

**Minutes
Board of Selectmen's
Regular Meeting
Wednesday October 19, 2022**

The Town of Oxford Board of Selectmen Regular Meeting was called to order by First Selectmen George Temple at 7:33pm and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present: First Selectmen George Temple, Selectmen Arnold Jensen, Selectmen David McKane, and Kristyn Rosa, Assistant to the First Selectmen

Absent: None

Acceptance of Minutes:

10/6/22 Special Meeting

Arnold Jensen motioned to approve the 10/6/22 Special Meeting Minutes. David McKane second motion. Motion carried.

10/6/22 Special Joint Meeting

Arnold Jensen motioned to accept Special Meeting Minutes. David McKane second motion. Motion carried.

Amendments of Agenda:

Great Oak Middle School Evaluation & Improvement Committee
Appointment

Arnold Jensen motioned to amend agenda to add Great Oak Middle School & Evaluation Improvement Committee Appointment as #3 under Appointments. David McKane second motion. Motion carried.

Appointments:**Cultural Arts Commission R-Appointments**

Arnold Jensen motioned to re-appoint Cynthia Soucy and Richard Franzino both to the Cultural Arts Commission with terms to commence on 1/1/23 and expire on 12/31/25. David McKane second motion. Motion carried.

Deputy Treasurer Appointment

Arnold Jensen motioned to appoint William Miller as the Deputy Treasurer with a term to commence immediately and expire on 11/21/23 David McKane second motion. Motion carried

Great Oak Middle School Evaluation & Improvement Committee Appointment

Arnold Jensen motioned to appoint Robert Slie to the Great Oak Middle School Evaluation & Improvement Committee David McKane second motion. Motion carried

Public Works New Employee Hire

Arnold Jensen motioned to hire Dan Ragmingm as a Public Works employee as of 11/14/22, rate determination by contract. David McKane second motion. Motion carried

New Business:**Tax Refunds**

Arnold Jensen moved to approve the tax refunds, totaling \$3328.06, as presented and recommended by the tax collector and her letter dated 10/16/22 and to authorize two signatures. David McKane second motion. Motion carried

Fire Department's New Rescue 44 Proposal

Arnold Jensen moved to table the proposal from Firematic Supply,Co, in the amount of \$1,684,500.00 to be taken from the general fund the year 2025, for the new Rescue 44 rescue vehicle which is to be stationed at

Center Fire Station, as requested and presented by the Board Of Fire Chiefs in their letter dated 9/29/22.

Brief discussion with Board Of Finance Chairman Jack Kiley in regards to financing vehicle. Fire Chief Scott Pelletier discussed the need and condition of the current vehicle. This matter will be forwarded to the Board Of Finance and then to a Town Meeting for a final vote once approved.

State of Connecticut Department Of Emergency Services and Public Protections, Division of Emergency Management and Homeland Security Annual Resolution- Approve and Authorize First Selectmen to Sign

Arnold Jensen motioned to approve the State of Connecticut Department of Emergency Management and Homeland Security Annual Resolution and authorize the First Selectmen to sign.

Resolved- the Board of Selectmen May enter into with and deliver to the State of Connecticut Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection, Division of Emergency Management and Homeland Security, any and all documents which deems to be necessary or appropriate David McKane second motion. Motion carried.

Further Resolved- that George Temple, as First Selectmen of the Oxford Board of Selectmen, is authorized and directed to execute and deliver any and all documents on behalf of the Oxford Board of Selectmen and to do and perform all acts and things which he deems to be necessary or appropriate to carry out the terms of such documents.

David McKane second motion. Motion carried.

Discussion

Chief Scott Pelletier discussed the need for the new radios. Stating the inability to get parts to fix current radios. The difficulty to communicate with the town of Southbury as they are all digital. With the new radios they would be able to communicate with all area towns. Chief Scott Pelletier also stated he has gotten the best price for the radios. Jeff Luff discussed how much more funds are left in the ARPA fund.

ARPA Funding Request for \$222,00.00 for the Radio Purchase for the Fire Department

Arnold Jensen Motion to approve the Fire Departments request for ARPA funding, in the amount of \$222,000.00 for the purchase of Motorola radios as needed for the final upgrade in their four year project, as approved by the Oxford Space and ARPA Funds Advisory Committee at their meeting held on October 11, 2022. David McKane second motion. Motion carried.

ARPA Funding Request for \$64,000.00 for System Upgrade for Fire Department, Ambulance and Public Works

Arnold Jensen Motion to approve the request for ARPA funding, and the amount of \$64,000 in order to upgrade the main radio system used by the Fire Department, EMS and public works; as approved by the Oxford Space & ARPA Funds Advisory Committee at their meeting held on October 11, 2022. David McKane second motion. Motion carried.

ARPA Funding Request for \$25,000.00 for Water Pollution Control Authority for Town Lane Pump Station Upgrade Plans- Approve and Authorize Town Engineer to Prepare Drawings

Arnold Jensen motioned to approve the Water Pollution Control Authority's request for ARPA funding, in the amount of \$25,000.00 for installation of a 10 foot insertion valve at Towner Lane Pump Station; as approved by the Oxford Space & ARPA Funds Advisory Committee at their meeting held on October 11, 2022. David McKane second motion. Motion carried.

ARPA Funding Request Not to Exceed \$25,00.00 for Water Pollution Control Authority for Towner Lane Pump Station Insertion Valve Installation

Arnold Jensen motioned to approve the Water Pollution Control Authority's Request for ARPA funding, in the amount not to exceed of \$25,000.00, for Town Engineer Nafis & Young to prepare drawings and specs for the upgrading of the Towner Lane Pump Station; as approved by the Oxford Space & ARPA Funds Advisory Committee at their meeting held on a October 11, 2022. David McKane second motion. Motion carried.

ARPA Funding Request for \$17,500.00 for the Oxford Police Departments Trade-In/Purchase Of Firearms

Arnold Jensen motioned to approve the Police departments request for ARPA funding, in an amount not to exceed \$17,500 for the trade-in/purchase of firearms and holsters and flashlights; as approved by the Oxford Space & ARPA Funds Advisory Committee at their meeting held on October 11, 2022. David McKane second motion. Motion carried.

Madalene Taggart discussed briefly the need for new radios. Current radios are not working or not working properly. The new radios would be able to contact the hospital directly. Currently if a radio malfunctions a personal cell phone is used.

ARPA Funding Request for \$54,000.50 for Oxford Ambulance Radio Upgrades

Arnold Jensen Motioned to approve the Oxford Ambulance Association's Request for \$54,000.50, for radio upgrades as approved by the Oxford Space and ARPA Funds Advisory Committee at their meeting held on October 11, 2022. David McKane second motion. Motion carried.

ARPA Funding Request for \$65,326.00 for Oxford Ambulance Request for Lifepak 15, 2 Units

Arnold Jensen Motioned to approve the Oxford Ambulance Association's request for ARPA funding in the amount of \$65,326.00 for the purchase of Lifepak 15 (2 units) as approved by the Oxford Space & ARPA Funds Committee at their meeting held on October 11, 2022. David McKane second motion. Motion carried.

Renewal By Anderson's Peddlers Permit Application

Arnold Jensen motioned to approve the Peddlers Permit By Anderson with the following stipulations.

- 1) 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 ours

- 2) No soliciting in neighborhoods where it clearly states "no soliciting" such as, but not limited to OxfordGreen, Meadowbrook Estates, Riverbend Estates
- 3) All employees must have an identification badge
- 4) No soliciting on Sundays or Holidays

It is noted that this permit expires on 12/31/22 as in accordance with the Peddlers Permit ordinance

David McKane second motion. Motion carried.

On The Flip Side Temporary One-Day Peddlers Permit Application

No action required

Report of The First Selectmen

Discussions included the fundraising for Breast Cancer Awareness month. The selling of signs that are available for purchase. Welcoming Sergeant Gray as the residential state trooper. Sergeant Gray came from Troop 6. Oxford/Seymour food bank is looking for volunteers. This is a very important issue especially with the rising prices. Donations can be delivered to the Seymour location. This food bank is a combined Effort between Oxford/Seymour.

Arnold Jensen Motion to adjourn meeting at 8:47 PM. David McKane second motion. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted By

Kathleen Sundstrom

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Clerk

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TOWN OF OXFORD, CT
Sergeant A. West
TOWN CLERK