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BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S REGULAR MEETING
February 20, 2007

MINUTES

- Present: William F. Brennan, Alice L. Ayers, Richard F. Creeth, Harold E. Clark (Susan Bruschi notified intended absence)
- Others: Sarah Taffel, Director, Human Resources, Labor Relations & Administrative Services; Joe Dolan, Chief Financial Officer; Rich McArdle, Controller
- Guests: Marian Wulffleff, Historic Property and Historic District Commission; Milton Pohl, resident; Audrey Adade, Wilton Villager; Brian Shea, Wilton Bulletin

First Selectman Brennan called the meeting to order at 7:30p.m.

A. Consent Agenda

A MOTION was made by Ms. Ayers, seconded by Mr. Creeth and carried 4-0 to approve the consent agenda:

Minutes

- Board of Selectmen's Special Meeting – January 31, 2007
- Board of Selectmen's Special Meeting – February 1, 2007
- Board of Selectmen's Special Meeting – February 3, 2007
- Board of Selectmen's Regular Meeting – February 5, 2007
- Board of Selectmen's Executive Meeting – February 5, 2007
- Board of Selectmen's Special Meeting – February 7, 2007

Tax Refunds

- Real Estate and motor vehicle tax refunds as outlined in the Tax Collector's memorandum dated February 14, 2007.

B. Discussion and/or Action

1. Consideration of approving an amendment to the lease between the Town of Wilton and Westport Broadcasting, LLC as outlined in the resolution and authorizing the First Selectman to sign said lease.

Mr. Brennan explained that Mr. Dolan negotiated the lease. Mr. Clark asked, and Mr. Dolan confirmed, that it is a five year lease at a 5% increase each year. Mr. Dolan added that the lease includes two renewal terms of five years each.

Ms. Ayers questioned if it would be cheaper to install an electrical meter rather than pay for the electricity reimbursement at \$100.00 per month. Mr. Dolan stated that he will look into it but cautioned that installing a line could be costly.

A MOTION was made by Mr. Clark, seconded by Mr. Creeth and carried 4-0 to approve an amendment to the lease between the Town of Wilton and Westport Broadcasting, LLC as outlined in the resolution and authorizing the First Selectman to sign said lease.

2. Discussion of the proposed historic district #6 as outlined in Carol Russell's letter dated February 13 and report dated October 2006.

Mr. Brennan stated that the Historic Property and Historic District Commission have submitted a proposal for a new historic district in Georgetown.

Ms. Wulfleff reported that the Commission held a public hearing on February 12th and that only one resident attended the hearing. She commented that ballots will be sent out to the property owners and if the proposal is approved by the residents, the Board of Selectmen will then vote on the new historic district.

Mr. Clark asked if the property owners have been involved in the process. Ms. Wulfleff replied that Colleen Fawcett has spoken to all the residents and that no one has voiced opposition to the Commission.

3. Interview schedule for Christine Finkelstein, nominee for the Parks and Recreation Commission.

Mr. Brennan and Ms. Ayers expressed interest in meeting with Ms. Finkelstein. Mr. Clark will interview Ms. Finkelstein over the telephone. Ms. Lund agreed to set up the interviews.

C. Public Comment

Mr. Pohl read a statement pertaining to Wilton Commons.

D. Reports

1. First Selectman's Report

Fields Project

The project is 95% completed. Contractors are working on a punch list to finish the project. A press release will be issued when the area is open for public use.

Concession Stand/Team Room

This project will be presented at the Annual Town Meeting for bonding approval for \$805,000 plus bonding administrative expense. The building is currently being designed. A Council on Public Facilities subcommittee, with Chris Pagliaro as Chairman, is overseeing the project.

The Fields Committee and CPF subcommittee will be invited to give an update on the projects at the next Board of Selectmen's meeting.

SB #423 – Route 7 Super Highway

Mr. Brennan, Ms. Gould, Ms. Sesto and Mr. Nerney will be submitting testimony at the Transportation Committee meeting on February 21 in opposition of SB #423. Officials from Redding and Ridgefield will also be at the meeting to oppose the bill.

2. Selectman's Report

Dog Park

Ms. Ayers reported that the Planning and Zoning Commission has ruled that a dog park would require a special permit. Mr. Brennan clarified that a site for the dog park has not been approved.

A MOTION was made by Mr. Brennan, seconded by Mr. Clark and carried 4-0 to adjourn to executive session at 8:10pm.

Mr. Brennan reconvened to open session at 8:56 pm.

A MOTION was made by Mr. Brennan, seconded by Mr. Creeth and carried 4-0 to approve a successor Collective Bargaining Agreement with AFSCME Local 1303-160. The principal provisions of said Agreement are contained in the Executive Summary of the tentative agreement between the Town and Local 1303-160 dated February 16, 2007. (attached)

E. FY 08 Budget Work Session
The Board of Selectmen reviewed the FY 08 budget.

F. Adjournment

A MOTION was made by Mr. Brennan, seconded by Mr. Clark and carried to adjourn the meeting at 9:40pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Lund
Recording Secretary