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BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S REGULAR MEETING
March 19, 2007

MINUTES

- Present: William F. Brennan, Alice L. Ayers, Harold E. Clark, Susan A. Bruschi (Richard F. Creeth notified intended absence)
- Others: Joe Dolan, Chief Financial Officer;
- Guests: Eleanor Sasso, Kathy Kato, Heidi Hawk, Eve Silverman, Rina Eidelberg, Alice Levin, Nancy Faesy, Soo Dillion, residents; Keri Enright, SmartPower; Audrey Adade, Wilton Villager; Brian Shea, Wilton Bulletin

First Selectman Brennan called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m.

A. Consent Agenda

A MOTION was made by Ms. Bruschi, seconded by Mr. Clark and carried 3-0-1 (Ms. Ayers abstained) to approve the consent agenda:

Minutes

- Board of Selectmen's Regular Meeting – March 5, 2007
- Board of Selectmen's Special Joint Meeting – March 7, 2007

B. Discussion and/or Action

1. Presentation on SmartPower 20% by 2010 Campaign and CT Clean Energy Communities program.

Ms. Sasso reviewed her involvement in various conservation issues. She distributed a number of articles on energy conservation and a copy of a letter to the editor she wrote.

Ms. Enright stated that SmartPower is a nonprofit organization which is funded by the Connecticut Clean Energy Fund and five private foundations. She noted that SmartPower does traditional and non-traditional marketing.

Ms. Enright explained that the 20% by 2010 Campaign is an initiative to challenge municipalities to get power from renewable energy sources. She stated that it is an investment program which would cost the town approximately \$1,000 initially for the first year but would rise to approximately \$12,000 by year 2010. Ms. Enright reported that the two options to meet the 20% renewable energy target is through the Connecticut Clean Energy Options (Community Energy or Sterling Planet) or through the National renewable credit.

Ms. Enright stated that once a municipality has passed a resolution committing to the 20% by 2010 campaign and 100 residents have signed up for the program, the municipality would earn two clean energy systems (\$20,000 value), including installation costs and permit costs.

Ms. Enright reviewed the cost estimate for the Town and suggested that the Town implement small increases each year. She acknowledged that the program has a 10-15 year payback period.

Mr. Brennan stated that the Selectman need time to review all the information and may form a committee to study the programs and review the options. He added that he did not completely agree with everything written in Ms. Sasso's draft letter to the editor.

Ms. Silverman mentioned that children in town are already working on getting residents to sign up for the program and that there are currently 54 Wilton customers enrolled.

Mr. Brennan commented that this topic will be discussed further after the budget season has ended.

2. Consideration of scheduling a public hearing on June 4, 2007 to hear comments on applications for the Neighborhood Assistance Act.

A MOTION was made by Mr. Brennan, seconded by Ms. Bruschi and carried 4-0 to schedule a public hearing on June 4 at 7:20 pm in meeting room B to hear comments on applications for the Neighborhood Assistance Act.

3. Consideration of appointing Jim Meinhold to the Water Pollution Control Authority to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Ted Hoffstatter. Said term to expire July 1, 2009.

A MOTION was made by Mr. Clark, seconded by Ms. Bruschi and carried 4-0 to appoint Jim Meinhold to the Water Pollution Control Authority to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Ted Hoffstatter. Said term to expire July 1, 2009.

4. Interview schedule for Richard Tomasetti, nominee for the Water Pollution Control Authority and Stephen Jones, nominee for the Council on Public Facilities.

The Selectmen expressed interest in interviewing the two candidates. Ms. Lund agreed to set up the interviews.

C. Public Comment

No public comment.

D. Reports

1. First Selectman's Report

SB 423- Super 7

Senate Bill #423 concerning Super 7 was not acted upon by the Transportation Committee and will not continue further. Press release attached.

2. Selectman's Report

No report.

F. Adjournment

A MOTION was made by Ms. Bruschi, seconded by Ms. Ayers and carried 4-0 to adjourn the meeting at 8:50pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Lund
Recording Secretary