

BOARD OF SELECTMEN SPECIAL MEETING
May 16, 2012

A special meeting of the Board of Selectmen was held on Tuesday, May 16, 2012 in the Assembly Hall.

Members present: First Selectman Michael Criss, Selectman Jon Truskauskas, and Selectman Frank Chiaramonte

Approximately 25 people were in attendance.

Call to Order

Mr. Criss called the meeting to order at 4:10 p.m.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Mr. Chiaramonte moved to approve the minutes from the meeting held on May 1, 2012. Mr. Truskauskas seconded. All were in favor.

Public Participation

Ann Marie Buonocore inquired about legal representation for boards. Mr. Criss explained that a letter was received from the Zoning Commission and will be voted on.

Appointments and Resignations

None

New Business

Vote to Approve Purchase of 166 Burlington Road for an Ambulance Facility:

Mr. Truskauskas asked several questions that were answered by Attorney Rybak, Pat Savanella with Trinity Insurance and Jason Emery, Chief of the Harwinton Ambulance Association. With regard to use of the property Attorney Rybak referred to Chapter 98 of the Connecticut General Statutes which states- any municipality shall have the power to do any of the following, in addition to all powers granted to municipalities under the constitution and general statutes. One is to acquire property for public purposes and public use. Under public services it specifically states to provide for ambulance services by the municipality or any person, firm or corporation. The Harwinton Ambulance Association is a separately incorporated non stock corporation. Mr. Chiaramonte moved to approve purchase of 166 Burlington Road for an Ambulance Facility. Mr. Criss seconded. Mr. Truskauskas voted no. Motion passed. Resolution authorizing purchase is attached.

Vote to Approve Collection Agency Agreement with Tax Collector: The Selectmen have reviewed the agreement. Changes suggested by Attorney Rybak have been made. Mr. Truskauskas moved to approve the Collection Agency Agreement with the Tax Collector. Mr. Chiaramonte seconded. All were in favor.

Request from Zoning Commission for Outside Legal Counsel:

Mr. Criss stated the town has pending litigation against the Zoning Commission. The Zoning Commission has retained the services of Attorney Stephen Byrne for defense.

A letter dated May 15, 2012 from Zoning requests a stay of proceedings while the Commission addresses their proposal to delete the Buildable Lot Area definition in the Zoning Regulations. Mr. Truskauskas moved to approve request by the Zoning Commission for outside legal counsel. Mr. Chiaramonte seconded. All were in favor.

Vote to rescind vote taken on April 3, 2012 approving Letter of Intent for Harwinton House:

Mr. Truskauskas moved to rescind vote taken on April 3, 2012 approving Letter of Intent for Harwinton House. Mr. Chiaramonte seconded. All were in favor.

Vote to approve revised Letter of Intent for Harwinton House:

Mr. Criss explained that this letter is not a lease agreement. The letter of intent will allow the Historic Society to pursue funding for the house. Mr. Chiaramonte moved to approve revised Letter of Intent for Harwinton House. Mr. Truskauskas seconded. All were in favor.

First Selectman's Report

Mr. Criss reported that a Health and Safety Jamboree will be held at Town Hall on Saturday, June 2, 2012. Many vendors will be present. A band is also scheduled to provide entertainment. The event will run from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Correspondence

The Selectmen reviewed monthly reports for April from the Animal Control Officer and the Fire Marshal.

Adjournment

Mr. Truskauskas moved to adjourn at 4:48 p.m. Mr. Chiaramonte seconded. All were in favor.

Minutes submitted by: _____
Melissa Santoro

TOWN OF HARWINTON
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
SPECIAL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, MAY 16, 2012, 4:00 P.M.

RESOLUTION APPROVING PURCHASE OF 166 BURLINGTON ROAD FOR USE AS AN AMBULANCE FACILITY AND AUTHORIZING THE FIRST SELECTMAN TO SIGN GRANT AND PURCHASE DOCUMENTS.

Pursuant to authorization granted by Special Town Meeting held Tuesday, October 4, 2011, as continued to a referendum vote held October 11, 2011:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Selectmen approves the purchase of 166 Burlington Road for the construction of an ambulance facility to be leased to the Harwinton Ambulance Association, Inc.

RESOLVED, that the Board of Selectmen authorizes Michael R. Criss, First Selectman, to sign the grant closing documents with the Department of Economic and Community Development and the purchase and sale documents with Drake Petroleum Company, Inc.

RESOLVED, that the First Selectman is authorized to take any and all steps and execute any and all documents consistent with the purposes of this resolution.

MOTION BY:

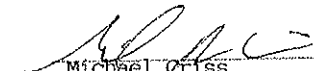

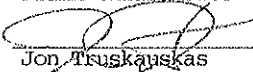
Frank Chiaramonte

SECOND BY:

Michael Criss

VOTING IN FAVOR:

VOTING AGAINST:


Michael Criss

Frank Chiaramonte

Jon Truskaskas

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