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BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S REGULAR MEETING

March 5, 2007

MINUTES

Present: William F. Brennan, Richard F. Creeth, Harold E. Clark, Susan Bruschi (Alice Ayers notified intended absence)

Others: Joe Dolan, Chief Financial Officer;

Guests: Malcolm Whyte, Will Perez, Fields Committee; Chris Pagliaro, CPF stadium sub committee; Kevin Quinlan, Architect; Dick Dubow, Board of Finance; 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 Mr. Clark, seconded by Ms. Bruschi and carried 4-0 to approve the consent agenda:

Minutes

- Board of Selectmen's Special Meeting – February 15, 2007
- Board of Selectmen's Regular Meeting – February 20, 2007
- Board of Selectmen's Executive Meeting – February 20, 2007
- Board of Selectmen's Special Meeting – February 22, 2007
- Board of Selectmen's Special Meeting – February 28, 2007

Tax Refunds

- Real Estate and motor vehicle tax refunds as outlined in the Tax Collector's memorandum dated March 2, 2007.

B. Discussion and/or Action

1. Update from the Fields Committee and the Council on Public Facilities' stadium subcommittee.

Mr. Whyte referred to a map outlining the area that the Fields Committee is charged to work on and explained the phases of the project. He stated that the Memorial Stadium phase is almost complete. Mr. Whyte commented that, due to escalated costs, some pieces of the project were taken out and that additional funds will be requested at the Town Meeting so that those pieces can be completed.

Mr. Whyte stated that the next phase will be renovations on five fields (JV softball, JV baseball, Whitten Field, varsity softball, varsity baseball). He noted that this stage will require careful coordination between the use of the fields and the construction work. Mr. Whyte estimated that the fields phase would be completed by the fall.

Mr. Perez, Project Manager for the Memorial Stadium phase, reported on the remaining work to be done at the stadium. He commented that final approvals for the visitor side bleachers are being obtained, the home side bleachers are almost completed and the wiring of the scoreboard and press box will be done when the weather warms up. Mr. Whyte added that the items remaining on the home side bleachers are items that the Town rejected due to unsatisfactory product.

Mr. Clark asked when the piles of dirt will be removed. Mr. Perez responded that one pile is fill that Deering Construction will take away and one pile is topsoil that Deering Construction will buy from the Town.

Mr. Brennan stated that the stadium will not be reopened until all necessary inspections are completed and the construction material/machinery are removed. He explained that a press release will be issued and a notice will be posted on the website when the stadium is ready to be used again.

Mr. Pagliaro, Chairman of the CPF stadium subcommittee, reported that his subcommittee is responsible for the revised design and construction of the team rooms, concession stands and restrooms. He explained that the team rooms are being redesigned by Vollmer Associates and that Kevin Quinlan has been retained to handle the concession stand and restrooms. Mr. Pagliaro stated that the goal is to have the three components go out to bid in April, award the project to one or two general contractors with a lump sum agreement and have the buildings completed by the end of August.

Mr. Quinlan explained that the original drawings of the concession stands and restrooms did not reflect Wilton's style. He stated that the buildings could serve as a gateway into the stadium. Mr. Quinlan displayed sketches and drawings of the proposed building and reviewed the building specs.

Mr. Quinlan discussed possible site changes such as widening the access road, setting up a turn around for buses and installing sidewalks.

Mr. Brennan stressed that the project must be done on time and within budget.

Mr. Clark asked about the plans for the existing concession stand. Mr. Whyte commented that the building is not in the way and could possibly be used for storage.

Mr. Dubow asked if the concession stand/restroom building included a first aid station. Mr. Whyte explained that the team rooms could be used for a first aid station.

Mr. Brennan stated that four Wilton residents, 3 of which are architects, have worked very hard on this complex project.

Mr. Quinlan distributed a handout of the square footage and building features. (copy attached)

2. Consideration of appointing Christine Finkelstein to the Parks and Recreation Commission for a four year term. Said term to expire December 1, 2010.

A MOTION was made by Ms. Bruschi, seconded by Mr. Brennan and carried 4-0 to appoint Christine Finkelstein to the Parks and Recreation Commission for a four year term. Said term to expire December 1, 2010.

3. Consideration of reappointing Kate Throckmorton to the Conservation Commission for a three year term. Said term to expire December 1, 2009.

A MOTION was made by Mr. Creeth, seconded by Ms. Bruschi and carried 4-0 to reappoint Kate Throckmorton to the Conservation Commission for a three year term. Said term to expire December 1, 2009.

4. Interview schedule for Jim Meinhold, nominee for the Water Pollution Control Authority.

Mr. Brennan and Mr. Creeth expressed interest in meeting with Mr. Meinhold. Mr. Clark will interview Mr. Meinhold via telephone. Ms. Lund agreed to set up the interviews.

C. Public Comment

No public comment.

D. Reports

1. First Selectman's Report

Lamp Post Project

A fundraising mailing will be sent out this week. A press event has been scheduled for Monday, March 12 at noon. A public information session will be held on March 21 at 7:30pm in meeting room B of the Town Hall.

Route 7 Widening Public Information Session

The DOT will be hosting a public information session on April 11 at 7:30 pm at the Cider Mill cafeteria to report on the upcoming construction work.

Mr. Clark asked if the landscaping board plans could be made available again. Mr. Brennan agreed to request the boards from DOT.

Route 7 Widening – Norwalk/Wilton Line to Wolfpit Road

DOT representatives reviewed the initial designs with Town Officials. The project is expected to begin in 2010.

2. Selectman's Report

No report.

F. Adjournment

A MOTION was made by Mr. Clark, seconded by Mr. Creeth and carried 4-0 to adjourn the meeting at 8:42pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Lund
Recording Secretary