

BOARD OF SELECTMEN SPECIAL MEETING
Tuesday April 24, 2018 7:00pm

A meeting of the Board of Selectmen was held on Tuesday, April 24, 2018 in the selectmen's conference room.

Members present: First Selectman Michael Criss, Selectman Rick Fowler, Selectman Evan Brunetti.

Attendees: Bill Buys Sr., Dan Thurston, Gary Schaff – Veteran's Committee; Josie Albertson Grove – Republican American

Call to Order

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

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Mr. Brunetti made a motion to approve the previous minutes. Mr. Criss seconded. All in favor. Motion carries.

Appointments and Resignations

George Nash has resigned from the Board of Finance.

Public Participation – Veteran's Committee – see below.

New Business

Request for Tax Refunds – None at this time.

The Call – Mr. Criss provided a rough draft of the Call. Atty. Rybak needs to finalize it. Items on the Call include:

- 1) The Region School District #10, in the total amount of \$18,809,281.00.
- 2) To consider & act on a Resolution authorizing the Town to enter into an Interlocal Agreement.
- 3) To authorize the BOS to apply for and expend State LoCIP grant funds.
- 4) As recommended by the Planning Commission and the BOF to authorize the BOS to sell the Wilcox Property.
- 5) To consider and act on the Ordinance Concerning Interlocal Agreements.
- 6) To consider and act on an Ordinance Amending Land Use Fees.

Mr. Brunetti made a motion to approve the call to be finalized and drafted by Atty. Rybak. Mr. Fowler seconded. All in favor. Motion carries.

Veteran's Memorial – The Veteran's Committee presented information on renovating the existing Veteran's Memorial. Mr. Schaff spoke about what the current memorial has included on it which is: WW I, WW II, Korea and Vietnam. It is physically deteriorating. It has errors, omission and misspellings. In addition to those issues it is not complete. The Committee would like to do a memorial that covers the Revolutionary War to the wars that are currently going on in the Middle East. The Committee has been working on this project for a couple of years. The plan is to put the new one where it currently is and

move the existing one to the Town Hall campus. There is grant money as well as fund-raising money for the project, but there is still a need for financing. The Committee is also looking for donations from local contractors as well as looking for state revitalization money (LoCip). Once the final design is done and the bid specs are done there will be a public hearing, there will be modifications made to it after the hearing, then the final draft goes to meeting. Mr. Criss asked the committee to research to see how many other towns have updated their memorials and if any have included 9/11. Mr. Fowler made a motion to approve the process of the Veteran's Memorial. Mr. Brunetti seconded. All in favor. Motion carries.

First Selectman's Report - There are some DOT concerns about the Route 72 & Route 4 intersection. Traffic studies have been conducted. Chris Smith from DOT has reached out to say that they are concluding their study; we should get a final report from them soon for review. This report will determine if we need to have a light at that intersection. The other request for investigation is the re-positioning of the mirror on Huntington Drive.

Mr. Criss suggested the selectmen look at Ordinance 106, an Ordinance Establishing the Town of Harwinton Emergency Services Volunteer's Benefit Program, to consider discontinuing it at the next Annual Town Meeting (2019).

Mr. Criss ran the new numbers for ECS. Originally, we were supposed to get \$2,510,000, with the Governor's hold backs we were then at \$2,285,000, and now we are back where the original number was; if it happens to end up at the original number it will help with the mill rate. The Youth Service Awards was Monday night (April 24th) – this was the first year there was an entire Girl Scout Troop nominated to receive an award.

Correspondence – None.

Executive Session – Legal – Mr. Brunetti made a motion to go into Executive Session for purposes of legal and personnel at 7:47pm. Mr. Fowler seconded. All were in favor. Motion carries. Mr. Fowler made a motion to come out of Executive Session at 8:00. Mr. Brunetti seconded. All in favor. Motion carries. No action taken

Adjournment – Mr. Brunetti made a motion to adjourn at 8:01pm. Mr. Fowler seconded. All in favor. Motion carries.

Minutes submitted by _____
Jen Minery

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