vote: 6-Yes 0-No

0-Abstain

W. Kurt Miller – Yes
Len Greene, Jr. – Yes

Annmarie Drugonis – Yes
Al Bruno – Yes

Paul Roy – Yes
Karen Stanek - Yes

ITEM #6: First Selectman's Report.

- The year-end Town budget has a unaudited surplus of \$6,091.
- Revenues are \$54,424,609 vs a budget of \$54,472,351 which is \$47,742 less than budget. Revenue shortfalls were; \$50,000 use of fund balance, \$81,177 fund balance transfer (for snow plowing), \$60,592 state grant shortfall and 32,641 net miscellaneous shortfall. Revenue surpluses were; 176,668 tax collections.
- The expenditures are \$54,418,518 vs a budget of \$54,472,351 which is \$53,833 less than budget.
- Expenditure surpluses were; \$91,329 Police Department, \$79,142 Public Works, \$34,768 Trash Hauling, \$42,738 Elderly Services, \$39,635 Recreation Department, \$90,218 surplus various departments.
- Expenditure deficit for the Board of Education; \$323,997.

ITEM #7: Discussion with the Seymour High School Softball Field Committee.

Chris Adamo, 4 Cross Creek Lane, passed out visual aids to the board members. He thanked Representative Theresa Conroy for being instrumental in this process as well as First Selectman, Kurt

Miller, the Board of Education and the Board of Selectmen. He recognized players past and present for the way they represent the community.

He stated the committee met with Rich Belden and Christine Syriac last April. During that meeting they came up with a budgetary number which was approved at the state level.

He stated they have received a \$265,000 grant through the Town of Seymour to renovate the softball field. He stated the grant will address the following:

- Lighting
- Permanent enclosed fencing
- Addition of visitor bleachers
- Two bull pens
- Resurfacing the batting cage
- Replacement field material
- Re-edging the infield/outfield transition
- Addition of press box with storage
- Updating banners and signage

Chris stated a softball field is not a great place for LED lighting. The softball field is a high volume, low usage facility. They would have a 25 year warranty for the Halogen lighting fixtures. The Halogen lighting would cost approximately \$127,000-\$128,000 and the LED lighting would cost approximately \$158,000. The LED lighting only comes with 10 Year Warranty. He stated the lights themselves would last, but there are a lot of computer components not included in the cost.

Al Bruno inquired how long would the project take.

Chris stated once they get the bid proposal out, most of the work will take approximately a month and most of it can happen concurrently. He stated once they hire the contractors, the work can begin. They are expecting to get it done for April and most of the work can be done until mid-December.

Motion to add to the agenda discussion and possible action regarding road update and WPCA bid package.

Motion: Annmarie Drugonis

Second: Al Bruno

Vote: 7-Yes 0-No

0-Abstain

W. Kurt Miller – Yes

Annmarie Drugonis – Yes

Paul Roy – Yes

Len Greene, Jr. – Yes

Al Bruno – Yes

Karen Stanek – Yes

Nicole Klarides-Ditria – Yes

Discussion and possible action regarding road update and WPCA bid package.

Town Engineer, Jim Galligan, discussed a brief summary of the Road Reconstruction project. There are 130 catch basins that need to be replaced. He discussed the following:

- Contract 1: All Hot-In-Place reclaiming is complete. New catch basin tops will be installed over the next two weeks. O & G Industries will overlay these roads after basin top installation
- Contract 2: Drainage piping and catch basin top replacement in the New Street area is complete. Reclaiming of New Street and Hill Street is in process this week. Paving is scheduled for the end of this week into next week. Drainage piping on Hine Street will start on Thursday and continue into next week. Reclaiming and repaving of Hine Street will start after completion of the New Street area.
- Contract 3 and 5: Reclaiming, paving, curbing and aprons are substantially complete on the roads in these Contracts. Restoration, topsoil, seed, hay and mulch will be completed in the next week to 10 days.
- Colony Street Drainage: Drainage piping installing on this road is in progress. Pipe installation will be complete next week. Paving will be performed by O & G Industries when they are overlaying the Contract 1 roads.

Kurt inquired where Maiden Lane stands.

Jim stated he will bring a full scale plan for Maiden Lane at the next Board of Selectmen meeting.

Kurt inquired about Gary Park's parking lot getting paved.

Jim stated he will give the board a report at the next Board of Selectmen meeting.

Kurt inquired where they are budget wise.

Jim stated that just about every project came under budget. The Hot-In-Place projects came in approximately \$60,000 under the budgeted item.

Len Greene, Jr. inquired about an approximate number of roads that are getting redone at the moment. Jim stated approximately 38-43 roads in the entire town.

Len inquired how many roads are being taken down to the dirt.

Jim stated most of the roads were reclaimed. The roads that are getting the Hot-In-Place process are more of the main roads (Davis Road, Botsford Road, Canfield Road, Bunting Road, and Birchwood Road).

Len inquired why some of the trees look burned.

Jim stated the Hot-In-Place as defined is a very hot process. He stated a lot of the trees that overhang the road are not burnt. The trees become dehydrated and look like they are dead but in the spring they will revegetate.

Len inquired about a projected finish date.

Jim stated approximately a month. The months of October, very early November is fine with regard to weather conditions. The processes are a lot different than chip sealing.

Al stated he is concerned with everything getting finished before the bad weather.

Jim stated the asphalt gets done at 375 degrees and as long as ground isn't frozen then the temperature doesn't affect it.

Nicole inquired if the overnight temperature will affect it.

Jim stated this time of year is better than the summer. He stated you want it to cool as fast as possible, as long as it is not frozen. If there is a bad weather day, they won't pave.

Karen inquired about Contracts 3 and 5 and if it is the wrong time of year to plant grass.

Jim stated it is a good time of year as long as it is done before the end of October. He stated the worst time is summer. The best time is September 1st through October 31st. He stated that the town has a one year guarantee.

WPCA Bid Package:

Jim stated the WPCA reviewed the qualifications and found the two that were submitted were qualified to physically operate and manage the sewer facility. The WPCA defined a specific scope of services and asked them to provide prices for an annual maintenance. Veolia's current fee is \$1,270,000 and is proposing a price of \$1,363,512. Jim stated the increase of cost is because they had to put in a number for the chemical and electricity. He stated there is an escalation clause that is standard for this type of operation. WPCA needs to meet with Veolia to make sure the costs are real and viable for the town.

He stated Veolia 20 years ago, through the escalation, is only charging \$60,000 more for a whole year. He stated that is very encouraging.

ITEM #8: Discussion and take possible action regarding awarding of bid for Seymour Public Library partial roof replacement and Community Center Boiler.

Kurt read the email from Mike Marcinek from the PBC:

Kurt, on behalf of the Permanent Building Committee, during our most recent meeting on August 27th, a discussion was held on the upcoming purchase of the new steam boiler for the Community Center. We have been advised that the price between the two competitive boilers (HB Smith and Burnham) are less than \$200 apart. The discussion involved the future ability of the Town to get this boiler purchased, delivered, and installed in time before winter conditions cause the Town to invest in temporary heat.

On a unanimous vote, the committee recommended that the Town purchase the Burnham boiler due to the following conditions:

- A Burnham sales rep lives in Oxford and has work with Town officials on other installations before and has assisted installations.
- Having the local rep will allow the Town of Seymour to have a direct contact if there is any difficulty with the delivery of the unit in time for winter start up.
- Local Town staffs have been successful with Burnham installations before including the Town of Seymour.
- Failure to deliver the unit on time will cost the Town significantly more money than any cost savings on the bid.
- Finally, because this is a steam and hot water boiler, change over from steam after the initial installation will be difficult and having the local rep will be critical to the changeover success.

If you or the Board has any questions, feel free to contact any board members for their attendance at the Board meeting to participate in the discussion.

Michael Marcinek

Chairman

Seymour Permanent Building Committee

Kurt stated they are recommending going with Burnham.

Kurt read a letter from Don Smith regarding the bid opening results:

Dear Selectmen,

On October 6, 2015 the town received two (2) bids as a result of a rebid for the above referenced project: See the attached Bid Tabulation sheet for a summary of the bids.

After review of the submission of the low bidder West State Mechanical we find the bid to be complete at a reasonable price.

Accordingly, it is our opinion that the town's best interest would be served by awarding the above referenced project to West State Mechanical in the amount of \$155,700.00.

We trust this information allows the Board to make an informed decision on this matter.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Donald W. Smith, Jr., P.E.

Consulting Engineer

Motion to accept the recommendation from the Permanent Building Committee and award the purchase of the steam boiler for the Community Center to Burnham.

Motion: Nicole Klarides-Ditria

Second: Al Bruno

Vote: 7-Yes

0-No

0-Abstain

W. Kurt Miller – Yes

Annmarie Drugonis – Yes

Paul Roy – Yes

Len Greene, Jr. – Yes

Al Bruno – Yes

Karen Stanek – Yes

Nicole Klarides-Ditria – Yes

Paul Roy stated he fully supports this and knows Burnham will serve the town well.

Motion to award the mechanical work for the Community Center boiler replacement to West State Mechanical in the amount of \$155,700 as recommended by Project Engineer Don Smith.

Motion: Nicole Klarides-Ditria

Second: Al Bruno

Vote: 7-Yes

0-No

0-Abstain

W. Kurt Miller – Yes

Annmarie Drugonis – Yes

Paul Roy – Yes

Len Greene, Jr. – Yes

Al Bruno – Yes

Karen Stanek – Yes

Nicole Klarides-Ditria – Yes

Kurt read a letter from Don Smith with regard to Seymour Library roof repairs as follows:

Dear Selectmen,

On September 24, 2015, the Town received five (5) bids for the above reference project: See the attached Bid Tabulation sheet for a summary of the bids.

After review of the submission of the low bidder, Silktown Roofing and the second low bidder FJ Dahill Co. Inc. we find both bids to be complete and at a reasonable price.

Accordingly, it is our opinion that the Town's best interests would be served by awarding the Base Bid and Add Alternate #1 to the FJ Dahill Co in the amount of \$93,534 (ninety three thousand five hundred thirty four dollars).

We trust this information allows the Board to make an informed decision on this matter.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Very truly yours,

Donald W. Smith, Jr., P.E.

Consulting Engineer

Motion to accept recommendation from Project Engineer Don Smith for the Library roof repairs and award to FJ Dahill Company, Inc. for the Base Bid and Add Alternate #1 in the amount of \$93,534.

Motion: Nicole Klarides-Ditria

Second: Al Bruno

Vote: 7-Yes 0-No

0-Abstain

W. Kurt Miller – Yes

Annmarie Drugonis – Yes

Paul Roy – Yes

Len Greene, Jr. – Yes

Al Bruno – Yes

Karen Stanek – Yes

Nicole Klarides-Ditria – Yes

ITEM #9: Discussion and take possible action regarding Tom Jensen tax abatement.

Kurt read letter from John Cronin, Fire Chief as follows:

Dear Tax Collector's Office,

It has come to our attention that Thomas Jensen tax abatement amount was incorrect on our 2014 tax abatement list. After going through records it was deemed that he should be receiving \$1,000 instead of \$500. If you could please adjust records accordingly it would be greatly appreciated.

If there are any questions or concerns please feel free to contact the Fire Department clerk.

Thank you,

John Cronin

Fire Department Chief

Motion to approve the request from Fire Chief John Cronin to change 2014 tax abatement list amount for Thomas Jensen from \$500 to \$1,000.

Motion: Annmarie Drugonis

Second: Paul Roy

Vote: 7-Yes 0-No

0-Abstain

W. Kurt Miller – Yes

Annmarie Drugonis – Yes

Paul Roy – Yes

Len Greene, Jr. – Yes

Al Bruno – Yes

Karen Stanek – Yes

Nicole Klarides-Ditria – Yes

ITEM #10: Discussion and take possible action regarding reimbursement for Mike Marganski claim.

Kurt read an email from Mike Marganski to Director of Operations, Tony Caserta:

Tony,

Please review attached for right front suspension damage to my vehicle. This occurred the morning 3/20 going to pick up Bill Paecht for land use class in Middletown. I was traveling up a large hill on Bellevue and unknown to me was a large pot hole covered by snow.

Mike Marganski

Paul inquired why this took so long to come to us.

Rory Burke stated it got buried on Tony's Desk.

Al Bruno stated he is not concerned about the delay. He stated Mike was doing town business and has no issue with reimbursing.

Paul inquired if this was submitted to insurance and was rejected.

Kurt stated it was rejected from insurance and is a standard insurance company stance.

Town Counsel, Richard Buturla stated the standard insurance company position on road damage is lack of notice therefore it wouldn't be the town's negligence.

Motion to reimburse Mike Marganski for damages to his vehicle in the amount of \$855.16

Motion: Annmarie Drugonis

Second: Nicole Klarides-Ditria

Vote: 7-Yes 0-No

0-Abstain

W. Kurt Miller – Yes

Annmarie Drugonis – Yes

Paul Roy – Yes

Len Greene, Jr. – Yes

Al Bruno – Yes

Karen Stanek – Yes

Nicole Klarides-Ditria – Yes

ITEM #11: Discussion and take possible action regarding resolution for borrowing/expenditure authorization for upcoming Town projects.

Motion to table this item because Doug Guillette has not finalized the necessary authorizations.

Motion: Karen Stanek

Second: Al Bruno

Vote: 7-Yes

0-No

0-Abstain

W. Kurt Miller – Yes

Annmarie Drugonis – Yes

Paul Roy – Yes

Len Greene, Jr. – Yes

Al Bruno – Yes

Karen Stanek – Yes

Nicole Klarides-Ditria – Yes

ITEM #12: Discussion and take possible action regarding National Diaper Week Proclamation.

Kurt read the proclamation as follows:

WHEREAS, Diaper Need, the condition of not having a sufficient supply of clean diapers to ensure that infants and toddlers are clean, healthy and dry, can adversely affect the health and welfare of infants, toddlers and their families; and

WHEREAS, national surveys report that one in three mothers experiencing diaper need at some time while their children are less than three years of age and forty-eight percent of families delay changing a diaper to extend their supply; and

WHEREAS, the average infant or toddler requires an average of 50 diaper changes per week over three years; and

WHEREAS, diapers cannot be bought with food stamps or WIC vouchers, therefore obtaining a sufficient supply of diapers can cause economic hardship to families; and

WHEREAS, a supply of diapers is generally an eligibility requirement for infant and toddlers to participate in childcare programs and quality early education programs; and

WHEREAS, the people of Seymour recognize that addressing Diaper Need can lead to economic opportunity for the state's low-income families and can lead to improved health for families and their communities; and

WHEREAS, Seymour is proud to be home to various community organizations that recognize the importance of diapers in helping provide economic stability for families and distribute diapers to poor families through various channels; now

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that I, W. Kurt Miller, First Selectman of the Town of Seymour, do hereby proclaim the week of September 28th through October 4th, 2015 as DIAPER NEED AWARENESS WEEK in the Town of Seymour and encourage the citizens of Seymour to donate generously to diaper banks, diaper drives, and those organizations that distribute diapers to families in need to help alleviate diaper need in Seymour and environs.

Motion to approve the proclamation as presented.

Motion: Len Greene, Jr.

Second: Nicole Klarides-Ditria

Vote: 7-Yes

0-No

0-Abstain

W. Kurt Miller – Yes

Annmarie Drugonis – Yes

Paul Roy – Yes

Len Greene, Jr. – Yes

Al Bruno – Yes

Karen Stanek – Yes

Nicole Klarides-Ditria – Yes

ITEM #13: Discussion and take possible action regarding usage of LoCIP funds in the amount of \$38,400 for the 2015 Pothole Killer Project.

Kurt read a memo from Director of Operations, Tony Caserta, as follows:

Dear Board of Selectmen members,

As part of our 2015 road reclamation and restoration project, the town has pooled our resources to improve and maintain the priority roads as defined by the Town Engineer and the Public Works Department. We have used all available funds and allocated the portion of the maintenance specifically designated as the most suitable use of the Pothole Killer option to be funded through a LoCIP allocation. Therefore, we are asking for a formal approval to use \$38,400.00 in LoCIP funds for this purpose.

Sincerely,

Anthony Caserta

Director of Operations

Motion to approve the spending of \$38,400 in LoCIP funds for the Pothole Killer Project.

Motion: Nicole Klarides-Ditria

Second: Al Bruno

Vote: 7-Yes

0-No

0-Abstain

W. Kurt Miller – Yes

Annmarie Drugonis – Yes

Paul Roy – Yes

Len Greene, Jr. – Yes

Al Bruno – Yes

Karen Stanek – Yes

Nicole Klarides-Ditria – Yes

Len inquired about the number of streets that were done.

Kurt stated the town had three weeks' worth and more streets were done this year as opposed to last year.

Paul inquired how much was spent last year.

Kurt stated a little over \$30,000 was spent last year. He stated the Pothole Killer used more material this year. He stated they expect to use it every year going forward.

ITEM #14: Discussion and take possible action regarding Knights of Columbus, 165 Main Street, LLC license agreement.

Town Counsel, Richard Buturla stated the First Selectman had reported on the parking lot reconstruction at the Strand Theatre a few meetings ago. He stated Kurt Miller, Attorney Steve Kulas, John Fanotto and himself met in an effort to resolve the dispute but quickly came to the realization there is no dispute.

There was a misunderstanding between the Town and 165 Main Street, LLC.

Town Counsel stated back in 1983, the town had an arrangement for a lease to deal with the various rights of the two parties of the parking lot. Rather than creating a new lease, a parking license agreement was created. He stated the Knights of Columbus, 165 Main Street, LLC have been very cooperative and things are moving forward. He stated the entrance is being placed where the town and the state need them to be. Town Counsel stated the agreement tracks some language from the original agreement lease including the town reserving a few spaces and making a nominal payment of \$350 which will cover their taxes.

Steve Kulas, 12 Bank Street, stated that he hasn't received approval of the board. He stated the supreme council of Knights of Columbus does not want its local council to own property. The members of the Board of Directors are all Knights of Columbus of Seymour. He stated they are separate entities. He doesn't foresee a problem.

Kurt stated the entrance and exit will be located in the original spots and total parking spots gained will be approximately 14.

Len inquired if it is normal in these type of agreements to indicate that the licensor and licensee can terminate the license at any point.

Town Counsel stated that language was in the original lease agreement. He stated that if 165 Main Street, LLC decided to terminate, they would lose access to the parking lot.

Motion to authorize the First Selectman to enter into the license agreement on behalf of the Town of Seymour, in the anticipation that the board will approve it and will execute as well.

Motion: Len Greene, Jr.

Second: Paul Roy

Vote: 7-Yes

0-No

0-Abstain

W. Kurt Miller – Yes

Annmarie Drugonis – Yes

Paul Roy – Yes

Len Greene, Jr. – Yes

Al Bruno – Yes

Karen Stanek – Yes

Nicole Klarides-Ditria – Yes

ITEM #15: Discussion and take possible action regarding worker's compensation inter-service fund.

Town Counsel, Richard Buturla stated the town auditors made a recommendation that the town establish an inter-service fund of paying and providing workers compensation benefits over a period of

time. He stated contributions from both town and Board of Education could be made into an ordinance. He stated the 90 day period in Section C is probably the right number. He stated this is only a draft. Kurt stated the only issue he has is that he thinks the 90 days should be 120 days. He stated budgets are presented in February. He stated he is concerned the 90 days would interfere with that. He stated he would rather see it earlier rather than later.

Rick Belden stated he had raised the same issue and advocated for a longer period because of the budget process.

Kurt inquired about addressing definitively what exactly needs to be put in by both sides.

Town Counsel stated this doesn't mandate a certain amount. He stated the individuals who will be making decisions will look at claims history and projections. They will then determine what a sufficient amount on a yearly basis is.

Kurt expressed his concerns for what may or may not happen down the road. He stated he doesn't want any issues or contention down the road. He requested to add wording for the future.

Town Counsel stated he will prepare it for the next meeting.

The Board is all comfortable moving forward but would like specific language put in.

ITEM #16: Discussion and take possible action regarding LED Street light conversion.

Rory Burke stated they have received the audit contract form Tanko to see what it looks like. He stated he has reached out to the 2 other CCM preferred vendors. Rory stated he is still trying to get prices.

ITEM #17: Discussion and take possible action regarding manufacturer's exemption ordinance.

The Board will take action at the next Board of Selectmen meeting on October 20, 2015.

ITEM #18: Executive session (Contracts-supervisor's union contract)

Motion to add to enter into executive session (Contracts – Supervisor's union contract) at 8:11 PM with Town Counsel Richard Buturla and Town Counsel Warren Holcomb

Motion: Annmarie Drugonis

Second: Len Greene, Jr.

Vote: 7-Yes 0-No

0-Abstain

W. Kurt Miller – Yes

Annmarie Drugonis – Yes

Paul Roy – Yes

Len Greene, Jr. – Yes

Al Bruno – Yes

Karen Stanek – Yes

Nicole Klarides-Ditria – Yes

Motion to exit executive session at 8:24 PM with no motions or actions taken.

Motion: Karen Stanek

Second: Al Bruno

Vote: 7-Yes 0-No

0-Abstain

W. Kurt Miller – Yes

Annmarie Drugonis – Yes

Paul Roy – Yes

Len Greene, Jr. – Yes

Al Bruno – Yes

Karen Stanek – Yes

Nicole Klarides-Ditria – Yes

ITEM #19: Discussion and take possible action regarding supervisor's union contract.

Motion for the Town of Seymour to enter into agreement on a new 3 year contract with the UPSEU Local 424 Unit 85 Seymour Supervisors Union as presented by Town Counsel Holcomb.

Motion: Nicole Klarides-Ditria

Second: Al Bruno

Vote: 7-Yes 0-No

0-Abstain

W. Kurt Miller – Yes

Annmarie Drugonis – Yes

Paul Roy – Yes

Len Greene, Jr. – Yes

Al Bruno – Yes

Karen Stanek – Yes

Nicole Klarides-Ditria – Yes

ITEM #20: Discussion and take possible action regarding Operations Department structure.

Kurt stated he will provide information at the next Board of Selectmen meeting. He stated he has received the job description for the Director of Public Works. He stated the goal is to bring the description for final approval at the October 20th meeting and go out to the public on October 22nd for 3 weeks. He stated the new Public Works Director will start at the beginning of the year. Kurt stated other Public Works Directors from other communities will help with the interviewing process. He stated a few more things need to be settled with regard to custodians.

ITEM #21: Appointments.

None.

ITEM #22: Tax Refunds/Abatements.

Motion to approve October 1, 2015 Tax Refunds/Abatements as read.

Motion: Annmarie Drugonis

Second: Al Bruno

Vote: 7-Yes 0-No

0-Abstain

W. Kurt Miller – Yes

Annmarie Drugonis – Yes

Paul Roy – Yes

Len Greene, Jr. – Yes

Al Bruno – Yes

Karen Stanek – Yes

Nicole Klarides-Ditria – Yes

ITEM #23: Transfers.

None.

ITEM #24: Correspondence.

- Check Registers.

ITEM #25: Public Comment.

Al Yagovane, 25 Elaine Drive, stated that the VFW is in dire need of a home. He stated unfortunately when we send people off into harm's way, they come home with issues. He stated the VFW tries to fill a gap for these veterans. He stated they have the VA Hospital in West Haven; however, the veterans come across with daily issues and do not wish to go to the VA. He stated it is very hard to meet with people at a restaurant or at the Community Center. He stated he is asking for a permanent home where they can schedule people who need to talk. He stated at one time the VFW was located on Day Street but eventually it was turned over to the Seymour Land Trust. We were given a home on Great Hill Road and didn't have to pay rent for the past 5 years.

Michael Flynn, 85 Skokorat Street, stated the Inland Wetlands Commission is having issues with residents filling out the forms incorrectly. He stated people should come before the Inlands Wetlands Commission with a completed document.

He spoke with regard to updating land records and maps. The Department of Environmental Protection should update the river and stream maps, etc. through satellite imagery and get them on a computer, saving a lot of headaches. He stated this could be an issue for Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments.

Jamie Brennan, 124 Bungay Road, stated because there is no Inland Wetlands Officer, people don't know how to properly complete the applications.

ITEM #26: Selectmen's Public Comments.

Karen Stanek stated she recently became aware of the fact that we are going through a reevaluation of property. A resident called her in horror and thought someone was trying to break in her house. She stated she hasn't received notification that this is happening.

Kurt stated that notifications have gone out. He asked if the resident could give him a call.

Karen agreed with Mr. Flynn with regard to updated maps of the rivers, etc. She inquired about the status of getting a crosswalk painted to the Broad Street Park.

Kurt replied that is a state road. He stated the cross walk has to lead to someplace and have appropriate handicap accessible sidewalks. He stated the town can make requests but the state takes a long time. He stated they are doing the best they can.

Nicole Klarides-Ditria stated she walked this Saturday in the Seymour Pink 5K road race. She stated it was an honor to be a part of this wonderful race. She stated it was heartwarming to see people from far and wide support this race. She stated Kurt walked the entire race in heels and thought he did a good job. Also, the turf field is completed, the bleachers are getting completed and the track will be finished this week. Friday, October 16th is a ribbon cutting ceremony at 7:00 P.M. right before the start of the football game. That night is also Homecoming.

Al Bruno discussed how great it was to see people came out to support the 5K event. He stated it takes on special meaning for individuals. He said it is great to see everybody come together and support the event.

Annamarie Drugonis thanked the Seymour High School Athletic Field Committee for their hard work and dedication. She commended Kurt on a job well done walking in heels for the Seymour Pink 5K.

Len Greene, Jr. stated he walked with Kurt the whole way at the Seymour Pink 5K. He stated it was a well-earned \$3,300 that he raised. He stated he attended Smoke in the Valley afterwards and commended the Seymour Police Department and the first responders for doing a good job keeping things in line. He stated it was a great weekend for our community.

ITEM #27: Adjournment.

Motion to adjourn at 8:51 P.M.

Motion: Annmarie Drugonis

Vote: 7-Yes 0-No

W. Kurt Miller – Yes

Len Greene, Jr. – Yes

Nicole Klarides-Ditria – Yes

Second: Karen Stanek

0-Abstain

Annamarie Drugonis – Yes

Al Bruno – Yes

Paul Roy – Yes

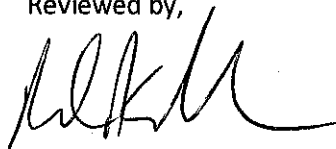
Karen Stanek – Yes

Submitted by,



Lianna Staffieri
Recording Secretary

Reviewed by,



W. Kurt Miller
First Selectman