

**TOWN OF SOMERS
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, March 7, 2013
6:00pm
Selectmen's Conference Room**

Call to Order: First Selectman, Lisa Pellegrini called meeting to order at 6:00pm.

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

Pledge of Allegiance:

All members participated in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Opportunity to add agenda items: None

Selectmen's Update:

Building Fees:

The Board of Selectmen discussed raising Building use fees for the Kibbe Fuller Gazebo, Field Road Pavilion and Connors Gazebo at Field Road.

Mr. Knorr made a motion to raise the building use fees to \$50 for the first 4 hours and \$50 for each additional hour, seconded by Mrs. Devlin. A unanimous vote followed.

Community Outreach:

Mrs. Pellegrini updated the Board of Selectmen on the projects funded through the \$10,000 USA Community Outreach funding. The following have been completed.

\$8,279.14 - Senior Center flooring.

\$200.00 - Veterans Markers for Girl Scout Gold Project.

Money was not needed for the Senior Center Sound System as the system was fixed.

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to allocate \$300.00 for the Veteran's Markers Girl Scout Gold Project as well as \$300.00 to the Four Town Fair for the 100th Anniversary of the Fair, seconded by Mr. Knorr. A unanimous vote followed.

Batting Cages:

After following up with the Risk Manager and CIRMA regarding the proposed Little League batting cages; Mrs. Pellegrini shared their concerns with the Board of Selectmen. There are no concerns regarding the batting cage itself; however the automatic feeder is not recommended due to liability issues regarding the possibility of untrained personnel operating the system and potential for injuries. The cages would be insurable with CIRMA. The batting cages will be maintained and managed by the Little League association. Residents may use the batting cages but will need to make reservations for use through Little League. There will not be a charge for the use. Mrs. Pellegrini will be sending out proposed changes to the Building Policy to the Risk Manager for review and will be voted on at a future meeting. The need for an insurance waiver will also be discussed.

Mrs. Devlin made a motion based on the information provided by CIRMA and the Risk Manager to allow construction of the batting cage on the condition that an automatic ball pitcher machine NOT be installed, acknowledging that the batting cage will be managed and maintained by the Little League Association, seconded by Mr. Knorr. A unanimous vote followed.

Correspondence:

Boards and Commissions:

Mrs. Pellegrini received an email from Cultural Commission Chairwoman Linda Abbott recommending Kyle Charette be appointed to Cultural Commission.

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to appoint Kyle Charette as a full member of the Cultural Commission with a term expiring on 12/22/13, seconded by Mr. Knorr. A unanimous vote followed.

Mrs. Pellegrini received an email from David Pinney requesting the appointment of Mary Lou Hasting to the Housing Authority Commission.

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to appoint Mary Lou Hastings to the Housing Authority Commission with a term expiring on 12/22/2014, seconded by Mr. Knorr. A unanimous vote followed.

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to appoint Sarah Martin as an alternate to the Economic Development Commission with a term expiring on 12/22/15, seconded by Mr. Knorr. A unanimous vote followed.

2/13/14 Budget:

The Board reviewed and discussed the FY 2013/14 budget.

Transfers/Appropriations:

Transfers:

Department: Somersville Assessment

Transfer To:

General Fund	100-0000-000-1135-1-02	\$8,700.00
Advance to Somersville Assessment		

Transfer From:

Somersville Assessment	227-0000-000-1233-2-00	<u>\$8,700.00</u>
Advance from GF		\$8,700.00

Department: WPCA

Transfer To:

General Fund	100-0010-007-0844-4-01	\$3,600.00
Misc Revenue		

Transfer From:

Somersville Sewer	225-0000-000-0344-5-00	\$2,990.00
Maple Ridge	226-0000-000-0334-5-01	<u>\$ 610.00</u>
		\$3,600.00

Department: Water Assess

Transfer To:

General Fund	100-0000-000-0201-0-00	\$7898.22
Due from Water		

Transfer From:

Water Fund	280-0000-000-0201-0-00	\$7872.00 hook ups
Due to GF		<u>\$ 26.22 liens</u>
		\$7898.22

Mr. Knorr made a motion to approve the above listed transfers, seconded by Mrs. Devlin. A unanimous vote followed.

Authorization of Scheduled Payments: None

Approval of Minutes:

Special Board of Selectmen meeting 1/23/13

Special Board of Selectmen meeting 2/13/13

Special Board of Selectmen meeting 2/14/13

Special Board of Selectmen meeting 2/20/13

Special Board of Selectmen meeting 2/21/13

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to approve the above Board of Selectmen meeting minutes, seconded by Mrs. Pellegrini. The motion passed.

Adjournment:

Mrs. Pellegrini made a motion to adjourn the Board of Selectmen meeting at 7:00pm, seconded by Mrs. Devlin. A unanimous vote followed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kim LaFleur-Recording

Minutes are not official until accepted at a subsequent meeting.