



BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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Matthew S. Knickerbocker, First Selectman
Richard C. Straiton, Selectman
Paul R. Szatkowski, Selectman

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, April 7, 2015
7:30 p.m.

CJH Municipal Center – Meeting Room “A”

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PRESENT: First Selectman Knickerbocker, Selectman Straiton and Selectman Szatkowski. Also in attendance was Town Counsel Martin Lawlor.

Call to order/Pledge of Allegiance: First Selectman Knickerbocker called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Public Comment: Cynthia McCorkindale, Billy Michael and David Glahn spoke.

Correspondence: Letter (not dated) from Cynthia McCorkindale.

Minutes of January 20, 2015 Regular Meeting, January 23, 2015 Special Meeting, February 10, 2015 Special Meeting, February 12, 2015 Special Meeting, February 17, 2015 Special Meeting, February 18, 2015 Special Meeting, February 19, 2015, February 23, 2015, February 25, 2015 and March 11, 2015 Special Meeting.

Selectman Straiton made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Szatkowski, to approve the minutes as presented. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

First Selectman Report: First Selectman Knickerbocker advised that today's bond refunding resulted in a \$2,040,000 savings, \$1,240,000 million on town debt and \$800,000 from Stony Hill sewer bonding. He noted that the bonding agencies were pleased with Bethel's financial structure and our Triple AAA Rating. He said \$200,000 of the savings were attributed to the triple A rating alone.

Old Business

New Business

1.) Consideration of report from Public Site & Building Committee

First Selectman Knickerbocker made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Straiton, to request the Public Site & Building Committee, prepare three (3) different scenarios/proposals for the Police Station Project and present these to the Board of Selectmen for consideration. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

2.) Consideration of revised resolution – Transit Oriented District (TOD)

First Selectman Knickerbocker made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Straiton, to approve the revised resolution as follows:

To authorize submission of the Transit Oriented Development Planning Grant Proposal, in accordance with the Transit Oriented Development (TOD) Planning Grant Program Request for Application;

To authorize Matthew S. Knickerbocker, First Selectman, or their successor(s), to sign grant application and to sign any other documents associated with administering the grant, if awarded, including any amendments thereto. Such grant application is attached to and made a part of this record.

Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

3.) Consideration of McNeil Road Cul de Sac and referral to P&Z (8-24) and Police Commission for comments.

First Selectman Knickerbocker made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Straiton, to refer the matter of establishing a cul de sac at the end of McNeil Road to the Planning & Zoning Commission for a report under CGS 8-24; to the Police Commission for comments; and to the Stony Hill Fire Department, Director of Emergency Management and the Public Works Department for comment. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

4.) Consideration of Tax Collector's request for Tax Refund Authorization

First Selectman Knickerbocker made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Straiton, to approve the Tax Collector's request, dated March 6, 2015, and authorize Tax Refunds in the amount of \$2,036.36. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

5.) Consideration of appointments – Youth Commission and Ad-Hoc Transfer Station

First Selectman Knickerbocker made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Szatkowski, to appoint Michael Moles (R) to the Alternate Seat on the Youth Commission. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

This fills the vacancy created by Kristin Nauheimer who moved to the full board position,

The appointments to the Ad-Hoc Transfer Station were not made at tonight's meeting.

As there was no further business on tonight's agenda, Selectman Straiton made a motion, which was seconded by First Selectman Knickerbocker, to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,



Wendy Smith, Recording Secretary