

**TOWN OF SOMERS
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, May 14, 2015
6:00pm
Selectmen's Conference Room**

Call to Order: First Selectman Lisa Pellegrini called the meeting to order at 6:07pm.

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

Members Present:

First Selectman Lisa Pellegrini, Selectmen Kathy Devlin and Bud Knorr. Also in attendance: Michael Marinaccio-CFO and Brian Wissinger-Accountant and three interested residents.

Opportunity to Add Agenda Items:

Ms. Devlin asked about Social Services visiting the All Saints Food Bank on Thursdays. Ms. LaFleur stated that Christina Cenac has been attending on Thursday for those who need assistance.

Cemetery Landscaping Contract Award:

Ms. Pellegrini received an email from the CFO stating the Cemetery Commission met after reviewing additional information and is now recommending that Guzie Landscaping be awarded the Cemetery Landscaping contract.

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to approve the recommendation by the Cemetery Commission to award the Cemetery Landscaping contract to Guzie Landscaping, seconded by Mr. Knorr. A unanimous vote followed.

Somersville Mill Environmental Engineering Services Contract Award:

Ms. Pellegrini received an email from the Town Engineer stating the Selection Committee had met and recommends GEI Consultants be awarded the Somersville Mill Environmental Engineering Services Contract Award.

Mrs. Devlin made motion to approve the recommendation by the Selection Committee and award GEI Consultants the Somersville Mill Environmental Engineering Services Contract Award, seconded by Mr. Knorr. A unanimous vote followed.

Boards & Commissions – Appointment:

Ms. Pellegrini received an email from ZBA Chairman Dean Hills recommending Sue Peck to be appointed to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Mr. Knorr made a motion to appoint Ms. Sue Peck as a full member of the Zoning Board of Appeals with a term expiration of 12/22/2018, seconded by Mrs. Devlin. A unanimous vote followed.

Staffing:

Ms. Pellegrini regretfully informed the Selectmen that Wetlands Agent David Askew is leaving the North Central Conservation District to pursue another job opportunity. The Board agreed that Mr. Askew has been both a great asset and a great working partner to the Town for over 20 years and will be greatly missed. Ms. Joanne Shapiro from the North Central Conservation District will be taking his place in Somers on May 26, 2015 and the Selectmen formally welcome Ms. Shapiro.

Camp Ayapo Strategic Committee Appointments and Committee Charges:

The Board discussed in depth the role of this new committee, as well as its charges and membership.

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to create a new Committee called the Camp Ayapo Strategic Committee. This Committee will function as an Advisory Committee to the Board of Selectmen and in starting out the Committee's main charges will be:

- 1. To analyze, assess and determine a usage plan for the Camp Ayapo Property*
- 2. Recommend a preservation and usage plan for the buildings and structures located at Camp Ayapo*

Seconded by Mr. Knorr. A unanimous vote followed.

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to appoint the following individuals to the Camp Ayapo Strategic Committee beginning with a one year term expiring 12/22/2016 and then to consider staggering the appointments thereafter, seconded by Mr. Knorr. A unanimous vote followed.

Members:

Tom Van Tassel

Timothy Welch

Bradley Pellessier

Barbara Capuano

Michelle Young

Paul Rasid

Rob Hartman

Lucas Cherry

Patricia Loftus

Christopher Boucher

Staff Liaisons:

Jeff Bord

Bruce Urbon

Transfers/Appropriations: None

Authorization of Scheduled Payments:

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to approve the authorization of scheduled payments in the amount of \$225,892.96, seconded by Mr. Knorr. A unanimous vote followed.

Minutes:

March 19 Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes

April 16 Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes

Mr. Knorr made a motion to approve both the March 19th, 2015 and the April 16th, 2015 Board of Selectmen meeting minutes, seconded by Mrs. Devlin. A unanimous vote followed.

April 30 Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes

Mr. Knorr made a motion to approve the April 30th, 2015 Board of Selectmen meeting minutes, seconded by Ms. Pellegrini. A unanimous vote followed.

Adjournment:

Mr. Knorr made a motion to adjourn the Board of Selectmen meeting at 6:43pm, seconded by Mrs. Devlin. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kim LaFleur-Recording

Minutes are not official until accepted at a subsequent meeting.