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TOWN HALL 238 Danbury Road Wilton, CT 06897

## BOARD OF SELECTMEN REGULAR MEETING MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2013 MEETING ROOM B, WILTON TOWN HALL

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

James Saxe

GUESTS: Sandy Dennies, Alex Carman (SWRPA), Pat Sesto, Tom Thurkettle, Tina

Gardner, Carole Young-Kleinfeld, Bob Russell, Peter Keiser, Florence

Keiser Romanov, Bruce Beebe, 8 members of public, Jan Andras

OTHERS: Three members of media

Mr. Brennan called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m.

## A. Consent Agenda

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

#### Minutes

Board of Selectmen Regular Meeting Minutes of 9/03/13

#### Tax Refunds

As per Tax Collector's Memorandum of September 11, 2013

#### **Gifts**

 WHS Classes of 2013 donation of funding to install new WHS sign at north exit of campus

#### B. Discussion and/or Action

#### 1. Keiser Property Conservation Easement/Agreement

Mr. Brennan recognized Mr. Peter Keiser and Ms. Florence Keiser Romanov who were present and were thanked for their family's generosity and help to enable the preservation of a beautiful part of Wilton, in perpetuity, for future generations. Pat Sesto, Director of Environmental Affairs, displayed maps of

the property and explained the proposed easement agreement. Mr. Brennan moved to authorize the First Selectman to execute the Contract of Sale of Interest in Real Property and Conservation Restriction for the 39.658 acres of Keiser property, as discussed. Motion seconded and unanimously carried.

Mr. Brennan moved to hold a Special Town Meeting on 11/19/13 at 7:30 pm at the Clune Center to consider a referendum on the purchase of a Conservation Restriction on 39.658 acres of the Keiser property located on Cannon and Seeley Roads, Wilton, CT by the Town of Wilton and the Wilton Land Conservation Trust. Motion seconded and unanimously carried. Mr. Saxe moved that upon approval of the Special Town Meeting, a priority be to make the property accessible and available to residents as soon as possible. Motion seconded and unanimously carried.

## 2. <u>Vehicle Location Tracking for Emergency Operations</u>

The Southwestern Regional Planning Agency (SWRPA) and the towns of Westport and Wilton propose to purchase automatic vehicle location (AVL) equipment and related software in order to map the location of Public Works vehicles and other critical public safety equipment during an emergency. Wilton currently has this equipment installed in its Fire and Police Department vehicles. Mr. Alex Carman of SWRPA explained that the costs for this pilot project will come from State OPM grants. No town funds will be used. SWRPA is awaiting approval from OPM to go ahead and use the funds.

## 3. Amendment to Alcohol Ordinance - Sunday Sales

Pursuant to Article VI of the Wilton Charter, a public hearing was held earlier this evening. Mr. Brennan distributed copies of 21 letters received from people in support of the amendment. The Chamber of Commerce has also expressed support. Mr. Brennan moved to approve the amendment to the Alcoholic Beverage Ordinance to allow Sunday sales in package stores (see attached). Motion seconded and unanimously carried. As per Town Charter, this amendment will be in effect 21 days from this meeting.

#### 4. Status of Capital Projects and Plans

Middlebrook School roof replacement is completed. Comstock Community Center roof replacement work has begun and is expected to be completed the end of September. The high school and Middlebrook toilet rooms are finished. The Miller Driscoll building committee has not yet finalized the timeline. There are abatement issues that could push the project back. Regarding the Comstock renovation project, the architects have done a walk through and proposals are due 9/25. There will be a project review meeting tomorrow with Yankee Gas to discuss the gas line extension project.

Mr. Saxe reported that Deputy Chief Amatrudo took a pre-construction trip for the new fire tanker and reviewed 88 pages of detailed specs. Will be signing off on finals next week.

Mr. Clark reported that the Friends of Ambler Farm still need to raise \$125,000 in order to get the matching funds from the Town.

## 5. <u>Proclamation – "No Texting While Driving" Day</u>

Mr. Brennan read the proclamation (attached), emphasizing that the Board of Selectmen members have pledged to never text while driving and ask all others to do so, to save lives. Mr. Dubow stressed that this is not just for the one day – but for always.

## 6. 2014 Board of Selectmen Meeting Schedule

Mr. Brennan moved to approve the 2014 Board of Selectmen Meeting Schedule. Motion seconded and unanimously carried.

## 7. 2014 Town Hall Employees Holiday Schedule

Mr. Mr. Brennan moved to approve the 2014 Town Hall Employees Holiday Schedule (attached). Motion seconded and unanimously carried.

#### 8. Miscellaneous Other Business

<u>Reappointments</u> – Mr. Brennan moved reappointments as attached. Motion seconded and unanimously carried.

<u>FY 13 Year End Financials</u> – Ms. Dennies handed out preliminary numbers for FY 2013, noting that the auditors are still working on this and there could be modifications.

#### C. Public Comment - None noted

## D. Reports

- 1. First Selectman's Report: No report
- 2. Selectmen Reports:

Mr. Dubow - No report

Mr. Clark – The energy commission will be meeting with Lee Wilson to discuss some of the things he has done and what he would like to do as part of C-PACE. The security task force is meeting with the Miller Driscoll building committee and architect to discuss recommendations.

Mr. Hoffstatter – No report

Mr. Saxe - No report

E. Adjournment – Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Jan Andras, Recording Secretary

Dan Andras

BOS Minutes 09/16/13

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR PROPOSED AMENDMENT

TO

#### THE WILTON ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ORDINANCE

Pursuant to Article VI of the Wilton Charter, notice is hereby given that the Board of Selectmen will hold a public hearing on September 16, 2013, at 7:00 p.m. in Town Hall Meeting Room B to consider and discuss a proposed amendment to The Alcoholic Beverages Ordinance

AMENDMENT OF SECTION 8 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF WILTON TO ALLOW THE SALE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES BY ESTABLISHMENTS OPERATING UNDER A PACKAGE STORE PERMIT ON SUNDAYS

Chapter 8 of the Code of the Town of Wilton will be revised to include the following addition (italicized). Copies of the full ordinance are available in the First Selectman's office.

**8.4 Sale of Liquor under Package Store Permits**. The Town of Wilton shall allow the sale of alcoholic liquor under Package Store Permits between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m. on Monday through Saturday and between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on Sundays, excepting Thanksgiving, New Year's Day and Christmas.

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## **PROCLAMATION**

HEREAS, texting has become the way many people communicate today, which means there are some doing it at the worst possible time – while driving; and

HEREAS, texting while driving is involved in over 100,000 motor vehicle crashes each year, often causing injuries and deaths; and

HEREAS, those who text while driving are 23 times more likely to be involved in some type of safety critical event, as compared to those drivers who don't text while they drive; and

HEREAS, in 2009, AT&T launched the public awareness campaign "It Can Wait" to educate the public about the dangers of texting while driving by encouraging consumers to take the personal pledge not to text while driving.

OW THEREFORE, I, William F. Brennan, First Selectman, do proclaim that the Town of Wilton designates September 19, 2013 as "No Texting While Driving Day" to focus attention on the dangers of texting while driving; and

B e it further proclaimed that the members of the Board of Selectmen have taken the personal pledge to not text and drive, support efforts to raise public awareness about the dangers of texting while driving and encourage others to take the pledge not to text and drive.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and caused the seal of the Town of Wilton to be affixed on this 16<sup>th</sup> day of September 2013.

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#### **September 17, 2013**

TO: Board of Selectmen

FROM: Jan Andras

RE: 2014 Proposed Town Hall Employees Paid Holiday Schedule

Below is a proposed 2014 Town Hall Employee Paid Holiday Schedule for your review and approval:

#### **HOLIDAY**

New Year's Day Wednesday, January 1 \*

Martin Luther King Day Monday, January 20 \*

Presidents Day Monday, February 17

Good Friday Friday, April 18 \*

Memorial Day Monday, May 26 \*

Independence Day Friday, July 4 \*

Labor Day Monday, September 1 \*

Columbus Day Monday, October 13

Thanksgiving Day Thursday, November 27 \*
Day after Thanksgiving Friday, November 28 \*

Christmas Thursday, December 25 \*

Friday, December 26 (floating holiday)

As per contract – 9 set holidays\* plus two recognized holidays and one floating holiday to be determined by the BOS.

APPROVED BY BOS ON 9/16/14

#### Jan Andras Executive Assistant Office of the First Selectman



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TO: Town Clerk's Office

FROM: Jan Andras

DATE: September 17, 2013

RE: 2014 Board of Selectmen Meeting Schedule

Below is the 2014 Board of Selectmen Meeting Schedule that was approved on September 16, 2013:

DATE	DAY OF WEEK	REASON
January 6	Monday	
January 21	Tuesday	Town Offices Closed Innuery 20 MIV In Day
February 3	Monday	Town Offices Closed January 20 – MLK, Jr. Day
February 18	Tuesday	Town Offices Classed February 17 Dresidents' Day
March 3	Monday	Town Offices Closed February 17 – Presidents' Day
March 17	Monday	
April 7	Monday	
April 21	Monday	
May 5	Monday	
May 19	Monday	
June 2	Monday	
June 16	Monday	
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July 7	Monday	
July 21	Monday	
August 4	Monday	
August 18	Monday	T OCC - Cl 10 / 1 1 1 1 D
September 2	Tuesday	Town Offices Closed September 1 – Labor Day
September 22	Monday	
October 6	Monday	
October 20	Monday	
November 3	Monday	
November 17	Monday	
December 1	Monday	
December 15	Monday	

## REAPPOINTMENTS September 16, 2013 Board of Selectmen Meeting

## Area 9 Cable Council - 2 year term

(R) Gary Battaglia

# Building Inspector Board of Appeals - 5 year term

(R) Richard Tomasetti

# Employee Retirement Plan Investment Committee – 2 year term

- (R) Robert Schulz
- (R) Jeffrey Rutishauser
- (R) Robert Kelso

## Commission on Social Services - 2 year term

- (R) Virginia Smith
- (R) Roseann DeSimone

## Parks & Recreation Commission – 4 year term

(U) Kevin O'Brien

# Southwest Regional Tourism District Board of Directors – 3 year term

(R) Judith White