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Special 10-Year Strategic Planning Committee Meeting
Wednesday, September 26, 2018 @ 7:00pm
Norma Drummer Room/Seymour Town Hall

Members Present: Don Smith, Kathie Vrlik, Trisha Danka, Stephan Behuniak and Rory Burke

Members Absent: None

Others Present: First Selectman Kurt Miller

Item #1: Call meeting to order

The meeting was called to order at 7:11 PM.

Item #2: Pledge of Allegiance

All present stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Item #3: Public comment

There was no public comment.

Item #4: First Selectman's Presentation

The First Selectman reviewed the plan, goal-by-goal, providing progress updates and making requests for changes as needed. He discussed that many goals were delayed by the State budget cuts, both because of the time and attention required to closing the budget gap as well as the reduced resources and staffing. The Town has eliminated or delayed filling several full-time positions but maintained its investments in long-term goals and projects. The Charter Revision Commission did not exactly follow the recommendations of the Board of Selectmen so some of the goals will need to change as a result. We have new shared positions coming in – Economic Development and Town Planner. These, in conjunction with the new Development & Enforcement Director position should help streamline land use and spur economic development. HR will be returning in the coming months as well. Turnover in staff is hindering other goals, along with some union issues. Big 18-year Energy Performance Savings Contract in conjunction with Town Building Project will provide vital capital improvements to municipal facilities.

Item #5: Open discussion

There was no further discussion.

Item #6: Public comment

There was no public comment.

Item #7: Adjournment

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 8:52 PM.

Motion: Trish Danka

Second: Don Smith

Vote: 5-0

Submitted by,



Rory Burke

Recording Secretary