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# BOARD OF SELECTMEN REGULAR MEETING MONDAY, MARCH 4, 2013 MEETING ROOM B, WILTON TOWN HALL

PRESENT: First Selectman Bill Brennan, Hal Clark, Ted Hoffstatter, Richard Dubow,

James Saxe

GUESTS: Sandy Dennies, Chief Michael Lombardo, Patricia Sullivan (Cohen and

Wolf), Thomas Gerarde (Howd-Ludorf), Dr. Gary Richards, Karen Birck,

Cheryl Jensen-Gerner (M-D School), Bruce Likly, Chris Weldon

**OTHERS:** 3 members of press

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

#### A. Consent Agenda

Upon motion by Mr. Clark, the consent agenda was unanimously approved as follows:

#### Minutes

Board of Selectmen Regular Meeting Minutes – February 19, 2013

#### Tax Refunds

 Real Estate, Motor Vehicle and Personal Property Refunds as per Tax Collector's Memorandum of 2/27/13

#### Gifts

• \$200 to the Senior Center from Stamford Media Center & Productions LLC

#### B. Discussion and/or Action

1. <u>Miller Driscoll School Renovations – Revised Statement of Requirements</u>
Karen Birck, Board of Education, distributed the revised Statement of Requirements. The original SOR, prepared a year ago, basically required the construction of a new building. The Board of Selectmen then hired Turner Construction to perform a forensic study during the summer of 2012 to

determine if the building could be renovated for a life of 20 years. The biggest difference between the revised and original SOR is that the revised does not call for larger classrooms or reconfiguring of classrooms. The next steps will be for the Board of Selectmen to review the revised SOR and to prepare specific questions for the Council on Public Facilities. Turner Construction will be asked to prepare a preliminary estimate of costs.

#### 2. Finalize FY 13/14 Budget for submission to BOF

Mr. Brennan moved to approve the FY 2013/2014 Operating and Capital budget and estimates for bonded projects, as indicated in the summary (attached). Motion seconded and unanimously carried.

#### 3. Security Task Force - Charge/Objectives

Mr. Clark moved to adopt the Charge and Objectives for the Security Task Force (attached). Motion seconded and unanimously carried.

#### 4. Capital Projects - Status and Updates

Comstock and Middlebrook Roofs – design is completed and RFPs are being prepared to out this week. Middlebrook and High School Toilet Rooms – RFP will be going out this week. Miller Driscoll renovations – Revised SOR will be discussed at next BOS meeting and the Building Committee has been appointed.

#### 5. Appointments / Reappointments

Mr. Brennan moved to re-appoint Hal Clark as a member of the Energy Commission and to appoint James Newton to the Miller Driscoll Building Committee. Motion seconded and unanimously carried. The Board of Finance representative on the Miller-Driscoll Building Committee will be James Meinhold.

#### 6. Miscellaneous Other Business

<u>CEFIA and DEEP</u> — Mr. Clark reported that along with Mr. Brennan and Mr. Hoffstatter, he attended a presentation in New Canaan on Clean Energy Initiatives being brought forth by the State of CT. He also took the opportunity to lobby for S.B. 849 which gives municipalities the right, by ordinance, to issue exemptions for property taxes on energy improvements made under C-PACE.

<u>Yankee Gas</u> – The Planning & Zoning Commission has approved the 8-24 Referral for the gas line project.

- C. Public Comment None noted.
- D. Reports
  - 1. First Selectman's Report No report
  - 2. Selectmen Reports:

Mr. Saxe - No report

Mr. Hoffstatter – No report

Mr. Clark – No report

Mr. Hoffstatter – No report

#### E. Executive Session – Litigation

Mr. Brennan moved to enter executive session to discuss litigation and to invite attorneys Patricia Sullivan and Thomas Gerarde, Police Chief Michael Lombardo and Police Commission Chairman Chris Weldon to attend. Motion seconded and unanimously carried. Meeting entered executive session at 8:35 pm and returned to open session at 9:20 pm. A motion was made by Mr. Brennan to consent to the settlement that was reached by the Town's insurance carrier regarding the lawsuit brought by the Estate of Gonzalo Guizan. Motion seconded and unanimously carried.

Jan Andras, Recording Secretary

Attachment 1: FY'14 Budget and Capital Projects

Attachment 2: Security Task Force Charge and Objectives

Attachment 3: Press Release re: Settlement of Guizan Lawsuit (released 3/5/13)

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# Board of Selectmen FY 14 Budget Summary

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	<u>FY 13</u>	Request	<u>Variance</u>
<ul> <li>Operating Expenditures</li> </ul>	\$29,278,099	\$30,347,922	+3.65%
Operating Capital	\$ 1,069,224	<u>\$ 1,099,401</u>	+2.82%
Total	\$30,347,323	\$31,447,323	+3.62%

For reference, original operating expenditures and capital budget requests from Town Departments totaled +6.35% vs. the adopted FY 13 budget. Reductions were made with the cooperation of all Town departments, which is a significant accomplishment.

- Operating Expenditures and Capital no further changes were made since our review on February 14<sup>th</sup>.
- 2014 2018 Capital Improvement Program Bonded Capital Projects Project timing changes or funding requests were made to the following projects:
  - Open Space Conservation Easement Amount changed to reflect the Town's expected contribution, assuming current negotiations are successfully concluded, which involves a state open space grant and a Wilton Land Trust contribution. Project will require voter approval at a Special Town Meeting in June.

2014 Project

\$2,000,000

# NOTE: Following cost estimates obtained from BVH Engineering and Turner Construction (Not final)

#### Comstock Boiler and Heating System

0	Replace old boiler	\$420,000
O	Access, demolition and connection costs	\$ 55,000
٥	Soft costs	\$ 95,000
	2014 Project	\$570,000

-	Comstock Renovations  Develop A&E renovation plans and schematics 2014 Project	<u>\$150,000</u> \$150,000
-	High School Gas Conversion Costs	\$ 98,000 \$ 54,000 <u>\$ 30,400</u> \$182,400
-	<ul> <li>Cider Mill School</li> <li>Replace 2 old boilers to operate on natural gas</li> <li>Access, demolition and connection costs</li> <li>Soft costs</li> <li>2014 Project</li> </ul>	\$400,000 \$ 69,000 <u>\$ 93,800</u> \$562,800
-	Middlebrook School     Replace 2 old boilers to operate on natural gas     Access, demolition and connection costs     Soft costs     2014 Project	\$400,000 \$113,000 <u>\$102,600</u> \$615,600
-	Gilbert and Bennett Community Center  Replace old boiler, failing steam distribution system and oil tank replacement 2014 Project  (Note: Servco Oil Company preliminary cost estimates)	\$250,000 \$250,000 ate)
-	Summary – FY 14 Bonded Capital Projects  Board of Selectmen Board of Education Total	\$2,970,000 \$ <u>1,360,800</u> \$4,330,800

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#### Wilton Security Task Force

#### Mission

The charge to the Wilton Security Task Force will be to further enhance the safety and security of all Wilton's school children. The task force shall recommend measures to keep school children, staff and Town employees safe.

#### **Objectives**

- Assess the current status of safety and security in Wilton's schools and public facilities.
- Analyze identified areas in which security gaps or shortfalls exist and need remediation.
- Recommend balanced security practices and solutions to further enhance safety and security.
- Assess new technology, systems and products, make cost/benefit assessments and provide recommendations that support Wilton security enhancement objectives.
- Promote security educational programs that strengthen relationships between school administrators and emergency response personnel to create a safe school and community environment.
- Educate Wilton organizations and the community on best security procedures.

#### **Organization**

The Wilton Security Task Force will initially be composed of a minimum of nine members, appointed by the Board of Selectmen, with three representatives from the Wilton schools; a member from the Board of Selectmen; a senior officer from the Wilton Police Department; and four citizen volunteers with skills in public safety, security, law enforcement, emergency management or strategy development.

The task force will provide periodic reports and action recommendations to the Board of Selectmen and also to the Board of Education.

Citizen members appointed by the Board of Selectmen will serve two year terms, subject to term limits according to the Wilton Charter.

Lastly, the task force will hold all meetings in public, notice all meetings and provide minutes for the public record.

#### PRESS RELEASE

March 5, 2013 Contact: Jan Andras Office of the First Selectman (203) 563-0100

The Town of Wilton wishes to announce that a settlement was reached in the lawsuit brought by the Estate of Gonzalo Guizan who was shot during a SWERT operation conducted in the Town of Easton on May 18, 2008, pursuant to a valid search warrant. While the defendants, police departments and officers from Darien, Easton, Trumbull, Monroe and Wilton, maintain they were not responsible for the unfortunate death of Mr. Guizan, the insurers for the defendants believed that it was best to resolve the matter rather than incur further attorney fees, which were anticipated to be significant. The defendants and their insurers will continue to litigate the case brought by Ronald Terebesi, whose home was the object of the search warrant.

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