

BOARD OF SELECTMEN REGULAR MEETING
Tuesday December 1, 2020 7:00pm

A virtual meeting of the Board of Selectmen was held on Tuesday, December 1, 2020 via Webex.

Members present: First Selectman Michael Criss - Selectman Evan Brunetti - Selectman Paul Honig.

Attendees: Warren Wilford – Lake Harwinton Association

Call Meeting to Order

Mr. Criss called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Mr. Honig made a motion to approve the minutes from November 17th, 2020 with the amendment that the Executive Session was to discuss the threat of litigation by the Lake Harwinton Association with the letter from the Lake Harwinton Association attached. Mr. Brunetti seconded. All in favor; Motion carries.

- **Appointments and Resignations** – Mr. Criss asked the Board to consider Polly Redmond – Land Use Coordinator, Michael Orefice, Bruce Burnett and Michelle Rewenko for the Affordable Housing Technical Grant Committee; They are all respected members from the Land Use Boards and Commissions. Discussion ensued about getting another member from the public. Mr. Brunetti made a motion to consider and nominate the suggested members for the Affordable Housing Technical Grant Committee. Mr. Honig seconded. All in favor; Motion carries.
- Sharlene Copeland, the Senior Director, requested the appointment of Cathy Canfield to fill a current vacancy and Robin Reid to fill an expired term to the Commission on Aging. And also, to reappoint Marilyn Mitchell and Joanne Jayne to the Commission on Aging. Mr. Brunetti accepted all the recommendations from Sharlene Copeland for the Commission on Aging. Mr. Honig seconded. All in favor. Motion carries.

Public Participation – Mr. Wilford from the Lake Harwinton Association expounded on the letter sent to the Board of Selectmen.

New Business

Request for Tax Refunds – None at this time.

COVID19 Update – Mr. Criss shared:

- The number of COVID-19 cases is now up to 80.
- An uptick averaging 3-5 new cases/week.
- The Town is releasing a PSA in regards to the Modified Reopening which will post on the homepage of website.
- Region #10 plans to close the high school and middle school from December 11th, 2020 until January 4th, 2021.

First Selectman's Report – Mr. Criss updated:

- The Connecticut State Library approved \$40,000 for the generator for the Library. The cost of the generator is about \$84,000. Discussion ensued regarding acceptance of the approved \$40,000 from the Connecticut State Library and to request \$44,000 from the General Fund and to seek approval from Board of Finance and to have this as an item

for the next Town Meeting for the generator for the library. No vote taken and a request for more information at the next selectmen's meeting will be presented.

Correspondence – The Tax Collector sent correspondence regarding a property that had been referred to Adam Cohen for Tax Sale. She is in the process of contacting the abutting property owners. The property is still delinquent. She will share the details and updates with the Board of Selectmen in an upcoming meeting.

Fire Marshall Report.

Executive Session – Personnel/Legal – None at this time.

Adjournment – Mr. Brunetti made a motion to adjourn at 7:24pm. Mr. Honig seconded. All in favor; Motion carries.

Minutes submitted by: First Selectman's Office

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