

MINUTES

Board of Selectmen's Regular Meeting

Wednesday, May 21, 2014
7:30 PM - Town Hall

Present: First Selectman George Temple, Selectman Dave McKane, Selectman Jeff Haney, Joanne Pelton; Administrative Assistant

First Selectman George Temple opened the meeting at 7:30 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

1. 5/7/14 Regular Meeting

MOTION:

Jeff Haney moved to approve the 5/17/14 Regular Meeting minutes as presented. This was seconded by Dave McKane. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

AMENDMENT OF AGENDA

NONE

APPOINTMENTS

1. Anti-Blight Committee Appointments

MOTION:

Dave McKane moved to *table* this matter. This was seconded by Jeff Haney. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

AUDIENCE OF CITIZENS

NONE

NEW BUSINESS

1. 2013 Homeowners Town Benefit Tax Relief Program – Approve

MOTION:

Dave McKane moved to *table* the Homeowners Town Benefit Income Guideline for the 2013 Grand List at a cap of \$44,599 for unmarried and \$44,599 for married; with an eligibility age requirement of 65, as presented by the Tax Assessor in her letter dated 4/15/14. This was seconded by Jeff Haney. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

2. Oxford Fire Department Engine 51 – Approve Purchase and Forward to Board of Finance

MOTION:

Dave McKane moved to approve the purchase of Engine 51 for the Oxford Fire Department from Pierce Manufacturing, Inc of 2600 American Drive in Appleton, Wisconsin, in an amount not to exceed \$666,315, based upon a three payment schedule, to be taken from _____, and to forward this matter to the Board of Finance. This was seconded by Jeff Haney. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

Discussion:

Fire Marshall Scott Pelletier explained the fire truck needing replacement is 26 years old and has an open cab, which is no longer acceptable. It is also costing the Town of Oxford money to keep it going because of repair costs. Dave McKane asked what will be done with the old truck once it's replaced. Scott discussed several options with the Board, including selling, scrapping, or donating the truck. Jeff Haney expressed his concern to Board of Finance Chairman Jack Kiley that this new fire truck needs to be approved by the Board now, not later. Jack Kiley said it would be considered, but is unsure about the financing sources and when the truck will be approved by the Board of Finance. Scott Pelletier confirmed that the price for the new truck will be held until the middle of July.

3. Oxford Town Center, LLC Bond Release/Combine

MOTION:

Jeff Haney moved to approve the release of Performance Bond #929510941 for Oxford Town Center, LLC in the amount of \$475,000.00, and to combine this bond with the bond presently being held in escrow by Town Counsel for the Excavation/Re-grading Application Z-13-138; as presented and recommended by the Planning & Zoning Commission in their Memorandum dated 5/6/14. This was seconded by Dave McKane. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

Discussion:

First Selectman George Temple commented on the fact that this flat excavation is needed for the grocery store.

4. **Report of First Selectman**

The Memorial Day Race will be Monday, May 26th at 8AM, the parade at 11AM.

The Town of Oxford received a STEAP Grant Award for \$500,000 to aid in building Phase 1 of Tetlak Park. Phase 1 will include 2 softball fields and 1 utility field that can be used for soccer, flag football, and other sports.

The next Budget Referendum for the Town and the Board of Education will be on Tuesday June 3rd.

AMENDMENTS

NONE

AUDIENCE OF CITIZENS

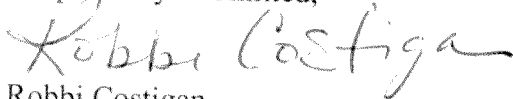
Jack Kiley; Chairman of the Board of Finance, questioned First Selectman George Temple on the selection of the Marshal used on the sale of JJTM. Mr. Temple stated that the Marshal was chosen and paid in accordance with state statutes. Mr. Kiley asked why the Board of Finance didn't receive an accounting of the fees. Mr. Temple told him he will get him that information.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION:

First Selectman George Temple moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:51 PM. This was seconded by Jeff Haney. All 3Ayes. Motion Carries.

Respectfully Submitted,



Robbi Costigan
Clerk, Board of Selectmen

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TOWN OF OXFORD, CT
TOWN CLERK
Jeffrey A. West