

**TOWN OF SOMERS
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Regular Meeting Minutes
Thursday, January 3, 2019 6:00pm
Selectmen's Conference Room**

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by First Selectman Knorr at 6PM

Members Present and Pledge of Allegiance: C.G. C.G "Bud" Knorr, Jr, First Selectman, Kathy Devlin, Selectman, Tim Potrikus, Selectman, Mike Marinaccio, Brian Winsinger, Walter Topliff,, Jr. and guests.

Public Comments: Joe & Patricia Carpe (Nutmeg Drive, Somers) commented on Shaker Road traffic and Tractor Trailers. Selectman Devlin commented on historic perspective of Shaker Road traffic and previous efforts to limit certain vehicle classes. Selectman Devlin commented on historic perspective of Shaker Road traffic. Mr. Winsinger mentioned the availability of the speed sign that can collect traffic data. The BOS will add the Shaker Road traffic topic to a future agenda.

David McCaffrey (9th District Rd., Somers) spoke on behalf of American Legion spoke of Flag Retirement efforts by the Somers Girl Scouts. Asking for permission to install them near flag pole at Town Hall, and at Town Transfer Station.

Opportunity to Add Items: Motion by Devlin to add Approval of Flag Retirement per request of David McCaffrey; second by Knorr, motion passed unanimous.

Motion by Devlin to approve recommendation of Mr. McCaffrey to permanently install Flag Retirement boxes as proposed to Todd Rolland, second by Potrikus, Motion passed unanimous.

Mr. Marinaccio reported that the FY2018 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report was issued on December 17, 2018 and is on file at OPM and on the town website. The Board recommended that town residents review the CAFR to familiarize themselves with town finances.

Authorization and Signing of Revaluation Contract: Mr. Topliff, Jr. reported that the Town has received a bid of \$99,000 for the required revaluation project from Vision Solutions. Motion by Devlin to authorize Knorr to execute a completed contract with Vision Solutions once the Grand List is completed and the contract is prepared, second by Potrikus. A discussion ensued regarding a data revaluation as opposed to a property inspection revaluation. Mr. Marinaccio reported that the PILOT payment from Woodcrest is increasing from \$43,108 from \$33,318, which is considered part of the data revaluation process. Motion passed unanimous.

Budget Discussion: Mr. Winsinger presented a budget overview for consideration by the Board of Selectmen for both 2019 and the upcoming 2020 fiscal years. A discussion ensued on various line items. Further detailed conversations will occur prior to any vote on the municipal budget.

Mr. Marinaccio gave a brief report updating the BOS on the bonding projects that were approved at referendum in the fall.

Boards/Commissions & Appointments/Resignations.

Mr. Knorr stated that Joe Tolisano presented the Town Clerk with a resignation from Emergency Preparation Advisory Council (EPAC), and that Mr. Chris Boucher has informed the Board of his interest in joining the EPAC. Motion by Devlin to accept with regrets the resignation of Mr. Tolisano from EPAC, second by Potrikus, Motion passed unanimous. Motion by Devlin to appoint Mr. Chris Boucher as a member of EPAC, second by Potrikus, Motion passed unanimous.

Mr. Knorr stated that he had received a notice from the Town Clerk of resignation by Mr. Van Wingerden from the Zoning Board of Appeals. Motion by Devlin to approve resignation with regrets of Van Wingerden from Zoning Board of Appeals, second by Potrikus, Motion passed unanimous.

Note: Following the meeting, the list of Board and Commission appointments was reviewed, and it became apparent that Mr. Van Wingerden is not a member of the ZBA, and that perhaps the notice from the Town Clerk related to the resignation from Mr. Van Tassel that was accepted at the prior BOS meeting. This recording in the minutes will be clarified at the next BOS meeting.

Mr. Knorr stated that he had received a notice from the Town Clerk to correct an appointment for Mr. Ralph Williams to the Zoning Board of Appeals. Motion by Devlin to approve Mr. Williams to the Zoning Board of Appeals as an alternate from 12/22/2018 for one year, second by Potrikus, Motion passed unanimous.

Authorization of Scheduled Payments: Motion by Devlin to approve Payments in the amount of \$218,820.51, Second by Potrikus, Motion passed unanimous.

Minutes Approval: Motion by Potrikus to approve minutes of December 13, 2018 with the following corrections:

- that all reappointments are confirmed for the prior term appointment for each of the named members;
- that the reappointment of Roberts, Jr., is to the Board of Assessment Appeals;
- that the spelling of Mr. Getman's name in the reappointment to the WPCA is corrected; and
- that the resignation of Mr. Tolisano as stated at tonight's meeting is noted;

Motion received a Second by Devlin, Motion passed unanimous.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn by Knorr at 7:07PM, second by Devlin, Motion passed unanimous.

Respectfully submitted; Tim Potrikus, Selectman

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