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TOWN HALL 238 Danbury Road Wilton, CT 06897

BOARD OF SELECTMEN Monday, April 2, 2018 at 7:30 PM Meeting Room B, Town Hall

PRESENT: First Selectman Lynne Vanderslice, David Clune (arrived at 7:32PM), Michael

Kaelin, Lori Bufano, Deborah McFadden

GUESTS: Police Captain Rob Cippola, Chris Burney and Anne Kelly-Lenz

OTHERS: Members of the Press and Members of the Public

A. Call to Order

Ms. Vanderslice called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

Ms. Vanderslice asked for a motion to amend Item E-10 to discuss the appointment of an additional Alternate to the Board of Assessment Appeals due to the volume of meetings to be held. Motion moved by Ms. Bufano, seconded by Ms. McFadden and carried 4-0.

B. Executive Session

Ms. Vanderslice asked for a motion to go into Executive Session at the start of the meeting to discuss the Café Ruche lawsuit as Counsel who is handling the matter is only available for the next hour and invite CFO Anne Kelly-Lenz. Motion moved by Ms. McFadden, seconded by Ms. Bufano and carried unanimously.

Out of Executive Session at 7:42PM

C. Consent Agenda

Motion made by Ms. McFadden, to approve the March 19, 2018 Meeting Minutes seconded by Mr. Clune carried 4-0-1 with Mr. Kaelin abstaining as he was not present for the meeting.

Motion made by Mr. Kaelin to approve the remaining consent agenda seconded by Ms. McFadden and unanimously carried 5-0.

Minutes

Board of Selectmen Regular Meeting – March 19, 2018

Gifts

Donation Wilton Hardware – for Townwide Clean Up Day – 2 \$50 Gift Cards

Ms. Vanderslice thanked Wilton Hardware for their donation of the gift cards.

D. Public Comment None

E. Discussion and/or Action

1. Wolfpit/Belden Hill Intersection - State Proposal

Ms. Vanderslice noted that representatives from the State DOT met with Chief Lynch, Captain Cippola, Sergeant Hartman and her to share their concerns about the number of crashes at the Wolfpit/Belden Hill Intersection. The DOT had a proposal they wanted to discuss. Captain Rob Cipolla reviewed the DOT's recommendation of a modern roundabout (a rotary). Mr. Cippola noted that he was at the meeting to ascertain if the Board of Selectmen would support DOT holding a town public information session for their proposal. The Board agreed to support the DOT's proposed public information session. Captain Cippola to follow-up with DOT.

Captain Cippola noted that from a Police Department perspective two officers graduated the academy last week – Officer Sean Comer and Officer Christopher Ventura. The Board offered their congratulations to the officers.

2. Proposed Bonded Capital Projects

Chris Burney reviewed the Proposed Bonded Capital Projects. After review of the Proposed Bonded Capital Projects, a motion was made to approve the following items for bonding, \$3 million for the Road Restoration Program, \$700,000 for Replacement of Turf at Lilly Field with organic coconut husk with concussion padding, \$400,000 to Repave and add Lights to the Bus Barn. Motion move by Mr. Kaelin, seconded by Ms. McFadden and carried 5-0.

3. Town Bridges Update

Chris Burney gave an update on the Town Bridges. He noted that the study on the bridges should take about six weeks.

4. Town Hall Building

Chris Burney reviewed the issues at the Town Hall Building. He noted the Finance Department was temporarily relocated to Comstock. The Finance department area and the First Selectman's area were thoroughly cleaned. He noted that all employees have been very cooperative and thanked them for their cooperation.

5. POCD Supplemental Funding Request

Ms. Vanderslice reviewed the memo from P&Z noting the Planning & Zoning Commission will be holding more meetings and surveys than originally anticipated. This could increase the total cost by \$2,700 for a total \$102,700. Although the Planning & Zoning budget can accommodate the additional, spending, the First Selectwoman should be authorized to sign amendments to the agreement up to that amount. After review a motion made by Ms. Bufano to authorize the First Selectman to amend the contract with Milone and McBroome for spending up to \$102,700. Motion seconded by Ms. McFadden and carried 5-0.

- 6. Public Hearing Follow-Up Ms. Vanderslice noted that it was a disappointing turnout for the Public Hearing and that it is hard to know what the residents are thinking when they do not attend. Mr. Kaelin noted the positive responses he received regarding his comments about the Library funding.
- 7. Consideration of Approval of Application for Historic Preservation Grant Ms. Vanderslice reviewed the Historic Preservation Grant and noted that the grant is the same as in previous years, the only difference is that instead of putting documents on microfiche, documents will be scanned into the Cott system and at some point be made available online. After review, motion made by Ms. McFadden to approve the Application for the Historic Preservation Grant, seconded by Mr. Kaelin and carried 5-0.

8. Comstock Greenhouse Lease

Ms. Vanderslice reviewed the Comstock Greenhouse Lease with the Wilton Garden Club. She noted that the previous 10 year lease has expired and that the new lease is consistent with the prior leases. Motion made by Ms. Bufano to authorize the First Selectman to sign the Comstock Greenhouse Lease with the Wilton Garden Club. Motion seconded by Mr. Kaelin and carried 5-0.

9. Vacancy - Parks & Recreation

Ms. Vanderslice noted that Bill Lalor has assumed the position of Chair of the RTC so he has resigned from the Parks and Recreation Commission. She also noted that Pam Brown has applied for a vacancy on the Historic District and Historic Property Commission and could potentially be resigning from Parks and Recreation as well.

10. Appointments

- Board of Assessment Appeals

Ms. Vanderslice clarified the previous appointment of Fred Sindel, noting that is position is considered to be an Alternate. She asked for a renewed motion to appoint Mr. Sindel. Motion made to appoint Fred Sindel as an Alternate to the Board of Assessment Appeals for a term ending with the completion of the hearings and deliberations for the current appeal hearings applications moved by Ms. Bufano, seconded by Mr. Kaelin and carried 5-0

Ms. Vanderslice noted that as there have been numerous applications for appeals, would like to appoint a second Alternate to the Board of Assessment Appeals. She noted that alternates must be Democrats or Unaffiliated and the DTC has yet to identify a candidate for consideration. Ms. Vanderslice offered Rita Garland as a candidate for the Alternate position. After discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Clune to appoint Rita Garland as an Alternate to the Board of Assessment Appeals, seconded by Ms. McFadden and carried 5-0.

- Social Services

Ms. Vanderslice noted that there are two candidates to consider for the open position on the Commission on Social Services. She asked for a motion to go into an Executive Session following Public Comment to review the candidates

for appointment. Motion moved by Ms. McFadden, seconded by Mr. Clune and carried 5-0.

F. Selectmen's Reports

1. First selectman

Ms. Vanderslice noted that last week, Mike Conklin, Matt Motley from Millstone, Peter Gaboriault, Donna Merrill and Mike White from the Land Trust and herself walked the trail. She stated that good progress is being made on settling on an appropriate location for the trail.

She noted that she attended the Wilton's Women's Club fundraiser to benefit the Domestic Violence Crisis Center. She stated that the Women's Club and the DVCC both do great work and it nice to see such a large turnout.

Ms. Vanderslice noted that the Police Awards Ceremony is taking place on Monday April 9, 2018, 6:00PM at the Library in the Brubeck Room. She noted that it would be a nice opportunity for the public to show their support.

2. Selectmen

Ms. McFadden

Ms. McFadden thanked the board for their input on the BoF Subcommittee Survey. She noted she will be attending the Conservation Commission's next meeting to discuss fracking. She noted she is working with others to educate the public more on the subject.

Mr. Kaelin None

Mr. Clune asked for time at one of the next two meeting to give an update on the banners at the fields.

Ms. Bufano

Ms. Bufano noted that she attended the Zero Waste Faire and thanked those who helped to put it together. It was a very good event.

G. Public Comment

None

H. Executive Session

Discussion on Social Services candidates

Motion made by Ms. McFadden to enter into Executive Session at 8:55PM to
discuss Social Services candidates. Motion seconded by Mr. Kaelin and carried
5-0.

Out of Executive Session at 9:07PM.

Motion made by Mr. Kaelin to appoint Deborah List as a member to the Commission on Social Services, seconded by Ms. McFadden and carried 5-0.

I. Adjournment

Having no further business, Ms. Vanderslice asked for a motion to adjourn. Motion made by Ms. McFadden to adjourn meeting at 9:08PM. Motion was seconded by Ms. Bufano and unanimously carried 5-0.

Next Meeting - April 16, 2018

Jacqueline Rochester Recording Secretary

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