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TOWN HALL
238 Danbury Road
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**BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MONDAY MAY 8, 2017
TOWN HALL – MEETING ROOM B**

- PRESENT:** Michael Kaelin, David Clune, Lori Bufano,
ABSENT: First Selectman Lynne Vanderslice and Richard Dubow (Excused)
- GUESTS:** Anne Kelly-Lenz, Deborah Thompson-Van, Richard Creeth and Mark Robbins of MHR Development
- OTHERS:** Members of the Press and Members of the Public

- A. Call to Order
Mr. Kaelin called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM
- B. Executive Session
As candidates for interview were not present for the Executive Session, Mr. Kaelin asked for a motion to pass this item on the Agenda. Motion moved by Ms. Bufano, seconded by Mr. Clune and carried 3-0.
- C. Consent Agenda
Motion made by Mr. Clune, seconded by Ms. Bufano and carried 3-0, to approve the consent agenda as follows:

Minutes

- Board of Selectmen Meeting-Public Hearing – April 17, 2017
- Board of Selectmen Meeting – April 17, 2017

Refunds

- As Per Tax Collectors Memo dated April 26, 2017

- D. Public Comment
None

E. Discussion and/or Action

1. Bond Closing Update – Anne Kelly-Lenz

Ms. Kelly-Lenz reviewed the bond closing. She noted that the bond closing was on April 26, 2017 and that there were six bids. The winning bid was Roosevelt & Cross. The amount being bonded is \$8,650,000 with a premium of \$528,024.90 at a rate of 2.338776.

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2. Liability Insurance Status – Anne Kelly-Lenz
Ms. Kelly-Lenz reviewed Liability Insurance Status (memo attached). She noted that Castlepoint National Insurance Company, the Town's form Umbrella Insurance Company was declared insolvent on April 1, 2017 and Connecticut Guaranty Association has assumed responsibility for handling certain claims arising out of policies issued out of Castlepoint. Ms. Kelly-Lenz further the reviewed the Town's Liability Insurance status.
3. Fourth of July Fireworks Contract
Ms. Kelly-Lenz reviewed the contract for the 4th of July Fireworks. Ms. Kelly-Lenz noted that the contract is with Atlas ProVision Entertainment Group for the dollar amount of \$14,000. Motion to approve the First Selectman to sign the Fourth of July Fireworks Contract made by Mr. Clune, seconded by Ms. Bufano and carried 3-0.
4. First Selectman Contract Execution Authority – Anne Kelly-Lenz
Ms Kelly-Lenz reviewed the request for Contract Execution Authority. Mr. Kaelin asked that a more detailed proposal be put together before approving.
5. First Selectman Gift Acceptance Authority – Anne Kelly-Lenz
Ms. Anne Kelly-Lenz reviewed the request for the Gift Acceptance Authority. Mr. Kaelin asked to review current policy in place before moving forward with approval.

Mr. Kaelin asked for a motion to go into Executive Session to interview Cecilia Maher for the Wilton Library Association Board of Trustees. Motion moved by Mr. Clune, seconded by Ms. Bufano and carried 3-0.

Out of Executive Session at 8:33 PM.

Back in Regular Session at 8:34 PM

6. Solar Project – Approval and Selection of a Vendor
Standing in for First Selectman Lynne Vanderslice, CFO Anne Kelly-Lenz read a statement regarding the Solar Project (statement attached). Deborah Thompson-Van (Co-Chair of the WEC), Mark Robbins of MHR Development reviewed the proposal and the recommendation of Kingspan as the vendor for the project. After review and discussion motion made by Mr. Kaelin to authorize the First Selectman to begin contract negotiations with Kingspan. Motion seconded by Ms. Bufano and carried 3-0.
7. Discussion of Ballot Results
Mr. Kaelin reported that all items passed on the Ballot.
8. Report on Town Wide Clean Up
Mr. Kaelin reviewed the report on the Town Wide Clean up (memo attached). Ms. Bufano, Mr. Clune and Mr. Kaelin thanked all that participated in the event.
9. Appointments/Reappointments
Appointments tabled for the evening.

F. Reports

1. First Selectman's Report

CFO Anne Kelly-Lenz, standing in for the First Selectmen provided an update on the Paving Schedule and the Eversource Pole Replacement.

2. Selectman's Reports

Ms. Bufano

Ms. Bufano noted that she attended Go Green and it was enjoyable. She also noted that the turnout was great.

Mr. Clune

Mr. Clune noted that he participated in Go Green and also participated at the Town Wide Clean Up.

Mr. Kaelin

Mr. Kaelin noted that the Town Meeting was terrific, everyone was civil and that there was positive and constructive discourse. He stated that the only disappointment was with confusion of role of non electors being present at meeting and apologized for that. Better communication on proper procedures and disappointed in the criticism directed at town employees who attended meeting.

G. Public Comment

None

H. Executive Session

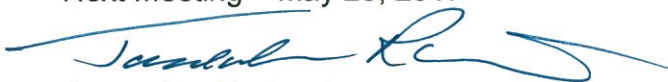
Motion made by Mr. Kaelin to enter into Executive Session to discuss Collective Bargaining Negotiations Update and invite Sarah Taffel. The motion was seconded by Ms. Bufano and carried 3-0.

Out of Executive Session at 9:30 PM

I. Adjournment

Having no further business, Mr. Kaelin asked for a motion to adjourn. Motion made by Ms. Bufano to adjourn meeting at 9:31 PM. Motion was seconded by Ms. Bufano and unanimously carried.

Next Meeting – May 23, 2017



Jacqueline Rochester
Recording Secretary
Taken from Video



May 8, 2017

To: Board of Selectmen

From: Anne Kelly-Lenz 

Re: Castlepoint National Insurance Company

Castlepoint National Insurance Company, the Town/BOE's former umbrella insurance provider, was declared insolvent on April 1, 2017. Connecticut Insurance Guaranty Association (CIGA) has assumed responsibility for handling certain claims arising out of policies issued by Castlepoint. C.G.S. 38a-836 to 38a-853 for the CIGA Act. Although 38a-841 (a) (1) (B) (iii), included below, speaks to coverage levels, we will not know until the time of an actual claim as to the coverage.

Castlepoint has not been our excess insurer since January 2014. At the time of the July 1, 2013 renewal, Castlepoint and its parent, Tower Insurance, were rated A- (excellent) by AM Best, the recognized source for ratings of insurance providers. In October 2013, Tower Insurance disclosed a restatement of their 2011 and 2012 financial statement, which resulted in a downgrade of their rating from A- (excellent) to B+ (good). The Town's insurance agent moved the excess to another insurer in January 2014. We are investigating to understand why there was three month time lag between the downgrade and the move.

Chubb, rated A++(superior) is the Town's current umbrella provider. We have \$10 million per incident with a \$10 million aggregate.


Argonaut Insurance Co, is the Town/BOE's current primary liability insurer and has been for some time. Argonaut Insurance Co is rated A (excellent). Our coverage with them is \$1 million per incident with a \$2 million aggregate.

C.G.S. 38a-841 (a) (1) (B) (iii)

(iii) five hundred thousand dollars for claims arising under policies of insurers against which a final order of liquidation with a finding of insolvency has been entered by a court of competent jurisdiction in the insurer's state of domicile on or after October 1, 2015.

May 8, 2017

To: Board of Selectmen

From: Lynne Vanderslice 

Re: Solar Installation-WPS

As was discussed at our April 3rd meeting:

- The Wilton Energy Commission received nine responses to their RFP for the installation of solar arrays at Miller Driscoll and Middlebrook and possibly the High School should we be awarded ZRECs for such.
- The WEC ranked Greenskies and Kingspan as the top two respondents. The following is the information for schools for which we have been awarded ZRECs:
 - Greenskies' proposal included first year output for Middlebrook of 255,070kw and a purchase price of \$.025. Kingspan's included output of 290,862kw and a purchase price of \$.021.
 - Greenskies's proposal included first year output for Miller Discoll of 357,910kw and a purchase price of \$.020. Kingspan's included output of 387,505 and a purchase price of \$.021.
 - Kingspan's proposal results in greater savings to the Town.
 - Greenskies proposes to install, own and maintain the systems. Kingspan proposes to install the systems. The Connecticut Green Bank will own and maintain the systems. The Connecticut Green Bank recently entered into an agreement with Blackrock/Onyx for financing and on-going maintenance. This will result in an additional layer of review before the installation is complete.
 - WEC has received favorable references for both vendors.
 - Both vendors provided output and purchase pricing for the High School based on hypothetical ZREC pricing. Each offered the lower purchase price on one of the two hypotheticals.

The Planning & Zoning Commission responded favorably to our 8-24 referral.

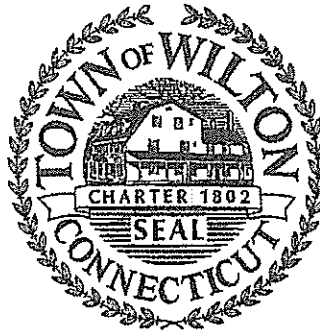
Chris Burney supports the project. As previously discussed, the impact on the roof is minimal as the only possible penetration may be for electrical. The installation is not bolted to the roofs. A ballasted system, weighted down by sand bags, will hold the arrays in place.

Two resident energy professionals have reviewed the responses and endorse the project. They have projected a savings of \$1.4 million to \$1.7 million over the twenty year period.

Subject to any additional comments by the WEC, I recommend we vote to move this project forward and begin contract negotiations with Kingspan. Their proposal provides less risk to the Town since it is

not dependent on one company. Kingspan's proposal of providing more output results in the greatest savings to the Town. If the greater output cannot be achieved, the difference in annual savings is still more favorable with Kingspan, though minimal. Thus the true advantage is the lack of the sole source risk. The contract would be presented to the BOS at a future meeting.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Selectman

FROM: Jennifer Fanzutti, Environmental Analyst

DATE: April 24, 2017

RE: **Annual Townwide Community Clean Up Day Results
Saturday, April 22, 2017**

The Wilton Conservation Commission held it's most successful Clean Up Day ever this past Saturday. The event was well publicized on the town's website, Facebook page, local newspapers, and in the Wilton Public Schools.

Conservation Commissioners Frank Simone and Jade Hobson and Department of Environmental Affairs staff coordinated efforts in organizing the event. We ramped up our outreach to community-based volunteer organizations as well as individual volunteers and the work paid off as several new groups rallied their members.

Over 250 volunteers including members from the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Wilton Kiwanis, A Better Chance, Our Lady of Fatima Church, Democratic Town Committee, Republican Town Committee, the Riverbrook YMCA, Wilton High School Junior Class, Wilton High School Key Club & Ecology Club and Trout Unlimited pitched in to pick up litter around town. Volunteers met at the gazebo where the Conservation Commission handed out garbage bags and work gloves. Then everyone set out to pick up litter in 45 different areas throughout town including sections of Route 7, River Road, Pimpewaug Road, School Road, Allen's Meadows, Belden Hill Road, Ridgefield Road, Kent Road, along the Norwalk River, and the Gilbert & Bennett School grounds. The volunteers filled up two dumpsters provided by Wilton's Department of Public Works with all kinds of roadside litter including chairs, tires, scrap metal and a ceiling fan.

The Commission saw a large increase in participation this year from 40 participants in 2016 to 200 participants in 2017. We collected 5,160 pounds of trash and made a huge impact on the roadside litter in Wilton. Pinocchio's Pizza donated a free slice of pizza to each volunteer of our cleanup day. An anonymous \$500 donation supplied prizes to 10 lucky volunteers including two \$100 gift cards to Orem's Diner, two \$50 gift cards to Bow Tie Cinema, one \$50 gift card to Pinocchio's Pizza, one \$50 gift card to Wilton Deli, and four \$25 gift cards to Scoops. In addition to the above prizes, Wilton Hardware donated two \$50 gift cards for us to raffle off allowing us to give away 12 prizes. Everyone loved the prizes and we have received positive feedback on the event. This year's efforts will be a model for future clean up events.