Board of Selectmen's Special Meeting

Wednesday, June 15, 2016 7:00 PM - Town Hall

The meeting was called to order by First Selectman George Temple at 7:35 p.m. and the Pledge of allegiance was recited.

Present:

First Selectman George R. Temple, Esq., Selectman Jeff Haney, Selectman Kathy

Johnson, Joanne Pelton, Administrative Assistant

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

1. 6/1/16 Regular Meeting

MOTION:

Jeff Haney moved to approve the 6/1/16 Regular Meeting minutes as presented. This was seconded by Kathy Johnson. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

APPOINTMENTS

1. Hearing Officer – Appoint Herman Schuler

MOTION:

Jeff Haney moved to appoint Herman Schuler, of 125 Meadow Brook Road, as Hearing Officer with a term to have commenced on 1/1/16 and expire on 12/31/17. This was seconded by Kathy Johnson.

Discussion: First Selectman George Temple stated this appointment has no compensation. The motion needs to state this position has no compensation.

MOTION:

Jeff Haney amended the motion to appoint Herman Schuler, of 125 Meadow Brook Road, as Hearing Officer with no compensation with a term to have commenced on 1/1/16 and expire on 12/31/17. This was seconded by Kathy Johnson. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

Discussion: First Selectman George Temple stated Mr. Schuler will be a very good Officer, and happily supports this motion.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Casey's Victory Crusade Motorcycle Run – Approve Use of Town Roads and Authorize First Selectman to Sign Documentation

MOTION:

Jeff Haney moved to approve the following motorcycle route through Oxford for Casey's Victory Crusade Motorcycle Run which is to be held on Saturday, July 30, 2016 between 10:30 AM and 12:30 PM:

Oxford Route:

Route 34 to Route 188, Route 188 to Route 67, and then Route 67 into Seymour

This was seconded by Kathy Johnson. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

Discussion: First Selectman Temple supports this motion and this does is for a good cause and does not interfere with anyone in the town.

2. Surveillance Equipment for Lily Park and Ryan's Court – Award New Bid and Forward to Board of Finance

MOTION:

Jeff Haney moved to table this matter since he does not have the bid and until we get the bid ready. There being no second, the motion fails.

MOTION:

Kathy Johnson moved to put this matter up for discussion. This was seconded by Jeff Haney. All 3 Ayes.

Discussion:

First Selectman George Temple asked if we have a bid, and yes we do have a bid. Joanne Pelton stated that the company came to the Board of Finance meeting and they can do a system with the Wi-Fi at the schools and at Public Works. There is Wi-Fi in the town buildings, and Joanne stated that the only concern was with the I.T. Director at the schools that had some questions regarding security of the Wi-Fi. This bid is more expensive than the original bid using a cloud base system, but does eliminate the monthly

fees, and the cameras will zero in on license plates. Kathy Johnson stated that Jeff Haney was correct with his concerns with the original bid. Jeff Haney stated this bid is \$23,000, and the other bid was \$17,000 and the new bid was supposed to be considerably less, is what Setronics stated at the meeting. Jeff Haney stated that this needs to go out to bid. The original bid did go out but it was limited in the bidding process and only one company was able to bid on it. Now that it is a standard system that is used in other parts of the town, we can have other bids. Jeff Haney feels we should table this and wait since it is over \$10,000. First Selectman George Temple stated that for the sake of possibly a \$5000 difference, in light of the current events happening, the safety of the town children is more important. This company is putting in more cameras with high definition to read license plates and also to get a clear picture of faces. Lily Park should be a place for fun for the children, and a place where the town does not have to worry about. First Selectman Temple wanted to get this done over a year ago, and he does not feel secure not having a security system at the park. Safety is First Selectman Temple's main concern and no one else. Jeff Haney objected to this statement, and stated he is also concerned for the safety of the children, but this Board did not give him all of the information, and this needs to go out to bid per Charter.

MOTION:

Kathy Johnson moved to move to the question to award the new bid for the surveillance equipment at Lily Park and Ryan's Court to Setronics Corp., of 5 Executive Park Drive, Billerica, Massachusetts, in an amount not to exceed \$23,991.00 for the proposed security system equipment as outlined in their Proposal dated 6/13/16 and to authorize the First Selectman to sign said Proposal. This was seconded by First Selectman George Temple. All 2 Ayes, 1 opposed by Jeff Haney. Motion carries. This matter will be forwarded to the Board of Finance.

3. Tax Refunds

MOTION:

Jeff Haney moved to approve the tax refunds, totaling \$2,383.39, as presented and recommended by the Tax Collector in her letter dated 6/13/16, and to authorize two signatures. This was seconded by Kathy Johnson. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

Discussion: Jim Hliva reviewed this and recommends that the refunds be made.

4. Eversource Energy Efficient Focused Study Agreement – Approve and Authorize First Selectman to Sign

MOTION:

Jeff Haney moved to approve the Eversource Energy Efficient Focused Study Agreement for the following town buildings and authorize the First Selectman to sign:

Town Hall Police Station Senior Center Fire House(s)

This was seconded by Kathy Johnson. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

Discussion: First Selectman George Temple stated this is a way to save money. And it is long overdue. Eversource pays for the full study to do the buildings, and if making any changes we can finance them through the clean energy fund. It will be more energy efficient.

5. Connecticut Conference of Municipalities Prescription Drug Discount Agreement – Approve and Authorize First Selectman to Sign

MOTION:

Jeff Haney moved to approve the Connecticut Conference of Municipalities Prescription Drug Discount Agreement and to authorize the First Selectman to sign. This was seconded by Kathy Johnson. All 3 Ayes, Motion carries.

Discussion: J. Hliva stated that there are currently 30 municipalities now doing this, and it will give some residents discounts. The total cost is \$0.

A moment of silence was held for two Oxford citizens, Amy Komar, and Lt. Col. Howard Belinsky.

Barbara Bourque thanked the Board of Selectmen for all the work they did on getting the noise issue resolved.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION:

Kathy Johnson moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 PM. This was seconded by Jeff Haney. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

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Respectfully submitted,

Lynda Romanowski

Clerk, Board of Selectmen

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