

TOWN OF OXFORD

S.B. Church Memorial Town Hall 486 Oxford Road, Oxford, Connecticut 06478-1298

Board of Selectmen Regular Meeting

<u>Wednesday, February 19, 2020</u> 7:30 PM – Town Hall Main Meeting Room

The Town of Oxford Board of Selectmen Regular Meeting was called to order by First Selectman George Temple at 7:30 PM, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present: First Selectman George Temple, Esq., Selectman Arnold Jensen, Selectman Heather Haney, Kristyn Rosa, Administrative Assistant to the First Selectman

Absent: None.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

1. 2/3/20 Special Budget Meeting

Selectman Arnold Jensen moved to approve the 2/3/20 Special Budget Meeting minutes as presented. This was seconded by Selectman Heather Haney. 2 Ayes. 1 Recusal. Motion carries.

2. 2/5/20 Regular Meeting

Selectman Arnold Jensen moved to approve the 2/5/20 Regular Meeting minutes as presented. This was seconded by Selectman Heather Haney. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

3. 2/10/20 Special Budget Meeting

Selectman Arnold Jensen moved to approve the 2/10/20 Special Budget Meeting minutes as presented. This was seconded by Selectman Heather Haney. 2 Ayes. 1 Recusal. Motion carries.

AMENDMENT OF AGENDA

1. 9th Annual Ride for Hope Charity Motorcycle Ride – Approve Oxford Route and Authorize First Selectman to Sign Permit

MOTION:

Selectman Arnold Jensen moved to amend the agenda to add 9th Annual Ride for Hope Charity Motorcycle Ride – Approve Oxford Route and Authorize First Selectman to Sign Permit as Item #6. This was seconded by Selectman Heather Haney. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

2. CPV Towantic, LLC First Amendment to Amended and Restated Development Agreement – Approve and Authorize First Selectman to Sign

MOTION:

Selectman Arnold Jensen moved to amend the agenda to add CPV Towantic, LLC First Amendment to Amended and Restated Development Agreement – Approve and Authorize First Selectman to Sign as Item #7 and move Report of First Selectman to Item #8. This was seconded by Selectman Heather Haney. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

APPOINTMENTS

1. Quaker Farms Volunteer fire Company 2020 Fire Police Re-Appointments

MOTION:

Selectman Arnold Jensen moved to appoint the following as the 2020 Quaker Farms Volunteer Company Fire Police as presented in their letter dated 1/13/20:

Louis Mazzucco Ronald Stebar Edward Roman Jay Hawthorne

This was seconded by Selectman Heather Haney. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

Discussion: These men do a great job.

2. Safety and Health Committee Appointment

MOTION:

Selectman Arnold Jensen moved to appoint Corporal Keith Buinauskas to the Safety & Health Committee with a term to commence immediately. This was seconded by Selectman Heather Haney. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

Discussion: It is beneficial to have someone from the Police Department serve on this committee. Corporal Buinaskas will serve the committee well.

3. Zoning Board of Appeals Appointment Clarifications

MOTION:

Selectman Arnold Jensen moved to clarify the Zoning Board of Appeals Appointments from the Board of Selectmen's meeting on 2/5/20. The Board moves to appoint:

Rich Burns, of 3 Jensen Farm Road, to the Zoning Board of Appeals with a term commence immediately and expire on 11/16/21.

Paul Aiksnoras, of 46 Perry Lane, to the Zoning Board of Appeals as an Alternate with a term to commence immediately and expire on 12/31/21.

This was seconded by Selectman Heather Haney. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

Discussion: Both men are good people. The appointments are necessary to have a full Board for the meeting on Monday.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Oxford Library's Fiber Optic Grant Application and Contract – Approve and Authorize First Selectman to Sign

MOTION:

Selectman Arnold Jensen moved to approve the State of Connecticut's Network Access Service Agreement for the Oxford Library in order to bring fiber optic cable to the Library as presented and requested by the Director of Municipal Library/Media Operations in her letter dated 2/14/20 and to authorize the First Selectman to sign said Agreement. This was seconded by Selectman Heather Haney. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

Discussion: Robbi Costigan, Director of Municipal Library/Media Operations explained the grant application and contract. Fiber optic is faster and does not buffer.

MOTION:

First Selectman George Temple moved to amend the motion to approve the application contingent upon receiving a grant from the State in the amount of \$40,900.00. This was seconded by Selectman Arnold Jensen. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

Discussion: If the grant is not awarded, the project will not be funded. The money is not in the Capital Plan. The Board of Selectmen discussed the costs and project. Questions were answered by Robbi Costigan.

MOTION:

Selectman Arnold Jensen moved to approve the amended motion to approve the State of Connecticut's Network Access Service Agreement for the Oxford Library in order to Board of Selectmen Regular Meeting – February 19, 2020

bring fiber optic cable to the Library as presented and requested by the Director of Municipal Library/Media Operations in her letter dated 2/14/20 contingent upon receiving a grant from the State in the amount of \$40,900.00 and to authorize the First Selectman to sign said Agreement. This was seconded by Selectman Heather Haney. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

Discussion: None.

2. Tax Refunds

MOTION:

Selectman Arnold Jensen moved to approve the tax refunds, totaling \$9,908.66, as presented and recommended by the Tax Collector in her letter dated 2/18/20 and to authorize two signatures. This was seconded by Selectman Heather Haney. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

Discussion: None.

3. Town-Wide Cleanup Month <u>Resolution</u> – Approve and Authorize First Selectman to Sign

MOTION:

Selectman Arnold Jensen moved to approve the following Town-Wide Cleanup Month *Resolution* as presented and requested by the Conservation/Inland Wetlands Agency:

WHEREAS, the Oxford Conservation Commission Inland Wetlands Agency has declared from April 1st through April 30th as Town Wide Clean-Up Month; and

WHEREAS, Town Wide Clean-Up Month is celebrated annually to recommit to protect our-flora and fauna and make Oxford a beautiful place to live; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Selectmen of the town of Oxford reaffirms its commitment to the goals and principles of Town wide Clean-Up Month and in keeping with our goal to protect and make Oxford a beautiful place to live, and supports Town wide Clean-Up by:

- 1. Inviting and encouraging all citizens, businesses, organizations, schools, clubs, neighborhoods and families to participate in community Town Wide Clean-Up activities; and
- 2. By providing support through participation of Town Departments.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Oxford declares from April 1st through April 30th as Town Wide Clean-Up Month and authorizes the Public Works Department to remain open until 5:00 PM on the last two (2) Saturdays of April.

This was seconded by Selectman Heather Haney. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

Discussion: The Town Wide Clean-Up occurs every year. Volunteers from the Town Hall participate in the activity. The Board would like to expand the involvement to include businesses and families. Discussion ensued among Board members.

4. Renewal by Anderson Peddler's Permit Application - Approve

MOTION:

Selectman Arnold Jensen moved to approve the Peddler's Permit for Renewal by Anderson with the following stipulations:

- The Oxford Police department must be notified daily, or each day you are soliciting, of the area in Town where you will be soliciting along with the hours.
- No soliciting in neighborhoods where it clearly states "No Soliciting" such as, but not limited to, Oxford Greens, Meadowbrook Estates, River Bend Estates.
- Must have identification badge.

This was seconded by Selectman Heather Haney. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

Discussion: The solicitations are controlled under the ordinance.

5. FY 2019 - 2020 Transfer Requests

This matter is tabled.

6. 9th Annual Ride for Hope Charity Motorcycle Ride – Approve Oxford Route and Authorize First Selectman to Sign Permit

MOTION:

Selectman Arnold Jensen moved to approve the use of Route 67 and Route 188 through the Town of oxford, on Sunday, June 7, 2020, between 10:00 AM – 12:30 PM, for the 9th Annual Ride for Hope Charity Motorcycle Ride and to authorize the First Selectman to sign the Connecticut Department of Transportation's application for Special Use Permit. This was seconded by Selectman Heather Haney. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

Discussion: This event occurs every year. The charity benefits the Milford Prevention Council.

7. CPV Towantic, LLC Amendment to Amended and Restated Development Agreement – approve and Authorize First Selectman to Sign

MOTION:

Selectman Arnold Jensen moved to approve the CPV Towantic, LLC First Amendment to Amended and Restated Development Agreement and to authorize the First Selectman to sign. This was seconded by Selectman Heather Haney. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

Discussion: Town Attorney Kevin Condon explained. The Power Plant agreed to pay \$85,000.00 for road repairs, and also agreed to pay \$200,000.00 for the building of the Board of Selectmen Regular Meeting – February 19, 2020

Water Pump Station on Woodruff Hill. Questions were asked by Board members and answered by Atty. Condon.

8. REPORT OF FIRST SELECTMAN

- LoCIP reimbursement was sent to the State of Connecticut for the Public Works gas tanks, Quaker Farms Fire House deck, and Riverside Fire House kitchen. Reimbursement will also be applied for school security expenses.
- 2. Plans for the Town Wide Clean-Up are underway. An update will be presented at the next Board of Selectmen's meeting.
- 3. Congressman Himes will be in Oxford tomorrow and will tour Quarry Walk with First Selectman George Temple. The apartments are scheduled for June 1st occupancy. These will increase the Town's tax base.
- 4. The Selectman's Breakfast is on March 3, 2020 at the Sitting Duck. It starts at 7:00 AM. Oxford and Seymour do this event jointly. Proceeds will benefit the Boy Scouts. Tom Haynes will be the guest of honor for Oxford. Karen Stanek will be honored by the Town of Seymour. The cost of the breakfast will soon be announced.

AUDIENCE OF CITIZENS

1. Joanne Barry, of Oxford Greens, expressed her concerns regarding the trash on Oxford roads. Trash is being thrown from cars and fall out of garbage trucks. She asked that a permanent plan be put in place to resolve this issue. First Selectman George Temple suggested forming a committee to address this issue.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION:

Selectman Arnold Jensen moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:26 PM. This was seconded by Selectman George Temple. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary LoPresti

Clerk, Board of Selectmen

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