

**TOWN OF SOMERS  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA  
Thursday, March 8, 2012  
6:00pm  
Selectmen's Conference Room**

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**Call to Order:** First Selectman Lisa Pellegrini called the Board of Selectman meeting to order at 6:00pm.

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

**Pledge of Allegiance:** All members participated in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Opportunity to add agenda items:**

**HelioSage Solar Panel Project:**

Mrs. Pellegrini shared with the Board of Selectmen the details of a meeting she had with representatives from HelioSage regarding the solar panel project on private property off Rout 83. It is a \$15,000,000 project that will generate power for 600 homes. The power generated will go into the grid. The CT Siting Council has jurisdiction over the project however, the Council is open to comments from the Planning and Zoning Commissions.

**Town Charter Review Committee:**

Mrs. Pellegrini asked the Selectmen if they were interested in beginning the Charter Review Process. Ann Logan, Town Clerk was asked to join the meeting. The number of members needed for the committee and the time process were briefly discussed. The Selectmen were interested in starting the process and Mrs. Pellegrini will confirm the process details with the Town Clerk and follow up with the Selectmen at a future meeting.. Mrs. Pellegrini asked the Board of Selectmen to think about who would be well suited to serve on this committee.

**Summer Camp:**

Mrs. Devlin commented on the Summer Camp sign ups and recommended delegating some of that work that is involved with sign ups to other staff members, specifically the Police Administrative Assistant. Mrs. Pellegrini had talked to the Resident State Trooper about this and they are happy to help.

**Correspondence:**

**WPCA Operator Position:**

Mrs. Pellegrini received an email from the Steve Jacobs, Town Sanitarian stating the WPCA voted unanimously to hire Mr. Timothy Webb for the part-time Operator position at the Somersville water Pollution Control Facility, with a start date of 3/19/12 pending a background check. The WPCA is requesting the Selectmen confirm the hiring. Due to the nature of the job the Selectmen would like verification that Mr. Webb has notified his full time employer of the job with Somers. Pending receipt of the background check and the verification documentation the Selectmen approve the hiring of Mr. Webb.

**American Red Cross Ceremony:**

Mrs. Pellegrini announced that the Frank Falcone, Deputy Fire Chief and Firefighter Keith Burger will be receiving their Firemen Red Cross Hero Awards at the American Red Cross Award Breakfast on March 15, 2012 beginning at 7:30 am; Mrs. Pellegrini regretrfully is unable to attend the award ceremony but asked the Board of Selectmen if they were available to attend. The Selectmen are very proud of the Deputy Chief Falcone and Firefighter Burger.

**Public Hearing Testimony at the Capitol**

**Municipal Revenue / Pubic Health:**

Mrs. Pellegrini shared with the Board of Selectmen copies of her public hearing testimonies regarding Municipal Revenue Sharing, as well as Senate Bill SB 277, An Act Establishing a Council to Promote Collaboration Between Local Health Departments and the Department of Public Health.

**Budget Review:**

A list of roads projects to be funded by LoCIP funds in FY2011/2012 was reviewed.

*Mr. Knorr made a motion to add the following roads projects to the Town of Somers Capital*

*Improvements Roads Project List:*

<i>Reconstruction of 0.15 miles of Durkee Road</i>	<i>\$14,000</i>
<i>Reconstruction of 0.19 miles of Fox Hollow Road</i>	<i>\$14,500</i>
<i>Crack Sealing of Somers Town Roads</i>	<i>\$50,000</i>
<i>Gulf Road Cross Culvert Rehabilitation Drainage Work</i>	<i>\$46,500</i>
<i>Parker Road Storm Drainage Work</i>	<i>\$75,000</i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>\$200,000</i>

*Seconded by Mrs. Devlin. A unanimous decision followed.*

**Risk Management:**

Mrs. Pellegrini announced that she had a meeting with Roy Ivans, Risk Management Consultant. Mrs. Pellegrini and Mr. Ivins are working together to determine the potential need and cost of pollution insurance for underground storage tanks. Mrs. Pellegrini is working with the Town and the School to compile a complete list of fuel storage tanks both above and below ground. Mr. Ivins is also analyzing Workers Comp costs between the Town and the Board of Education.

**CROG Emergency Management Handouts:**

Mrs. Pellegrini gave copies of the CROG Emergency Management Handouts First Hour Checklist to the Board of Selectmen.

**Authorization of Scheduled Payments.**

*Mrs. Devlin made a motion to approve the authorization of scheduled payments for the sum of \$212,696.67, seconded by Mr. Knorr. A unanimous decision followed*

**Appropriations/Transfers:** None

**Adjournment:**

*Mrs. Pellegrini made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:50pm, seconded by Mrs. Devlin, the motion passed and the Board of Selectmen meeting was adjourned.*

Respectfully Submitted,

Kim LaFleur-Recording

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