

**TOWN OF SOMERS
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES
Thursday, December 15, 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, Director of Recreation Chris Boucher and Somers Police Lt Jose Claudio.

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

Somers Community Interest Survey initiative:

Chris Boucher-Director of Recreation presented a proposal for a Somers Community Interest Survey for Recreation Planning and recommended the Town hire Directive Analytics to perform the survey. He stated the Recreation Commission supports the initiative.

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to contract with Directive Analytics to perform a Community Interest Survey not to exceed \$10,000, seconded by Mr. Knorr. A unanimous vote followed.

Police Administrator Payroll Policy:

The Board began discussion on of the Police Administrator Payroll Policy. It was tabled for further review and discussion.

Mr. Knorr made a motion to temporarily allow Lt. Claudio to take home his Town Police Car until further notice, seconded by Mrs. Devlin. A unanimous vote followed.

Town Informational Meeting Regarding the Reported Coyote Sightings:

Ms. Pellegrini informed the Board that Lt. Claudio, along with Town of Somers Animal Control Officers and DEEP Officials will be presenting an informational meeting for residents with regards to the reported Coyote sightings due to the interest in the community. The Coyote Informational meeting will take place on December 20th at 6:30 pm at the Somers Fire Department.

Local Traffic Authority – National MS Society 36th Annual Bike Ride on June 4, 2017.

Ms. Pellegrini received a letter from Lt. Claudio recommending the Local Traffic Authority approval for the National MS Society 36th Annual Bike Ride on June 4, 2017.

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to accept the recommendation and grant Local Traffic Authority Approval for the National MS Society 36th Annual Bike Ride on June 4, 2017, seconded by Mr. Knorr. A unanimous vote followed.

Road Acceptance – High Meadow's Crossing:

Ms. Pellegrini stated that the Town Engineer Jeff Bord and Carl Landolina Town Attorney recommend approving the Road Acceptance of High Meadow's Crossing.

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to approve High Meadow Crossing as an approve road, seconded by Mr. Knorr. A unanimous vote followed.

Route 190 & 83 EVPS Equipment Installation.

Ms. Pellegrini requested approval to sign the approval form for the installation of the EVPS equipment for the Fire Department on Route 190 (Main Street) at Route 83 (South

Road/Springfield), DOT Int. No. 129-201. The Town of Somers will assume ownership and Maintenance of the EVPS Equipment.

Mr. Knorr made a motion to authorize First Selectman Lisa Pellegrini to sign the approval form for the Route 190 & 83 EVPS Equipment Installation, seconded by Mrs. Devlin. A unanimous vote followed.

Consideration and Possible Action on Recommendation to Increase Compensation for Town Clerk.

Mr. Knorr made a motion to increase Ann Marie Logan's salary by 2% retro-active from July 1, 2016, seconded by Mrs. Devlin. A unanimous vote followed.

Boards and Commissions – Resignations and Appointments:

Boards and Commission appointment handouts that are due for 12/22/2016 were presented to the Board of Selectmen for further review. The Selectmen will make appointments/reappointments at a future meeting. Until that time all Board and Commission Members will continue to serve.

Selectmen's Update:

CIP:

Ms. Pellegrini presented the Department of Public Works CIP request for FY 18:

- Replacement Highway Roller - \$45,000
- Replacement Road Side Mower - \$135,000
- 3 Replacement dumpsters for the Transfer Station - \$24,000
- Combination Snow Plow/Sander Dump Truck replacement - \$85,000
- Park Aerator/Overseeder - \$15,000
- Town Hall Mini-van to replace Town Hall pool cars - \$25,000
- Recreation van for cargo and passengers - \$35,000 (\$17,500 from CIP and \$17,500 will be funded through the rec fund)

Mr. Knorr made a motion to approve the above mentioned CIP requests and to forward them on to the CIP Committee for approval, seconded by Mrs. Devlin. A unanimous vote follows.

Historic Monies Expenditure:

The Town Clerk is requesting to spend a total of \$38,550 from Historic Monies Expenditures. She wishes to spend \$34,200 for re-indexing Town of Somers Land Record Documentation from April 1982 thru December 1986 and \$4,350 for an additional map storage unit for the vault. Senior Accountant Brian Wissinger explained that this money accrued comes from recording fees and can be used only for Historic preservation expenditures. Approximately 18,440 images will be scanned.

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to approve the expenditures listed above totaling \$38,550 for re-indexing of Town of Somers Land Record Documentation and a map storage unit and to authorize First Selectman Lisa Pellegrini to sign the contract, seconded by Mr. Knorr. A unanimous vote follows.

USA Hauling Community Outreach Grant:

Ms. Pellegrini informed the Selectmen that a Community Outreach Grant in the amount of \$10,000 has been received from USA Hauling. She asks the Selectmen to think about uses for the grant that can be discussed at a future meeting. The Selectmen officially thank USA Hauling for the \$10,000 Community Outreach Grant.

Authorization of Scheduled Payments:

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to approve the authorization of scheduled payments in the

amount of \$276,488.53, seconded by Mr. Knorr. A unanimous vote followed.

Minutes for Approval:

Ms. Pellegrini wishes to add the December 14th, 2016 Special Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes for approval.

- **Regular Board of Selectmen December 1, 2016 Meeting Minutes**
- **Special Board of Selectmen December 6, 2016 Meeting Minutes**
- **Special Board of Selectmen December 14, 2016 Meeting Minutes**

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to approve the minutes from the December 1st, 2016 Regular Board of Selectmen Meeting, the December 6th, 2016 Special Board of Selectmen Meeting and the December 14th, 2016 Special Board of Selectmen Meeting, seconded by Mr. Knorr. A unanimous vote followed.

Transfers/Appropriations: None

Adjournment

Ms. Devlin made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:22pm, seconded by Mr. Knorr. A unanimous vote followed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kim LaFleur-Recording

Minutes are not official until accepted at a subsequent meeting.