

**TOWN OF SOMERS
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, May 2, 2017
4:00pm
Selectmen's Conference Room**

Call to Order: Selectman Bud Knorr called the meeting to order at 4:01pm.

Members Present: Selectman Bud Knorr, Selectman Kathy Delvin also in attendance
Town Attorney Carl Landolina, Assistant Finance Director Brian Wissinger, CFO Michael
Marinaccio , Town Engineer Jeff Bord, Human Services Director Deanna Schuetz, and interested
residents.

Discussion and Appointment of First Selectman: Town Attorney Landolina briefly went
through the process of Appointing a First Selectman.

*Mrs. Devlin made a motion to appoint Bud Knorr as First Selectman, seconded by Mr. Knorr.
The motion passed.*

Update From Town Attorney on Pending Matters:

**Town Attorney Carl Landolina updated the Board of Selectmen on 2 pending matters with
the Town.**

Review of the Warning for the Annual Town Meeting:

The Board reviewed the proceedings for the Annual Town Meeting set for 5/2/17 at 7:00pm in
the Town Hall Auditorium. The Board of Selectmen requested Town Attorney Landolina be
present.

**Discussion and Vote to cancel the “Second Amendment to Contract Between the State of
CT, Department of Public Protection, Division of State Police and The Town of Somers for
the Services of Resident State Police Troopers”.**

The Board reviewed and discussed the “Second Amendment to Contract between the State of
CT, Department of Public Protection, Division of State Police and The Town of Somers for the
Services of Resident State Police Troopers”.

The Board of Selectmen tabled this item for more discussion

**USA Hauling Grant Disbursement: Mr. Knorr asked for suggestions to disburse the money
from USA Hauling.**

The following recommendations to fund the following events and programs

Shred Day that is scheduled for June 17, 2017 9-12

Fund the Meals on Wheels program

*Mrs. Devlin made a motion to fund the following events and programs, seconded by Mr.
Knorr. A unanimous vote followed.*

Staffing:

Fire Department Promotions:

Fire Chief John Roache read his recommendation letter to promote Bob Wheeler from the rank
of Firefighter to the rank of Lieutenant with the Somers Fire Department and formally
recommend that Ray Stovall be appointed as a Fire Investigator. The raises for these
appointments will be in accordance with the union contract, and the funding is already been

allocated in both this year's budget and next fiscal year's budget, Chief Roache is asking the Board of Selectmen make these appointments and associated raises effective April 30, 2017.

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to approve the recommendations to promote Bob Wheeler from the rank of Firefighter to the rank of Lieutenant with the Somers Fire Department and formally recommend that Ray Stovall be appointed as a Fire Investigator, appointments and raises be effective April 20, 2017, seconded by Mr. Knorr. A unanimous vote followed.

Hiring of Part Time Police Officer:

Mr. Knorr received a notification from the interview panel for the part time police officer Recommending Shannon Belcher.

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to hire Shannon Belcher for the part time police officer position, seconded by Mr. Knorr. The motion passed.

Promotion for Kim LaFleur: This item was tabled; Ms. LaFleur is working on the job description.

Boards & Commissions:

Appointments:

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to reappoint Karl Walton to the Zoning Commission with a term expiration of 12/22/2020, seconded by Mr. Knorr. The motion passed.

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to reappoint Daniel Farrar to the Zoning Commission with at term expiration of 12/22/2019, seconded by Mr. Knorr. The motion passed.

Strategic Planning Bonding Initiative Committee:

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to appoint Sarah Bollinger to the Strategic Planning Bonding Initiative Committee, seconded by Mr. Knorr. The motion passed.

CFO Update:

CFO Michael Marinaccio updated the Board of Selectmen on the BOE Fund trust pension and discussed the process for the Annual Town meeting process.

Authorization of Scheduled Payments:

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to approve the authorization of scheduled payments in the amount of \$355,043.19, seconded by Mr. Knorr. The motion passed.

Adjournment:

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to adjourn the Board of Selectmen at 5:00pm, seconded by Mr. Knorr. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kim LaFleur-Recording

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