

**TOWN OF SOMERS
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, June 29, 2017
6:00pm
Selectmen's Conference Room**

Call to Order: First Selectman, Bud Knorr called meeting to order at 6:00pm.

Members Present: First Selectman Bud Knorr, Selectman Kathy Devlin and Tim Potrikus also present, Assistant Finance Director Brian Wissinger and Fire Chief John Roache.

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

Local Traffic Authority:

Mr. Knorr requested authorization to sign the Road Closings for the Somers "Great Escape" Road Race on Saturday, Sept 16, 2017, due to the State not accepting the prior First Selectman's signature.

Mr. Potrikus made a motion to authorize First Selectman Knorr to sign the Road Closing for Saturday, Sept 16, 2017 for the Somers "Great Escape" Road Race, seconded Mrs. Devlin. A unanimous vote followed.

Ordinances – Soil Erosion and Sediment Control:

Town Sanitarian Steve Jacobs requested the Board of Selectmen amend the Soil Erosion and Sediment Control Ordinance by replacing the term "Sanitarian" to read "Designated Agent". Mr. Jacobs explained in his email that as the Town as grown, new positions have been created and responsibilities have shifted since the ordinances were written. And, should the town be forced or voluntarily join a health district, other town employees will have to take on these jobs.

Mr. Potrikus made a motion to approve the recommendation made by Mr. Jacobs to revise the term "Sanitarian" to read "Designated Agent" in the soil erosion and Sediment Control ordinance, seconded by Mrs. Devlin. A unanimous vote followed.

Boards & Commissions: Resignations:

Mr. Knorr received a letter from Joanne Batchelor resigning from the Cultural Commission effective June 25, 2017.

Mr. Potrikus made a motion to accept the resignation with regrets, seconded by Mrs. Devlin. A unanimous vote followed.

Staffing – Fire Department:

Mr. Potrikus made a motion to approve the full time firefighter due to purposes of discussion, seconded by Mrs. Devlin. The motion passed.

The Board discussed and reviewed the costs comparison of a part time vs. full time fire fighter and agreed to hire a full time and a part time Firefighter.

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to amend the motion to approve Fire Chief Recommendation to add a full time Firefighter and a part time Firefighter, seconded by Mr. Potrikus. The motion passed.

Authorization of Scheduled Payments:

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to approve the authorization of Scheduled payments in the amount of \$261,145.81, seconded by Mr. Potrikus. The motion passed.

Adjournment:

Mr. Potrikus made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:35pm, seconded by Mrs. Devlin. A unanimous vote followed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kim LaFleur-Recording

Minutes are not official until accepted at a subsequent meeting.