

**TOWN OF SOMERS
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, February 18, 2016
6:00pm
Selectmen's Conference Room**

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

Members Present: First Selectman Lisa Pellegrini and Selectmen Kathy Devlin and Bud Knorr. Also in attendance were CFO Michael Marinaccio, Senior Accountant Brian Wissinger and Fire Chief John Roache.

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

Opportunity to Add Agenda Items:

Ms. Pellegrini wished to add the following items: Grant to Support Local Prevention Council and 2016 STEAP Grant for Police Station Parking Lot.

Grant to Support Local Prevention Council:

Ms. Pellegrini requested authorization to sign the Grant to Support Local Prevention Council.

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to approve First Selectmen Pellegrini to sign the Grant to Support Local Prevention Council, seconded by Mr. Knorr. A unanimous vote followed.

2016 STEAP Grant – Police Station Parking Lot:

Ms. Pellegrini requested authorization to accept and sign the 2016 STEAP Grant for the Police Station Parking Lot and authorize her to sign all associated documents.

Town Clerk Ann Marie Logan joined the Board of Selectmen meeting at this time to notarize the 2016 STEAP Grant documents and witness signatures.

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to accept the 2015 STEAP Grant for improvements to the police station parking lot in the amount of \$165,000 and to approve a resolution authorizing First Selectman Lisa Pellegrini to sign all and any necessary grant documents including, but not limited to: The Assistance Agreement By and Between the State of CT Acting by the Department of Economic and Community Development and the Town of Somers, The Declaration of Restrictive Covenant, the Budget and the Non Discrimination Certification, seconded by Mr. Knorr. A unanimous vote followed.

Selectmen's Update:

Police Interview Panel: Ms. Pellegrini requested approval for the following individuals to serve on the Police Interview Panel: Kim Littig, Lt. Jose Claudio, Selectman Kathy Devlin and Lt. Tom Duncan.

Mr. Knorr made a motion to approve the following individuals to serve on the Police Interview Panel. The members include Kim Littig, Lt. Jose Claudio, Selectman Kathy Devlin and Lt. Tom Duncan, seconded by Ms. Pellegrini. A unanimous vote followed.

Somerville Mill Brownfield Grant kickoff Meeting:

Ms. Pellegrini was pleased to announce that the Brownfield Grant Kick Off Meeting with officials from DEEP and the DECD is scheduled for Tuesday February 23, 2016 at 1:30pm to discuss the remediation grant process. Ms. Pellegrini also requested that the Selectmen accept the Somerville Mill Brownfield Remediation Grant and asked for authorization to sign all associated grant documents.

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to accept the Somersville Mill Brownfield Remediation Grant in the amount of \$1.8 million and to authorize First Selectmen Lisa Pellegrini to sign any and all documents associated with the Grant, seconded by Mr. Knorr. A unanimous vote followed.

Local Traffic Authority – 2016 Praxair Bike MS Ride on June 5, 2016:

Ms. Pellegrini received an email from Lt Jose Claudio recommending approval for the 2016 Praxair Bike MS Ride on June 5, 2016.

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to authorize Local Traffic Authority Approval for the 2016 Praxair Bike MS Ride on June 5, 2016, seconded by Mr. Knorr. A unanimous vote followed.

Replacing Pedestrian Signs:

Ms. Pellegrini received notification that the State of CT Department of Transportation is planning to replace existing pedestrian signing and associated subplates with new yellow retro-reflective warning signs with yellow post delineators at all un-signalized and midblock marked crosswalks on state routes throughout Somers and does not anticipate that an information meeting or formal public hearing will be necessary for this project due to the limited nature of the proposed work. Ms. Pellegrini asked the Selectmen if they agreed and if so she requested authorization to sign the notice that neither a public information meeting nor a public hearing is need for the replacement of the pedestrian signs.

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to authorize First Selectman Lisa Pellegrini to sign the notice that neither a public information meeting nor a public hearing is need for the replacement of the pedestrian signs, seconded by Mr. Knorr. A unanimous vote followed.

Boards & Commissions:

Somersville Mill Strategic Planning Committee:

The Selectmen discussed continuing the Somersville Mill Strategic Planning Committee now that a major grant has been obtained and also reconstituting the committee by adding additional members to fulfill new charges. Ms. Pellegrini recommends keeping the existing Somersville Mill Strategic Planning Ad Hoc Committee members and appointing two additional members, Evan Plotkin and Joseph Iadarola, to the committee.

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to appoint Evan Plotkin and Joseph Iadarola to the Somersville Mill Strategic Planning Ad Hoc Committee, seconded by Mr. Knorr. A unanimous vote followed.

Agreement By and Between Town of Enfield & Town of Somers Regarding Paramedic Intercept Services:

Chief Roach attended the meeting to answer any questions the Selectmen may have regarding the above agreement. Chief Roache recommends signing the agreement.

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to authorize First Selectman Lisa Pellegrini to sign the Agreement by and Between the Town of Enfield & Town of Somers Regarding Paramedic Intercept Services, seconded by Mr. Knorr. A unanimous vote followed.

MOU Between State of CT Dept. of Emergency Services & Public Protection Division of State Police & Town of Somers Fire Department regarding License to use Telecommunications Facility located at Shenipsit State Park, Soapstone Mountain in Somers CT:

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to approve First Selectman Lisa Pellegrini to sign the MOU based on the approval of the Town Attorney and Chief Roache's favorable review the document, seconded by Mr. Knorr. A unanimous vote followed.

2016/2017 Budget: 2016/2017 Budget is ongoing.

CIP:

CFO Michael Marinaccio presented the Capital Project Requests for fiscal year 2017.

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to approve the attached Capital projects Requests List for Fiscal Year 2017 and forward to the CIP Committee for approval, seconded by Mr. Knorr. A unanimous vote followed.

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to authorize First Selectman Lisa Pellegrini to sign the following Town CIP requests;

Radar Message Sign for Speed Enforcement \$ 15,000

E85 Excavator & Trailer (Backhoe Replacement) \$110,000

Combination Snow Plow/Sander Dump Truck Replacement \$125,000

5 complete sets of Firefighter Personal Protective Equipment \$20,000

Install a keyless entry system for the fire station \$8,200

On Spot Tire Chains for Squad146 \$5,000

Thermal Imager \$8,700

Town Server Upgrade \$70,000

Seconded by Mr. Knorr. A unanimous vote followed.

Authorization of Scheduled Payments:

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to approve the authorization of scheduled payments in the amount of 62,151.97, seconded by Mr. Knorr. A unanimous vote followed.

Transfers and Appropriations: None

Approval of Minutes:

Regular Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes February 2, 2016 at 1:00pm.

Regular Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes February 4, 2016 at 1:00pm.

Regular Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes February 9, 2016 at 1:00pm.

Regular Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes February 11, 2016 at 1:00pm.

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to approve the February 2, February 4, February 9, February 11 Board of Selectmen meeting minutes, seconded by Mr. Knorr. A unanimous vote followed.

Adjournment:

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to adjourn the Board of Selectmen meeting at 6:55pm, seconded by Ms. Pellegrini. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kim LaFleur-Recording

Minutes are not official until accepted at a subsequent meeting.

Capital Projects Requests Fiscal Year 2017

	<u>Project Cost</u>	<u>Purchase Price Per Group</u>	<u>Lease Cost</u>
<u>Town Government</u>			
Light Equipment			
BOE Van	\$ 25,000		
Radar Sign	\$ 15,500		
Total Light Equipment		<u>\$ 40,500</u>	N/A
Heavy Equipment			
Excavator	\$ 110,000		
Dump Truck w/ Plow & Sander	\$ 125,000		
Total Heavy Equipment (As Lease)		<u>\$ 235,000</u>	<u>\$ 49,369</u>
Infrastructure Improvements			
Bunker Gear	\$ 20,000		
Keyless Entry Fire Dept	\$ 8,200		
Tire Chains Fire Dept	\$ 5,000		
Thermal Imager	\$ 8,700		
Server Upgrade	\$ 70,000		
Total Infrastructure Improvements		<u>\$ 111,900</u>	N/A
Leases			
School Roofs	\$ 19,300		
FY2016 Dump Truck & Loader	\$ 66,309		
Total Leases		<u>\$ 85,609</u>	N/A
Discretionary			
Board of Education	\$ 50,000		
Town	\$ 50,000		
Total Discretionary		<u>\$ 100,000</u>	N/A
Total Requests			<u><u>\$ 387,378</u></u>