

**Board of Selectmen's  
Regular Meeting**

**Wednesday, October 4, 2017**  
**7:30 PM - Town Hall**

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by First Selectman George Temple, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present: First Selectman George Temple, Esq., Selectman Jeff Haney, Selectman Kathy Johnson, Joanne Pelton, Administrative Assistant

**ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES**

**1. 9/18/17 Special Meeting**

**MOTION:**

Jeff Haney moved to approve the 9/18/17 Special Meeting minutes as presented. This was seconded by Kathy Johnson. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

**2. 9/20/17 Regular Meeting**

**MOTION:**

Jeff Haney moved to approve the 9/20/17 Regular Meeting minutes as presented. This was seconded by Kathy Johnson. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

**AMENDMENT OF AGENDA**

**1. State of Connecticut Emergency Management Program Grant (EMPG) Resolution – Approve and Authorize First Selectman to Sign**

**MOTION:**

Jeff Haney moved to amend the agenda to add State of Connecticut Emergency Management Program Grant (EMPG) Resolution – Approve and Authorize First Selectman to Sign as Item #4 and move Report of First Selectman to Item #5. This was seconded by Kathy Johnson. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

## **APPOINTMENTS**

### **1. Library Planning & Building Committee Appointment**

#### **MOTION:**

Jeff Haney moved to appoint Faith Williams, of 6 Marian Lane, to the Library Planning & Building Committee with a term to commence immediately CONTINGENT UPON her resignation as the Library Planning & Building Committee Clerk. This was seconded by Kathy Johnson. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

Discussion: Faith Williams has been with this committee, knows the proceedings, and is familiar with what is going on. Chairman George Mitchell was excited about her being a part of the committee. Once she resigns from being the Clerk, we will decide on what to do for a replacement. This committee had a member who was not a resident.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **1. New Library Security System Installation – Approve Company**

#### **MOTION:**

Jeff Haney moved to approve Armed & Ready, of Oxford, for the installation, in the amount of \$3,885.00, and the monthly monitoring, in the amount of \$31.00 plus tax, of the security system in the new Oxford Library building; as presented and recommended by the Oxford Library Planning & Building Committee in their letter dated 9/28/17. This was seconded by Kathy Johnson. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

Discussion: First Selectman George Temple stated Armed & Ready does a good job and that he has no problem with them. They work very closely with the town.

### **2. FY 2016 – 2017 Transfer Requests**

#### **MOTION:**

Jeff Haney moved to approve the following FY 2016 – 2017 transfer requests as presented.

TO: Grant Writer	5480-511-161	\$17,436.45
FROM: Wages Secretary	5480-515-15	\$28.29
FROM: Wages Overtime	5480-521-1000	\$430.86
FROM: Business Development	5480-533	\$571.37
FROM: Civic Activities	5480-535	\$295.89
FROM: Conference and Meetings	5480-555	\$1,463.89

FROM: Board Clerk	5480-570-105	\$1,368.70
FROM: Professional Services	5480-570-129	\$500.00
FROM: Dues	5480-585	\$138.00
FROM: Education	5480-590	\$500.00
FROM: Finance Contingency	5320-560-5320	\$12,139.45

TO: Per Diem Personnel	5480-517-97	\$11,135.14
FROM: Finance Contingency	5320-560-5320	\$11,135.14

This was seconded by Kathy Johnson.

Discussion: Jim Hliva stated that at the Board of Finance meeting on Sept. 25, 2017, they had a motion with an amendment that the above items would come from the Selectman's salary account instead of Finance Contingency.

**MOTION:**

First Selectman George Temple moved to *table* this matter pending a ruling by Town Council. This was seconded by Jeff Haney. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

**3. FY 2016 – 2017 Appropriation Requests**

**MOTION:**

First Selectman George Temple moved to *table* this item until a ruling is made by Town Council.

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

**4. State of Connecticut Emergency Management Program Grant (EMPG) Resolution – Approve and Authorize First Selectman to Sign**

**MOTION:**

Jeff Haney moved to approve the following State of Connecticut Emergency Management Program Grant (EMPG) Resolution and authorize the First Selectman to sign; as presented and recommended by the Grant Writer in her letter dated 10/3/17:

**RESOLVED**, that the Oxford 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 it deems to be necessary or appropriate; and

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that George R. Temple as First Selectman 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 and appropriate to carry out the terms of such documents.

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

Discussion: Jim Hliva discussed that this was the old Civil Defense grant which is now the Emergency Management Grant, and that there is a reimbursement of 25% on expenses for the Emergency Management Director. Joanne Pelton stated that the 50% grant pays half of the Emergency Management Director's salary. This will be approximately \$6,500 per year.

5. **Report of First Selectman**

1. Connecticut Airport Authority will begin construction activities to remove vegetation obstruction at the Waterbury-Oxford Airport on the 33 acres of upland and 58 acres of wetlands vegetation obstruction. The project will start September 25, 2017, and be completed by spring of 2018 and be confined to the CAA property.
2. Kathy Johnson and George Temple went to the senior housing to see the new elevator lift installed. It cost \$33,000 and was donated through the Catherine Mathews Grant. America the Beautiful donated birch and dogwood trees which were also installed. The Board of Selectmen is happy that this problem was addressed. A special thank you to our Grant Writer for getting this done.
3. The Opioid Candlelight Vigil was well attended by approximately 200 people. There were various representatives from the different churches, the Police Department, the Superintendent of Schools, all of the Board of Selectmen, and everything was very well organized and ran smoothly. First Selectman Temple thanked everyone who came out and especially Sue Schiavi, Father Donnelly, and Joanne Pelton. There will be another meeting of the Opiate Committee which First Selectman Temple believes it will be on October 18, 2017 at 7 PM at Town Hall. Everyone is invited.
4. The bocce court grand opening ceremony will be held next Tuesday at 4 PM. The Girl Scouts did an amazing job. People can sign out the bocce balls with the Parks & Recreation Department. It would be very nice to see this used again.
5. The Library will be ready in February and is enclosed now. George Mitchell will be meeting with First Selectman Temple to discuss the progress. The Library will be open on weekends once it is completed.

## AUDIENCE OF CITIZENS

Faith Williams, of 6 Marian Lane, thanked the Board of Selectmen for appointing her to be on the Library Committee. She will hand in her resignation as the Committee Clerk to the Town Clerk by the end of this week. Ms. Williams had a question regarding the Opiate Committee, and asked First Selectman Temple why they don't have minutes since she doesn't always get to read the Voices, and it is a good way to find out information through the Town website to review minutes or to see when the next meeting is. If she did not come here tonight, she would not have known there was going to be a meeting on October 18<sup>th</sup>. First Selectman Temple gave his explanation of why he felt there should not be minutes. First Selectman Temple will talk it over at the next Opiate Committee meeting and get their feedback. There will be a meeting announcement on the website. First Selectman Temple thanked Faith Williams for offering to be on the Library Committee.

## ADJOURNMENT

### MOTION:

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

Respectfully submitted,



Lynda Romanowski  
Clerk, Board of Selectmen

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TOWN OF OXFORD, CT  
*Angela A. West*  
TOWN CLERK