

BOARD OF SELECTMEN REGULAR MEETING
December 7th, 2021 7:00pm

A meeting of the Board of Selectmen was held on Tuesday, December 7th, 2021 virtually.

Members present: First Selectman Michael Criss, Selectman Evan Brunetti, Selectman Paul Honig

Call to Order

Mr. Criss called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Minutes of the Previous Meetings

Mr. Honig made a motion to accept the October 19th, 2021 Board of Selectmen Regular Meeting Minutes as written. Mr. Brunetti seconded. Motion carries.

Public Participation – None at this time.

Appointments and Resignations – Mr. Criss shared the list of the Appointments for November 2021. The list includes:

- **Assessor** – Michele Dasilva
- **Town Counsel** – Mike Rybak
- **Blight Commission** – Betsy Bosco, Robert Barry
- **Commission on Aging** – Joan Cominotti, Sandra Alexander
- **Economic Development Commission** – Noreen Saska, Leisa Zadrick
- **Tree Warden** – Dave Bousquet
- **Public Works Director** – Dave Bousquet
- **Recreation Commission** – Daren K. Brown, John Goodno
- **Town Depository** – Thomaston Savings Bank
- **Housing Authority** – Charlotte Mochak
- **Historic District** – Carole Romano, Greg Marshall, Powers Booth
- **Planning Commission** – Mike Rewenko
- **SubRegistrar** – Keith Phalen - Phelan Funeral Home, Timothy Cook

Mr. Brunetti made a motion to approve all seats submitted by the Town Clerk and the Historic District. Mr. Honig seconded. All in favor; Motion carries.

New Business

- **Request for Tax Refunds** – There are five (5) Tax Refunds totaling \$1,229.74. Mr. Honig made a motion to approve the Tax Refunds. Mr. Brunetti seconded. All in favor; Motion carries. Mr. Criss read a letter submitted by the Tax Collector regarding insufficient funds. Mr. Honig made a motion to wave the fees for \$14.95 for insufficient funds from the Tax Collector. Mr. Brunetti seconded. All in favor; Motion carries.
- **Public Works Truck** – Mr. Criss gave a summary of the accident that happened. Discussion ensued.
- **Transit District** – Mr. Criss shared with the Board that the Transit District is requesting ARPA money in the amount of \$10,000 to help offset their loss for Covid.
- **Tele-communications Contracts** – Mr. Criss went over the tele-communications contracts with the Board. The contracts are reviewed and renewed every 5 years. Two (2) contracts came in: Connecticut Communications and Total Communications. Discussion ensued. Mr. Honig Made a motion to accept the Connecticut Communications contract for \$38,000 including contingency and to move it to the Board of Finance for final approval. Mr. Brunetti seconded. All in favor; Motion carries.

- **Flooring Bids - Locip** – Mr. Criss went over the flooring bids with the Board for both the Town Hall and the Library. The bids were reviewed. Discussion ensued. Mr. Honig made a motion to table this item until the next meeting. Mr. Brunetti seconded. All in favor; Motion carries.
- **Town Meeting** – This will be voted on at the next meeting.

First Selectman's Report

- **BOS 2022 Meeting Schedule** – Mr. Criss presented the Board of Selectmen meeting schedule for 2022. Mr. Honig made a motion to accept it. Mr. Brunetti seconded. All in favor; Motion carries.
- **The Affordable Housing Plan** – Mr. Criss presented the Affordable Housing Plan with the Board. Discussion ensued.
- **Wintergreen Housing Authority** – Mr. Criss presented a letter submitted by Wintergreen Housing Authority. Discussion ensued.
- **Lake Harwinton Association** – Mr. Criss shared the current updates with the Lake Harwinton issues. Discussion ensued. Mr. Brunetti made a motion for Mr. Criss to draft a letter of denial in response to Warren Wilford's letter based on insufficient evidence on statute 8-39. Mr. Honig seconded. All in favor; Motion carries.

Correspondence – The Tax Collector submitted a summary of the Tax Sale.

Executive Session – Personnel/Legal – Nothing at this time.

Adjourn – Mr. Brunetti made a motion to adjourn at 8:12 pm. Mr. Honig seconded. All in favor; Motion carries.

Submitted by: Office of the First Selectman

