

## **BOARD OF SELECTMEN REGULAR MEETING**

### **June 21, 2016**

A regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen was held on June 21, 2016 in the Selectmen's Conference Room.

Members present: First Selectman Michael Criss, Selectman Nancy Schnyer, and Selectman Evan Brunetti.

Attendees: none

#### **Call to Order**

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

#### **Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

Mr. Brunetti made a motion to approve minutes from the Pension Trustees meeting held on June 7, 2016 and the regular meeting held on June 7, 2016. Mr. Criss seconded.

#### **Public Participation**

None

#### **Appointments and Resignations**

Jesse Smith resigned from Zoning Board of Appeals effective June 6, 2016. Deborah Kovall resigned as alternate from the Zoning Commission effective June 13, 2016. Mr. Brunetti moved to accept the resignations of Jesse Smith and Deborah Kovall. Ms. Schnyer seconded. All were in favor.

Deborah Maccalous resigned from the Housing Authority effective June 15, 2016. Ms. Schnyer moved to accept resignation of Deborah Maccalous. Mr. Brunetti seconded. Ms. Schnyer moved to appoint Harry Buck to complete term of Ms. Maccalous on the Housing Authority through 12-1-2018. Mr. Brunetti seconded. All were in favor.

#### **New Business**

##### Request for Refund of Property Tax

Ms. Schnyer moved to approve the following tax refund: \$40.36 to Albert Jr. and Kathleen Grauer. Mr. Brunetti seconded. All were in favor.

##### Review Application for Tax Exemption under Tax Incentive Ordinance

The Economic Development Commission received application from Turbo Kits. The EDC recommended a 50% tax abatement for three (3) years on taxes applied to improvements on the property. The Zoning Commission and the Planning Commission reviewed and approved application and recommended it move forward. The Assessor completed inspection at 271 Litchfield Road. The assessed value before improvements is \$106,590. The assessed value after improvements is \$195,790; an increase in value of \$89,200. Mr. Brunetti made a motion to refer application to Board of Finance for their approval and then to Town Meeting. Ms. Schnyer seconded. All were in favor.

Ms. Schnyer moved to amend Ordinance #149; Ordinance Establishing the Harwinton Tax Incentive Program. In section 6, Procedure, #A, the Selectmen would like to remove the word "assessment" in the last sentence. Mr. Brunetti seconded. All were in favor.

Review Blight Ordinance

Upon review, the Selectmen agreed to be the Blight Commission providing they can seek assistance from others as needed. The number of unregistered vehicles allowed on property will be two (2). Regarding a blight appeals board, the Selectmen discussed using the towns' building official, Zoning Enforcement Officer or Torrington Area Health District to look at the property and file a report with the Board of Selectmen. For zoning related issues, the Board suggested using the Zoning Board of Appeals. The Selectmen discussed holding two (2) public hearings on the Blight Ordinance before going to a Town Meeting.

Bogue Road Bridge Project

On April 5, 2016 the Board of Selectmen approved Bogue Road bridge work and referred it to the Board of Finance for approval. The Board of Finance did not approve the work due to some confusion over the amount requested. Mr. Criss and Highway Supervisor John Fredsall will attend the next Board of Finance meeting to discuss the numbers.

Union Negotiations – Executive Session

Mr. Brunetti made a motion to enter into executive session at 7:40 p.m. to discuss union negotiations. Motion was seconded by Ms. Schnyer. All were in favor. Present were Mr. Criss, Mr. Brunetti, and Ms. Schnyer. At 7:49 p.m. Mr. Brunetti moved to exit executive session. Ms. Schnyer seconded. All were in favor. No action taken.

**First Selectman's Report**

Mr. Criss announced there will be an ice cream shop opening soon in Harwinton.

**Correspondence**

None

**Adjournment**

Ms. Schnyer made a motion to adjourn at 7:59 p.m. Mr. Brunetti seconded. All were in favor.

Minutes submitted by \_\_\_\_\_  
Melissa Santoro

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