

Minutes of the Selectboard Meeting of Wednesday, October 26, 2016 at 6:00 pm

Members present: Linda Cook, Chair; Christopher Ashley; Dan Goulet; Mary Layton, Vice-Chair; Stephen Flanders; Dave Ormiston, Interim Town Manager; Miranda Bergmeier, Assistant to the Town Manager.

There were about 13 people in the audience.

Also participating: Doug Robinson, Steve Leinoff, Jay White, John Farrell, Lee Michaelides, Peter Griggs, Jim Gold, Ann Foley, Demo Sofronas, Mary Sellmann, Cheryl Lindberg

Cook opened the meeting at 6:04 pm.

1. Approval of Agenda (Action Item). The board agreed to add one item to the agenda: Error & Omission for 742 VT Rte. 132.
2. Public Presentation concerning the proposed Public Safety Building (Discussion Item). Leinoff, Robinson, Flanders and White outlined the need for the proposed building, plans to finance its construction, and details about the building and site plans. A second presentation on the building will be given at 7:00 pm on November 3, 2016 in the Tracy Hall Gym.
3. Public Comments (Discussion). Several members of the public voiced concern about paving work on Main Street. Particular concern was expressed that the character of the town not be altered by excessive paving. Ormiston reported that drainage concerns had necessitated the work, and that there are no plans to extend the pavement past what was necessary. Ormiston will meet with DPW staff regarding the work and will report back to the Selectboard.
4. Norwich Conservation Commission – Interview applicant for appointment to the Commission (Discussion/Action Item). Mary Sellmann, applicant for appointment to the Norwich Conservation Commission, appeared and answered questions from the Selectboard. Flanders **moved** (2nd Goulet) to appoint Mary Sellmann to the Conservation Commission. **Motion passed.**
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 - a. Board to sign accounts payable/warrants (Discussion/Action Item). Flanders **moved** (2nd Ashley) to approve Check Warrant Report #17-10 for General Fund in the amount of \$107,278.04, for Police Cruiser Fund in the amount of \$7,429.85, for Fire Equipment Fund in the amount of \$1,014.21, and for DPW Bridge Fund in the amount of \$49,500.00. **Motion passed.**
 - b. Close out Tower Bond unspent principal account \$31,458.18 (Discussion/Action Item). Goulet **moved** (2nd Flanders) to defer the discussion of the Tower Bond unspent principal until the Selectboard meeting on November 22, 2016. **Motion passed.**
 - c. Request to expend \$128.90 from the Corridor Tree designated fund to offset part of the expense for new trees in front of Tracy Hall (Discussion/Action Item). After discussion, Flanders **moved** (2nd Goulet) to approve the expenditure of \$128.90 from the Corridor Tree fund to offset part of the expense for new trees in front of Tracy Hall. **Motion passed.**
6. Interim Town Manager's Report (Discussion Item). David Ormiston, Interim Town Manager, offered a verbal report. The report included information about the Norwich Pool Dam FEMA Alternate Project, the electric vehicle charging station, the Town's FY2018 budget development process, Bridge 48 work, and the Gile Mountain trail. The Selectboard agreed that there are community concerns about use of the trail, traffic, etc., and that Ormiston will bring

together interested parties to work on the issues involved.

7. Errors & Omissions – 1093 Bragg Hill Road and 742 VT Rte. 132 current use calculations (Discussion/Action Item). Lindberg presented the Errors & Omissions report. Flanders **moved** (2nd Ashley) to approve the Errors and Omissions report from the Norwich Board of Listers dated October 20, 2016 revising the taxable values of 1093 Bragg Hill Road and 742 VT Rte. 132. **Motion passed.**

8. Correspondence (Discussion/Action Item). Flanders **moved** (2nd Ashley) to accept a note from Nancy LaRowe thanking the Board for conserving the Sullivan property as correspondence. **Motion passed.**

10. Selectboard

a. Approval of the Minutes of the 9/28/16, 10/12/16, and 10/18/16 Selectboard meetings (Action Item). Flanders **moved** (2nd Ashley) to approve the minutes of the September 28, 2016; October 12, 2016; and October 18, 2016 Selectboard meetings with the amendments put forward. **Motion passed.**

b. Review of Next Agendas (Discussion/Possible Action Item). The board agreed to include four items on the agenda for the next Selectboard meeting on November 9, 2016:

1. Public Safety Building
2. Investment Report
3. Preliminary Budget Discussion
4. Paving on Main Street
5. Approval of 10/26/2016, 10/27/2016, 10/29/2016, and 11/3/2016 minutes

At this point, Ashley **moved** (2nd Goulet) to adjourn. **Motion passed.**
Meeting adjourned at 8:06 pm.

Approved by the Selectboard on November 9, 2016.

By Miranda Bergmeier
Assistant to the Town Manager

Linda Cook
Selectboard Chair

Next Regular Meeting – November 9, 2016 at 6:30 PM

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