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TOWN HALL 238 Danbury Road Wilton, CT 06897

# BOARD OF SELECTMEN REGULAR MEETING MONDAY JUNE 5, 2017 TOWN HALL – MEETING ROOM B

PRESENT: First Selectman Lynne Vanderslice, Michael Kaelin, Lori Bufano, Richard

**Dubow and David Clune** 

GUESTS: Anne Kelly-Lenz, Elaine Tai Lauria, Robert Kelso and Glenn Hemmerle,

Vivian Lee Shiue

**OTHERS:** Members of the Press and Members of the Public

A. Call to Order

Ms. Vanderslice called the meeting to order at 7:36PM

B. Interviews

Ms. Vanderslice asked for a motion to go into Executive Session to interview Jeff Turner followed by Marianne Gustafson. Motion moved by Ms. Bufano, seconded by Mr. Kaelin and carried unanimously.

Out of Executive Session at 8:27PM.

C. Consent Agenda

Motion made by Mr. Clune, seconded by Mr. Kaelin and carried 4-0, to approve the Consent Agenda as follows:

#### <u>Minutes</u>

Board of Selectmen Special Meeting – May 23, 2017

#### Refunds

As per Tax Collector's Memo dated June 1, 2017

#### **Gifts**

- Wilton Woman's Club Barbara Quincy Tree (Posthumous Tree Steward Award) \$100.00
- Patricia Wernig Barbara Quincy Tree (Posthumous Tree Steward Award) \$25.00
- League of Women Voters Barbara Quincy Tree (Posthumous Tree Steward Award) \$125.00

# D. Public Comment None

#### E. Discussion and/or Action

Wilton Library Association – 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Review
 Elaine Tai-Lauria, Glenn Hemmerle & Robert Kelso representing the Wilton
 Library Association gave the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Review for the Wilton Library
 Association. After review, Mr. Kaelin thanked Glenn Hemmerle and Robert
 Kelso for their long service to the Wilton Library Association.

# 2. EDC – Echo Brand Contract for Commercial Video Vivian Lee-Shiue reviewed the EDC-Echo Brand Contract for Commercial Video. She noted that the contract is for \$11,820 and that Adam Pemberton, owner of Echo Brand Group Inc. was chosen for the project. Ms. Shiue noted that Mr. Pemberton stated that the video would take 4+ weeks to produce with release in September of 2017. Motion made by Mr. Kaelin to authorize the First Selectman to sign the contract pending review by Town Counsel. Motion seconded by Ms. Bufano and carried 3-0-1 with Ms. Vanderslice abstaining.

# 3. Road Paving Contract

CFO Anne Kelly-Lenz reviewed the Road Paving Contract. After review, motion made by Mr. Kaelin to authorize the First Selectman to sign the contract pending review by Town Counsel with the ultimate decision to sign resting with Ms. Vanderslice. Motion seconded by Mr. Clune and carried 4-0.

- 4. Proposal for Change to Cruiser Use Fees
  Ms. Kelly-Lenz reviewed the Proposal for Change to Cruiser Fees. After
  review, motion made by Ms. Bufano to approve the Proposal for Change to
  Cruiser Use Fees, seconded by Mr. Kaelin and carried 4-0.
- Proposal for Changes to Building Department Fees
   Ms. Kelly-Lenz reviewed the Proposal for Changes to Building Department
   Fees. After review, motion made by Mr. Kaelin seconded by Ms. Bufano to
   approve the Proposal for Changes to the Building Department Fees and
   carried 4-0.
- Parks & Recreation DJ Contract for 4<sup>th</sup> of July
   Ms. Kelly-Lenz reviewed the Parks & Recreation DJ Contract for 4<sup>th</sup> of July
   festivities. After review, motion made by Mr. Clune, seconded by Ms. Bufano
   to approve the Parks & Recreation DJ Contract for 4<sup>th</sup> of July festivities and
   carried 4-0.
- 7. IS NEGEO Contract for Public GIS Access Ms. Kelly-Lenz reviewed the IS NEGEO Contract for Public GIS Access. Contract has been reviewed by Town Counsel. After review, motion made by Mr. Kaelin, seconded by Mr. Clune to approve the First Selectman to sign the IS NEGEO Contract for Public GIS Access and carried 4-0.

- 8. Weir Farm Scenic Road Alteration Request
  Ms. Vanderslice reviewed the Weir Farm Scenic Road Alteration Request.
  After discussion and a required under the Town's Scenic Road ordinance, Mr.
  Clune made a motion to refer the request on to the Conservation Commission,
  Planning & Zoning Commission, Fire Department, Police Department,
  Department of Public Works and WVAC for their review and recommendations.
  Motion seconded by Ms. Bufano and carried 4-0.
- 9. 2017 Area 9 Cable Council Cablevision Government Access Fund Grant Ms. Kelly-Lenz reviewed the 2017 Area 9 Cable Council Cablevision Government Access Fund grant. After review, motion made by Ms. Bufano, seconded by Clune to approve the 2017 Area 9 Cable Council Cablevision Government Access Fund Grant application and carried 4-0.

#### 10. Appointments

Ms. Vanderslice noted the previous meeting's discussion about looking into why people resign from committees. Ms Vanderslice noted the following statistics of the work of this BOS since December 2015:

Forty eight vacancies have been addressed by this BoS since December 2015 as follows:

- 18 due to expired terms
- 6 due to conflict of interests (2 because of other boards they served on, 4 because of employment)
- 5 due to moving out of town
- 4 because they took another board position
- 4 due to no one specific reason
- 3 due to work conflicts
- 3 termed out
- 2 due to death
- 2 previous vacancies for which I have no information
- Position had never previously been filled.

In addition, 17 positions filled for new committees which previously had not existed.

Board agreed to discuss current candidates for the Water Commission and Historic District & Historic District Commission-Alt in Executive Session.

#### E. Reports

1. First Selectman's Report

Ms. Vanderslice commented on the following:

**Transfer Station Passes:** Ongoing study of the transfer station. Part of that is an effort to modernize the resident's experience. Currently have paper sticker and paper tickets. Until work is completed, residents can continue to use their 2016/2017 passes. If you have a 2016/2017 pass you do not need to do anything, it will be honored after July 1. If you don't have a 2016/2017, pass, please obtain one at the Town Clerk's office.

#### Merwin Meadows Passes:

Reminder Passes now needed on the weekend for Merwin Meadows. Once school is out, passes will be needed during the week. Reminder that we have reinstated to long standing practice of charging a fee.

Out of town fees have increased, but resident fees remain the same as summer of 2015. Residents shared that 2016 was a better experience versus 2015. This year should be even better as we have performed repairs on the playground. P&R has received positive feedback about the playground repairs.

For residents who only use the playground and do not want pay a fee, we have a brand new playground on the back side of Miller Driscoll. All school playgrounds are free and accessible during the week once school is out.

### Playground at Gilbert and Bennett

The playground at the Gilbert and Bennett soccer field is in disrepair. We have received resident complaints. We will be removing the playground. Due to limited use, we do not have immediate plans to replace the playground. Should a playground become available that may change. In the meantime, removal of the playground expands the area available to Wilton Soccer Association the primary user of the field.

#### John Godfrey Retirement

Police Records Officer, John Godfrey, has announced his retirement after more than 28 years with the Wilton Police force. John has done a particularly outstanding job as the records officer and was recognized as the Officer of the Year in 2015. Ms. Vanderslice wished John the best of luck in his retirement.

#### 2. Selectman's Reports

Mr. Kaelin

Mr. Kaelin commented on the success of the YMCA Benefit. Mr. Kaelin also encouraged attendance at the upcoming Ambler Farm Benefit.

Mr. Clune

Mr. Clune commented on the success of the Memorial Day Parade and thanked everyone.

Ms. Bufano

Ms. Bufano thanked the EDC for coming out for the Memorial Day festivities and for filming and posting pictures of the event.

# F. Public Comment None

#### G. Executive Session

Motion made by Mr. Kaelin to enter into Executive Session at 9:40PM to discuss candidates for appointment to the Water Commission and the Historic District & Historic Properties Commission. The motion was seconded by Mr. Clune and carried 4-0.

Out of Executive Session at 9:59PM

# H. Appointments

- Water Commission
   Motion made by Mr. Kaelin to appoint Charles Wesendorf to the Water Commission, seconded by Ms. Bufano and carried 4-0.
- Historic District and Historic Properties Alt
   Motion made by Mr. Kaelin to appoint Marianne Gustafson to the Historic
   District and Historic Properties Commission as an alternate, seconded by Mr.
   Clune and carried 4-0.

# I. Adjournment

Having no further business, Ms. Vanderslice asked for a motion to adjourn. Motion made by Ms. Bufano to adjourn meeting at 10:01PM. Motion was seconded by Mr. Kaelin and unanimously carried.

Next Meeting – June 19, 2017

Jacqueline Rochester Recording Secretary

Taken from Video