

MINUTES

Board of Selectmen's Regular Meeting

Wednesday, December 7, 2022
7:30 PM - Town Hall

First Selectman George R. Temple called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present: First Selectman George Temple, Selectman Arnold Jensen and Administration Assistant Kristyn Rosa.

Absent: Selectman David McKane.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

1. 11/16/22 Regular Meeting

MOTION:

Selectman Arnold Jensen moved to approve the 11/16/22 Regular Meeting minutes as presented. This was seconded by First Selectman George Temple. Motion carried.

2. 11/28/22 Special Meeting

MOTION:

Selectman Arnold Jensen moved to approve the 11/28/22 Special Meeting minutes as presented. This was seconded by First Selectman George Temple. Motion carried.

AMENDMENT OF AGENDA

1. Library Board of Directors Appointment

MOTION:

Selectman Arnold Jensen moved to amend the agenda to add Library Board of Directors Appointment as Item #5 under Appointments. This was seconded by First Selectman George Temple. Motion carried.

2. Trinity Solar/Guilherme Camargo Peddler's Permit – Approve

MOTION:

Selectman Arnold Jensen moved to amend the agenda to add Trinity Solar/Guilherme Camargo Peddler's Permit – Approve as Item #11 and move Report of First Selectman to Item #12. This was seconded by First Selectman George Temple. Motion carried.

APPOINTMENTS

1. Conservation Commission/Inland Wetlands Agency Re-Appointments

MOTION:

Selectman Arnold Jensen moved to re-appoint Joseph Lanier and Andrew Ferrillo both to the Conservation Commission/Inland Wetlands Agency with terms to commence on 1/1/23 and expire 12/31/25. This was seconded by First Selectman George Temple. Motion carried.

2. Quaker Farms Volunteer Fire Company 2023 Chief Re-Appointment

MOTION:

Selectman Arnold Jensen moved to re-appoint Daniel Gramigna as Quaker Farms Volunteer Fire Company's 2023 Chief; as recommended in their letter dated 11/29/22. This was seconded by First Selectman George Temple. Motion carried.

3. Riverside Fire Company 2023 Chief Re-Appointment

MOTION:

Selectman Arnold Jensen moved to re-appoint Edwin Hellauer as Riverside Fire Company's 2023 Chief; as recommended in their letter dated 11/14/22. This was seconded by First Selectman George Temple. Motion carried.

4. Parks & Recreation Re-Appointments

MOTION:

Selectman Arnold Jensen moved to re-appoint Christine Bavone, Jennifer Mahmood and Erik Guerra to the Parks & Recreation Commission with terms to commence on 1/1/23 and expire on 12/31/25; as presented and recommended by the Director in her letter dated 12/5/22. This was seconded by First Selectman George Temple. Motion carried.

5. Library Board of Directors Appointment

MOTION:

Selectman Arnold Jensen moved to appoint Janet Berger to the Library Board of Directors with a term to commence immediately and expire on 12/31/24. This was seconded by First Selectman George Temple. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Oxford High School Soccer Team Certificate Presentation

First Selectman George Temple and Selectman Arnold Jensen presented Certificates and Town Coins to Coach Daniel Bautista and the Oxford High School Varsity Soccer players in recognition of their outstanding achievement. The Junior Varsity Team were also recognized.

2. Troop 1 Town Ornament Presentation

Troop 1 Boy Scouts presented the Town Ornament to the Board of Selectmen.

3. Public Act 21-29 Concerning Accessory Apartments Opt-Out and Limitations on Parking Requirements for Dwelling Units Opt-Out

Discussion included new state mandates and keeping matters locally regulated.

MOTION:

Selectman Arnold Jensen moved to opt out of the provisions of Connecticut General Statute §6 (a) to (d) of Public 4884-5652-1743. v.2 Act 21-29 concerning Accessory Apartments. This was seconded by First Selectman George Temple. Motion carried.

MOTION:

Selectman Arnold Jensen moved to opt out of the provisions of Connecticut General Statute §8-2 (d)(9), as amended by this Public Act 21-29, §4; and 4884-5652-1743. v.3 regarding the limitations on parking requirements for dwelling units. This was seconded by First Selectman George Temple. Motion carried.

4. ARPA Funding Request from the Oxford Library

MOTION:

Selectman Arnold Jensen moved to approve the ARPA funding request, in the amount of \$7,500.00, for the Oxford Library for the purchase of necessary materials for large print

fiction books as well as materials at various reading levels; as approved by the Oxford Space & ARPA Funds Advisory Committee at their 11/8/22 meeting. This was seconded by First Selectman George Temple. Motion carried.

5. ARPA Funding Request from Parks & Recreation

Kyra Nesteriak and Glen Schumitz discussed what items need to be replaced and that the equipment is still under warranty, but not the installation of the replacement parts. All parts are on site.

MOTION:

Selectman Arnold Jensen moved to approve the ARPA funding request, in the amount of \$8,700.00, for Parks & Recreation for the installation and repair of playground equipment for Lily Park (\$3,800.00) and for two AED's for Jackson Cove Park and the Parks & Recreation Summer Camp at Community Chapel (\$4,900.00); as approved by the Oxford Space & ARPA Funds Advisory Committee at their 11/8/22 meeting. This was seconded by First Selectman George Temple. Motion carried.

6. Community Support Committee's Oxford High School Make A Difference Club's Application for the Cannon Memorial Project – Approve

MOTION:

Selectman Arnold Jensen moved to approve the Community Support Committee's application for Oxford High School's Make A Difference Club, in the amount of \$1,500.00, for the beautification of the Howitzer Cannon Memorial Project as detailed in their application and as recommended and approved by the Community Support Committee at their meeting held on 11/21/22. This was seconded by First Selectman George Temple. Motion carried.

7. Acceptance of Property at 585 Oxford Road In Lieu of Taxes

MOTION:

Selectman Arnold Jensen moved to accept the property located at 585 Oxford Road, identified on Assessor's map as Map 27, Block 58, Lot 16A consisting of approximately 6 acres and belonging to Americo DaSilva & Shelton Developers in lieu of taxes, if any, and to forward this matter to a Town Meeting. This was seconded by First Selectman George Temple. Motion carried.

8. SpyGlass Snapshot Audit Agreement – Approve and Authorize First Selectman to Sign

MOTION:

Selectman Arnold Jensen moved to approve the SpyGlass Snapshot Audit Agreement between The SpyGlass Group, LLC (a telecommunication audit company) and the Town of Oxford for an audit of the Town of Oxford's telecommunication services. The fees to be paid to SpyGlass will be 50% of the refunds received and 50% of the savings for a twelve-month period for recommendations that the Town of Oxford chooses to implement. This was seconded by First Selectman George Temple. Motion carried.

9. Solid Waste/Recycling Permit – Approve

MOTION:

Selectman Arnold Jensen moved to approve the following Solid Waste/Recycling Permit License as approved by the Recycling Coordinator:

- USA Waste & Recycling, 15 Mullen Road, Enfield, CT 06082
(Solid Waste and Recycling)
- Oak Ridge Hauling, LLC, 307 White Street, Danbury, CT 06810
(Solid Waste and Recycling)

This was seconded by First Selectman George Temple. Motion carried.

10. Board of Selectmen 2023 Meeting Schedule – Approve

MOTION:

Selectman Arnold Jensen moved to approve the following regular Board of Selectmen meeting dates for 2023:

January 4, 2023 *
January 18, 2023

July 19, 2023

February 1, 2023
February 15, 2023

August 16, 2023

March 1, 2023
March 15, 2023

September 6, 2023
September 20, 2023

April 5, 2023
April 19, 2023

October 4, 2023
October 18, 2023

May 3, 2023
May 17, 2023

November 1, 2023
November 15, 2023

June 7, 2023
June 21, 2023

December 6, 2023
December 20, 2023

* Special Meeting per Town Charter

This was seconded by First Selectman George Temple. Motion carried.

11. Trinity Solar/Guilherme Camargo Peddler's Permit – Approve

MOTION:

Selectman Arnold Jensen moved to approve the Peddler's Permit for Trinity Solar/Guilherme Camargo 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 Green, Meadowbrook Estates, River Bend Estates.
- All employees must have an identification badge.
- No soliciting on Sunday's or Holiday's.

It is noted that this permit expires on 12/31/22 as in accordance with the Peddler's Permit Ordinance. This was seconded by First Selectman George Temple. Motion carried.

12. Report of First Selectman

First Selectman George Temple discussed the Tree Lighting event that took place on Saturday, December 3rd, the Police Toy Drive, and the Food Drive. First Selectman Temple also acknowledged the new Police Sergeant Roman Gray and the great job he is doing.

AUDIENCE OF CITIZENS

Nil Guillet discussed the Smith ST project stating that street water is going through private property; it has always been town maintained. First Selectman George Temple stated he is looking into this.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION:

Selectman Arnold Jensen moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 PM. This was seconded by First Selectman George Temple. Motion carried

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Respectfully Submitted By

Kathleen Sundstrom

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Clerk

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TOWN OF OXFORD, CT
By Margaret A. Clark
TOWN CLERK