

BOARD OF SELECTMEN REGULAR MEETING
February 1st, 2022 7:00pm

A meeting of the Board of Selectmen was held on Tuesday, February 1st, 2022 in the Assembly Hall and Virtually.

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

Attendees: Atty. Michael Rybak – town attorney, Atty. Michael Rybak, Jr. – town attorney, David Bousquet – Public Works Director, Paul Rosin – Lake Harwinton Association President, Lake Harwinton Association – Board Members.

Call to Order

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

Minutes of the Previous Meetings

Mr. Brunetti made a motion to accept the January 15th, 2022 Board of Selectmen Regular Meeting Minutes as written. Mr. Honig seconded. Motion carries.

Public Participation – None.

Appointments and Resignations – A resignation was submitted by Amanda DelMonte from the Senior Housing Authority, effective immediately. Mr. Brunetti made a motion to accept the resignation from Amanda DelMonte. Mr. Honig seconded. All in favor; Motion carries.

New Business

- **Lake Harwinton Association** – Mr. Criss opened the floor for Mr. Paul Rosin to speak on behalf of the Lake Harwinton Association (LHA). Mr. Rosin, the President of the LHA, shared his concern for the maintenance of all roads that are part of the Lake Harwinton Association. Discussion ensued. Mr. Criss suggested that if the LHA needs guidance to upgrade their roads that they may look into hiring an engineer that is familiar with the DOT guidelines regarding the Lake Harwinton roads and pass ways. Atty. Rybak shared the history of roads for Lake Harwinton. He also shared that there are very specific regulations that all developers and landowners have to follow, and that these regulations also determine safety and liability of the town. First step, if the LHA would like to propose a road to be accepted as a town highway, the services of a licensed engineer who will prepare maps and specifications, is required. LHA Board members asked questions. Discussion ensued. Mr. Bousquet recommended improving on what they already have, as a cost-effective way to find the right contractors to help the LHA upgrade their roads and pass ways. Mr. Criss asked how much money the LHA actually invests in the pass ways it owns and how much money they budget their infrastructure. Discussion ensued.
- **Request for Tax Refunds** – There are seven (7) Tax Refunds totaling \$1,444.45. Mr. Honig made a motion to approve the Tax Refunds. Mr. Brunetti seconded. All in favor; Motion carries. Mr. Criss read a letter submitted to the BOS from the Tax Collector.
- **Hazard Mitigation Resolution** – Mr. Criss followed up with the Board. The Board reviewed the copies of the Hazard Mitigation Plan sent to them. Mr. Brunetti made a motion to accept and sign the Hazard Mitigation Resolution. Mr. Honig seconded. All in favor; Motion carries.
- **Town Meeting** – The Annual Town Warning is ready for the Board of Selectman to sign and send over to the Board of Finance. The meeting is scheduled for February 22, 2022 at 7:00 pm. Mr. Brunetti made a motion to finalize the call and to forward it to the Board of Finance. Mr. Honig seconded. All in favor; Motion carries.

First Selectman's Report

- **Budget – 2022/2023** – Mr. Criss is planning to have the budget ready before the next BOS meeting for their review and to schedule Budget Workshop Meetings. Mr. Criss also stated that the electronic version of the audit was received and that he would email them both a copy.

Correspondence – Nothing at this time.

Executive Session – Personnel/Legal – Mr. Brunetti made a motion to go into Executive Session at 7:46 pm. Mr. Honig seconded. All in favor motion carries. Mr. Honig made a motion to come out of Executive Session at 7:49 pm. Mr. Brunetti seconded. All in favor; Motion carries.

Adjourn – Mr. Brunetti made a motion to adjourn at 7:51 pm. Mr. Honig seconded. All in favor; Motion carries.

Submitted by: Office of the First Selectman

