

MINUTES  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
REGULAR MEETING  
October 3, 2012 – 7:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by First Selectman George Temple at 7:00 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present: First Selectman George Temple, Selectman Jeffrey Haney, Selectman Dave McKane, Joanne Pelton, Administrative Assistant and James Hliva, Finance Director.

**ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES**

**1. 9/18/12 Special Meeting**

**MOTION:**

Selectman Haney moved to approve the 9/18/12 Special Meeting minutes as presented. Second by First Selectman Temple. (2) Ayes (1) Abstention by Selectman McKane. Motion passes.

**2. 9/19/12 Regular Meeting**

**MOTION:**

Selectman Haney moved to approve the 9/19/12 Regular Meeting minutes as presented. Second by Selectman McKane. Motion passes unanimously.

**AMENDMENT OF AGENDA**

None.

**APPOINTMENTS**

None.

**AUDIENCE OF CITIZENS**

Paulo Dellosa, 24 Moose Hill Road asked when fundraising will be start for a field house at Oxford High School. Joanne will contact him with the date and time of the next field building committee's meeting so that he can attend and speak about his idea. First Selectman Temple thanked him for his interest.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**1. Quaker Farms Oil Spill Remediation – Oxford vs. EnviroScience**

**MOTION:**

Selectman Haney moved to enter into Executive Session at 7:11 p.m. in order to discuss a matter involving litigation. First Selectman Temple read into the record the names of those who were invited to remain for Executive Session: Selectman Haney, Selectman McKane, Jim Hliva and First Selectman Temple. Second by Selectman McKane. Motion passes unanimously.

**MOTION:**

Selectman Haney moved to come out of Executive Session at 7:35 p.m. Second by Selectman McKane. Motion passes unanimously.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**1. FY 2012 – 2013 Transfer Requests      *tabled***

**MOTION:**

Selectman McKane moved to remove this matter from the table. Second by Selectman Haney. Motion passes unanimously.

**MOTION:**

Selectman Haney moved to table the following FY 2012 – 2013 transfer requests as presented and recommended by the Finance Director:

TO: Town Hall	Facility Maintenance	5545-603	\$2,317.50
FROM: Finance Contingency	Finance Contingency	5320-560-5320	\$2,317.50
TO: Planning & Zoning	Certified Land Use	5480-517-98	\$4,000.00
	Replacement		
FROM: Finance Contingency	Finance Contingency	5320-560-5320	\$4,000.00

Second by Selectman McKane. Motion passes unanimously.

**2. LoCIP Funding for Playscape – Approve and Forward to Board of Finance and Town Meeting**

**MOTION:**

Selectman McKane moved to remove this matter from the table. Second by Selectman Haney. Motion passes unanimously.

**MOTION:**

Selectman Haney moved to approve the appropriation, in an amount not to exceed \$165,000.00, from LoCIP funds for the construction, building, installation and all other work related to the Playscape and the Town is authorized to borrow \$165,000.00 from the General Fund and to apply for, accept and expend Local Capital Improvement Program (LoCIP) funds for the construction, building, installation and all other work related to the Playscape. In addition, the Capital Improvement Plan of the Town of Oxford is hereby amended to include the construction, building, installation and all other work related to the Playscape in the amount of \$165,000.00 and to forward this matter to the Board of Finance and then to Town Meeting. Second by Selectman McKane. Discussion: First Selectman Temple commented that he feels the town doesn't do enough for the town's small children. This would be a great addition to the town and it is planned in a great location. He noted that the figure may be less if private donations come in. Selectman McKane asked for confirmation that the funds will be reimbursed. Jim Hliva indicated that the town has approval from LoCIP for \$181,000 that we do get reimbursed after the funds are spent (usually within 30 days). Motion passes unanimously.

**3. 'No Thru Truck Traffic' Sign at West Street and Chestnut Tree Hill Road**

**MOTION:**

Selectman Haney moved to table this matter as we are still awaiting written communication with the Roads Commission, Resident State Trooper, the Road Foreman and the State Traffic Commission. Second by Selectman McKane. Motion passes unanimously.

**4. 16 Shelton Road Property, Accept in-lieu-of Unpaid Taxes**

**MOTION:**

Selectman McKane moved to abate the imposed taxes of property known as 16 Shelton Road, identified on Assessor's Map as Map 28, Block 66A, Lot CL 3 consisting of 1.58 acres in order to better reflect a fair and equitable value and then to accept this parcel of property from Judith H. Jablonski of 18 Shelton Road in-lieu-of the unpaid taxes in the amount of \$27,329.00; as reviewed and recommended by Town Counsel in his letter dated 9/27/12. Second by Selectman Haney. Discussion: The question of whether or not the lot is a building lot came up.

Selectman McKane withdrew his motion. Selectman Haney withdrew his second to the motion.

Selectman McKane moved to table the matter. Second by Selectman Haney. Motion passes unanimously.

**5. Cedarstone Road Request to Change from Private Road to Town Road**

**MOTION:**

Selectman Haney moved to table this matter as we have not received written correspondence from the Planning & Zoning Commission, the Road Foreman, the Town Engineer nor the Roads Commission. Second by Selectman McKane. Motion passes unanimously.

**6. Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month Proclamation**

**MOTION:**

Selectman McKane moved to approve the following Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month Proclamation and to authorize the First Selectman to sign:

**PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS** in 2012, an estimated 43,920 people will be diagnosed with pancreatic cancer in the United States and 37,390 will die from the disease;

**WHEREAS** pancreatic cancer is one of the deadliest cancers and is the fourth leading cause of cancer death in the United States, and is the only major cancer with a five-year relative survival rate in the single digits at just six percent;

**WHEREAS** when symptoms of pancreatic cancer present themselves, it is usually too late for an optimistic prognosis, and 74 percent of pancreatic cancer patients die within the first year of their diagnosis while 94 percent of pancreatic cancer patients die within the first five years;

**WHEREAS** of all the racial/ethnic groups in the United States, African Americans have the highest incidence rate of pancreatic cancer, between 34 percent and 70 percent higher than the other groups;

**WHEREAS** approximately 510 deaths will occur in Connecticut in 2012;

**WHEREAS** there is no cure for pancreatic cancer and there have been no significant improvements in survival rates in the last 40 years;

**WHEREAS** the Federal Government invests significantly less money in pancreatic cancer research than it does in any of the other leading cancer killers; and pancreatic cancer research constitutes only approximately 2 percent of the National Cancer Institute's federal research funding, a figure far too low given the severity of the disease, its mortality rate, and how little is known about how to arrest it; and

**WHEREAS** the Pancreatic Cancer Action Network is the first and only national patient advocacy organization that serves the pancreatic cancer community in Oxford and nationwide by focusing its efforts on public policy, research funding, patient services, and public awareness and education related to developing effective treatments and a cure for pancreatic cancer;

**WHEREAS** the Pancreatic Cancer Action Network and its affiliates in Oxford support those patients currently battling pancreatic cancer, as well as to those who have lost their lives to the disease, and are committed to nothing less than a cure;

**WHEREAS** the good health and well-being of the residents of Oxford are enhanced as a direct result of increased awareness about pancreatic cancer and research into early detection, causes, and effective treatments;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** as First Selectman of the Town of Oxford, I do hereby designate the month of November 2012 as **PANCREATIC CANCER AWARENESS MONTH** in the Town of Oxford, Connecticut.

Second by Selectman Haney. Motion passes unanimously.

## 7. **Report of First Selectman**

First Selectman Temple noted that Dog Days held on 9/29 was successful. The Cultural Arts Commission art show on 9/29 was also a success and enjoyable to attend.

He spoke about a letter written to Commissioner Katherine Smith about the Oxford Airport Zone and the impact on economic development for Oxford, Southbury and Middlebury. The letter asked for the current status of the project and also requested that instruction be given so the towns are aware of what is required by the EECD. No response has been received to date. He also sent a letter to Governor Malloy thanking him for his support in the establishment of the airport zone. The letter encouraged further progress of this project because it is felt that lack of progress is affecting economic development in the area.

## AMENDMENTS

None.

## AUDIENCE OF CITIZENS

None.

## ADJOURNMENT

## MOTION:

Selectman McKane moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 PM. Second by Selectman Haney. Motion passes unanimously.

Respectfully submitted, subject to approval

*Marni Soss*

Marni Soss, Clerk

12 OCT -5 PM 2:50  
TOWN OF OXFORD, CT  
*Shirley H. West*  
TOWN CLERK