

**TOWN OF SOMERS  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES  
Thursday, April 12, 2012  
3:00pm  
Selectmen's Conference Room**

**Call to Order:** First Selectman Lisa Pellegrini called the Board of Selectmen meeting to order at 3:04pm.

**Members Present:** First Selectman Lisa Pellegrini, Selectmen Kathy Devlin and Bud Knorr.

**Executive Session – Proposed Land Acquisitions**

*Mrs. Devlin made a motion to go into Executive Session, seconded by Mr. Knorr. A unanimous vote followed.*

Individuals present in Executive session were First Selectman Lisa Pellegrini, Selectmen Kathy Devlin and Bud Knorr, Jeff Bord - Town Engineer, Todd Rolland - Deputy Director of Public Works, Carl Landolina - Town Attorney, Kim LaFleur-Operations Manager and Culver Modisette- President of the Northern CT Land Trust. Executive Session ended at 4:35pm

**Rt. 190 and Sokol Road Resolution and Agreement:**

Mrs. Pellegrini requested a resolution granting her authorization from the Board of Selectmen to sign the construction agreements with the CT DOT for the intersection improvements at 9<sup>th</sup> District Road and Sokol Road.

*Mrs. Devlin made a motion to approve a resolution authorizing Mrs. Pellegrini to sign any and all documents relating to the Intersection improvements at 9<sup>th</sup> District Road and Sokol Road, seconded by Mr. Knorr. A unanimous decision followed.*

**Central Corridor Rail Resolution:**

Mrs. Pellegrini received an email from Blake Lamothe, Project Manager of the Central Corridor Rail Coalition requesting a resolution of support from the Town of Somers regarding the Central Corridor Rail Line.

*Mrs. Devlin made a motion to approve a resolution supporting the Central Corridor Rail Line authorizing Mrs. Pellegrini to sign the Resolution, seconded by Mr. Knorr. A unanimous vote followed.*

**Recording Secretary:**

Mrs. Pellegrini requested approval from the Board of Selectmen to hire Jeanne Reed as the Part-time Recording Secretary for Boards/Commissions pending a background check.

*Mrs. Devlin made a motion to approve the hiring of Jeanne Reed for the position of the part-time recording secretary, seconded by Mr. Knorr. A unanimous vote followed.*

**CT Task Force One Urban Search & Rescue Team Volunteer:**

Mrs. Pellegrini stated a member of the Fire Department had requested permission from the Town to apply to the State of Connecticut Department of Emergency Management and Homeland Security Urban Search and Rescue Task Force as a volunteer task force member. After a lengthy discussion the Board of Selectmen came to the decision they could not support the application at this time due to the extremely short notice which did not enable the Board to allow sufficient review of the responsibilities of the Town in the agreement with the State, the fiscal impact to the Town and the Fire Department and possible liability to the Town and the Fire Department, especially in the event of death or serious disability to the applicant. Mrs. Pellegrini would have also preferred sufficient time to discuss this application with the Fire Chief and members of the career staff to determine what type of plan were to be needed in the event the applicant was activated.

**Adjournment:**

*Mrs. Pellegrini made a motion to adjourn the Board of Selectmen meeting at 5:05pm, seconded by Mr. Knorr. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned.*

Respectfully Submitted,

Kim LaFleur-Recording

*Minutes are not official until accepted at a subsequent meeting.*