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**BOARD OF SELECTMEN REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, APRIL 2, 2012
MEETING ROOM B, WILTON TOWN HALL**

- PRESENT:** First Selectman Bill Brennan, Hal Clark, Ted Hoffstatter, Richard Dubow, James Saxe
- GUESTS:** Sandy Dennies, Gary Richards, Cheryl Jensen-Gerner, Bruce Likly, Karen Birck, Ron Hitter, Malcolm White, Bruce Hampson, 6 member of public, Jan Andras
- OTHERS:** Alissa Smith (The Daily Wilton), Korey Wilson (Villager), Joan Lownds (Bulletin), Craig Donofrio (Patch)

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 – 3/19/12

B. Discussion and/or Action

1. Miller Driscoll School Statement of Requirements Presentation

Ms. Karen Birck, BOE member, gave a slide presentation outlining proposed requirements for the Miller Driscoll School. Several of the Selectmen felt that the presentation seemed to represent construction of a new school, while the issue is the most cost-efficient means to acquire space needs for Pre-K. Mr. Clark asked to see a side-by-side square footage comparison of what exists now and what is being proposed. Mr. Saxe asked for clarification on the required number of restrooms. Mr. Dubow pointed out that there is no provision for the playground in these requirements.

Mr. Whyte, CPF Chairman, stated that what has been proposed here will not fit on the site. You cannot add 200 square feet to each classroom and stay within the existing footprint. The Council on Public Facilities needs to know exactly what the Selectmen want them to review. The Selectmen will forward specific questions for the CPF to the First Selectman who will consolidate and forward to Mr. Whyte.

Mr. Brennan moved to refer the Miller Driscoll Statement of Requirements, with specific questions from the Board of Selectmen, to the Council on Public Facilities. Motion seconded and unanimously carried.

2. FY 2013 Budget – Next Steps

The BOS will meet with the BOF on 4/12. A public information hearing will be held at the Library on 4/23. Mr. Brennan advised that for the past 5 years, we have been looking into Fire Department Dispatch regionalization, but due to continuing operational and labor issues, it was decided today that the project will have to be deferred until it has wide support from other towns. That means that the FY 13 operating capital can be reduced by \$90,000.

In addition, the audit indicated that a number of capital programs have been completed but still have residual funds, in the amount of \$815,000. These funds can be used to reduce existing debt service or for projects that have been approved but not yet bonded. Ms. Dennies proposes that \$150,000 be used for the Middlebrook School roof engineering study that was authorized by the Town Meeting in 2010. Mr. Saxe proposed to use \$250,000 of these funds for the engineering of the Miller Driscoll Siding and Roof Renovations that was also approved in 2010.

Mr. Clark moved the Resolution A attached. Motion seconded and unanimously carried. Mr. Clark moved Resolution B attached. Motion seconded and unanimously carried.

3. Economic Development Commission

Mr. Dubow revised the documents he previously drafted based on input from the other Selectmen. He distributed copies. This will be on a future agenda.

4. Comstock and Middlebrook School Roofs - Forensic Evaluation

Mr. Brennan advised that Latsky Associates has performed a very thorough evaluation of the roofs. At Comstock, the roof already has two layers so we cannot add another. Removing the existing roof and replacing is estimated at a cost of \$650,000. At Middlebrook, some sections of the roof have another 3-5 years of life so they do not need to be done right away. It was decided to hold a special BOS meeting on 4/10/12 to make a decision in order to finalize the Capital Budget for FY 13.

5. Resolution Authorizing Signers for Webster Bank, NA Account

Mr. Saxe moved to approve the Resolution naming authorized signers for the Webster Bank, NA Account. Motion seconded and unanimously carried.

6. Wilton Volunteer Ambulance Corps Lease

Mr. Clark noted that the lease calls for \$1 per year "rent" while the Town is still responsible for large maintenance items. Mr. Brennan pointed out that the Town is required by the State to provide ambulance and emergency services to the community. We have always provided the facility in this lease. Mr. Ron Hitter, WVAC President, noted that the Corps is accepting the building "as is". This is a standard type lease that has been reviewed by the attorneys. Mr. Hoffstatter moved to authorize the First Selectman to sign the Wilton Volunteer Ambulance Corps Lease. Motion seconded and unanimously carried.

7. Addendum to Energy Efficiency Services LOA – CL&P Grant

Mr. Dubow moved to authorize the First Selectman to sign the Addendum to the Energy Efficiency Services LOA, which increases the grant amount the Town of Wilton will receive. Motion seconded and unanimously carried.

8. Agreement between Southwestern Regional Communications Center, Inc. and the Town of Wilton and the Wilton Volunteer Ambulance Corps

The Wilton Volunteer Ambulance Corps will be dispatched by a regional dispatcher. Mr. Ron Hitter explained that regional dispatch is designated by the state as a regional control point for mutual aid. Mr. Dubow moved to authorize the First Selectman to sign the Agreement between SWRCC, the Town of Wilton and the Wilton Volunteer Ambulance Corps. Motion seconded and unanimously carried.

9. Miscellaneous Other Business

CL&P – A meeting was held here at Town Hall where CL&P officials explained the expanded tree trimming program, which is being doubled from \$26 million to \$52 million state-wide. CL&P will also be "hardening" equipment to improve reliability. The work will be done from early June through the end of the year.

C. Public Comment: None noted

D. Reports

1. First Selectman's Report

Energy Conservation – We have recommendations for "building champions". Bruce Hampson will be briefing them on the reporting data.

Clean-Up – Despite the weather, there were over 80 volunteers who came out on Saturday to help pick up litter around the town. Mr. Brennan thanked all the citizens for helping to clean up the town on a very rainy day.

2. Selectmen Reports

Mr. Dubow – No report
Mr. Clark – No report
Mr. Hoffstatter – No report

Mr. Saxe – He is reviewing the Noise Ordinance information and will report back at a future meeting.

E. Executive Session

Mr. Brennan moved to enter executive session to discuss a real estate transaction and to invite Ms. Dennies to attend. Motion seconded and unanimously carried. Meeting entered executive session at 9:45 p.m. and returned to open session at 10:05 p.m. No action was taken.

F. Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:06 p.m.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jan Andras". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Jan" being more prominent than the last name "Andras".

Jan Andras, Recording Secretary

Resolution A: Middlebrook School Roof Repairs

Resolution B: Miller Driscooll School – Siding and Roof Renovations

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WHEREAS, the Town of Wilton, Connecticut (the "Town") has surplus bond proceeds remaining from certain projects and purposes, which projects are complete or are no longer intended to be completed; and

WHEREAS, the Annual Town Meeting in May, 2010 adopted a resolution entitled "Resolution Appropriating \$150,000 For the Planning and Design Of Roof Repairs And Improvements At Middlebrook School And Authorizing The Issuance Of \$150,000 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Appropriation" (the "Resolution") and has not issued bonds for the projects authorized in the Resolution,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN:

The Board of Selectmen request that the Board of Finance re-designate such surplus bond proceeds to fund the project set forth in the Resolution.

Resolution adopted by the Board of Selectmen 4/2/12

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