

**Board of Selectmen's  
Regular Meeting**

**Wednesday, April 4, 2018**  
**7:30 PM - Town Hall**

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 PM and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present: First Selectman George Temple, Esq., Selectman Scott Flaherty, Kristyn Rosa,  
Administrative Assistant

Absent Selectman Jeff Haney

**ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES**

**1. 3/21/18 Regular Meeting**

**MOTION:**

Scott Flaherty moved to approve the 3/21/18 Regular Meeting minutes as presented. This was seconded by First Selectman George Temple. All 2 Ayes. Motion carries.

**AMENDMENT OF AGENDA**

None.

**APPOINTMENTS**

None.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**1. Josh McKim Certificate of Appreciation Presentation**

First Selectman George Temple presented Josh McKim a Certificate of Appreciation. Josh McKim, PGA at Oxford Greens has done a lot for the town. He has worked with Parks and Recreation to give free golf lessons for the kids in town as part of our program. He gives the Town of Oxford a lot and we really appreciate all the help he has given with working with the kids. Congratulations!

**2. Water Pollution Control Authority Corrosion Evaluation – Discuss Results**

Bob Farnum, 16 Barry Road, gave a brief synopsis on behalf of the Water Pollution Control Authority Corrosion results. He discussed Phase 1 of the Towner Lane Forced Main corrosion Location survey. He reported that there was no indication of eminent failure, and feels the remaining life may exceed over forty years. They did a limited number of locations and the corrosion was not too bad over these locations. The Water Pollution Control Authority recommends doing an additional inspection over the next 1-2 years to assess corrosion rates and additional inspections at 5 years to assess short-term corrosion rate. An estimated future cost for the year 2019 would be \$80,000 and then in the year 2021 would be another additional \$80,000. First Selectman George Temple recommended including this in the yearly budget. First Selectman Temple asked if this could be done on a 3 year basis. If it is not accelerated at this point, this is a good thing. Bob Farnum gave other options for lower cost alternatives. We are in a lot better shape than originally thought. The Board of Selectmen appreciates everything the Authority has done on this.

**3. Fire Fighters Certified Tax Abatements for 2017 – Approve**

**MOTION:**

Scott Flaherty moved to approve the Fire Fighters Certified Tax Abatements for 2017 (Attachment A) as presented by the Board of Fire Chiefs in their letter date 3/20/18. This was seconded by First Selectman George Temple. All 2 Ayes. Motion carries.

**4. Oxford Center Fire Company Use of Town Hall Parking Lot Request**

**MOTION:**

Scott Flaherty moved to approve the use of the Town Hall parking lot between the hours of 2:00 PM to 9:00 PM on Saturday, July 21, 2018 (rain date of July 22, 2018) for spectator parking during a Car Cruise Fundraiser event which is being held at the Oxford Center Firehouse; as requested in their letter dated 3/23/18. This was seconded by First Selectman George Temple. All 2 Ayes. Motion carries.

Discussion: First Selectman Temple stated that this is done every year to give more parking spaces for visitors to go to this event.

**5. Septic System Replacement Bid – Award Bid**

**MOTION:**

Scott Flaherty moved to award the Septic System Replacement Bid to Timothy J. Kraus & Son, LLC, of 49 Ancient Highway with a base bid of \$20,813.00, an Alternate 1 bid of

\$2,250.00, an Alternate 2 bid of \$1,100.00 for a total bid of \$24,163.00. This was seconded by First Selectman George Temple. All 2 Ayes. Motion carries.

Discussion: An email was sent that this was the lowest qualified bidder.

**6. Town Lawns and Fields Mowing & Maintenance – Award Bid**

**MOTION:**

Scott Flaherty moved to award the Town Lawns/Athletic Fields Mowing & Maintenance Bid to Tarantino Landscapes, of Bridgeport, for \$78,570.00. This was seconded by First Selectman George Temple.

Discussion: This is contrary to what the committee recommended. First Selectman Temple discussed how we came at this conclusion and that when the bid is split you consider both sides equally. This is the lowest bid for the field. First Selectman Temple had noted that the town had problems with this contractor at Aggie Park.

**MOTION:**

First Selectman George Temple moved to amend the above motion to reflect contingent upon correcting those deficiencies at Aggie Park as found by the committee, and be resolved prior to the award of this contract. This was seconded by Scott Flaherty.

Discussion: Our Town Attorney, Kevin Condon, did look over all of the contracts. First Selectman Temple discussed if we awarded it based on a lump sum, it is not fair to the others who bid on just the one item. By splitting the contractors, we get a better product in the long run. We will see how this all works out. The successful bidder must address the issues from before. First Selectman Temple stated there is a question as to the field at the middle school, but we will have to do what we have to in order to have that field come back also. This field is an asset and is in a good location.

All 2 Ayes, contingent upon the acceptance of the prior issues. Motion carries.

**7. Town Lawns and Fields Seeding & Fertilization – Award Bid**

**MOTION:**

Scott Flaherty moved to award the Town Lawns/Athletic Fields Fertilization & Seeding Bid to the Prestige Landscaping, of Oxford, for the amount of \$66,370.00. This was seconded by First Selectman George Temple. All 2 Ayes. Motion carries.

Discussion: First Selectman Temple stated that he did research on this and this is an Oxford company and all of the companies have a good reputation.

8. Hire Parks & Recreation Summer Maintainer

MOTION:

Scott Flaherty moved to hire Damian Prajer, of Oxford, as a Summer Parks & Recreation Maintainer at a pay rate of \$11.33 per hour and a start date of May 2, 2018; as presented and recommended by the Parks & Recreation Director in her letter dated 3/29/18. This was seconded by First Selectman George Temple. All 2 Ayes. Motion carries.

Discussion: Damian Prajer worked last year and did a great job and are looking forward to him coming back. First Selectman Temple stated Damian is a good kid and are looking to get good workers. We may hire another college kid also.

9. FY 2017 – 2018 Transfer Request for Septic System Replacement at Oxford Center Firehouse

MOTION:

Scott Flaherty moved to approve the following FY 2017 – 2018 transfer request for the Septic System Replacement project at Oxford Center Firehouse:

TO:	5325-613	Fire Facility Maintenance	\$26,163.00
FROM:	5320-560-5320	Finance Contingency	\$26,163.00

This was seconded by First Selectman George Temple. This matter will be forwarded to the Board of Finance. All 2 Ayes. Motion carries.

Discussion: This has already been to a Town meeting. Right now they are pumping the septic tanks twice per week. We really need to get going on this.

10. Report of First Selectman

1. Tomorrow we will be interviewing four finalists for the architect award for the middle school. First Selectman George Temple and Scott Flaherty have been all over the state and learned a lot about security and learned a lot about the approaches of these architects. At the next meeting the Board of Selectmen will select the architect and then the Construction Manager after that. We want to be sure it is done right.

2. First Selectman Temple reminded everyone about clean up week in Oxford. There is too much trash on the roads. First Selectman Temple reminded everyone to be careful when driving on the roads; there will be kids on the roads doing clean-ups, and other various groups doing clean-up.

3. A big thank you to the Parks & Recreation Department for hiding the Easter eggs in the field. It took 2 minutes and 6 seconds for the children to find 10,000 eggs. Scott Flaherty was filling in for First Selectman Temple and he really appreciates him helping out.

**AUDIENCE OF CITIZENS**

Paul Chipman, Seth Den Road stated the main problem with the athletic fields is water. If they are not watered you will never have a nice lawn. First Selectman Temple stated it is a concern of any field, and that we will be looking at drainage and irrigation.

**ADJOURNMENT**


**MOTION:**

Scott Flaherty moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 PM. This was seconded by First Selectman George Temple. All 2 Ayes. Motion carries.

Respectfully submitted,



Lynda Romanowski  
Clerk, Board of Selectmen

18 APR -9 PM 4:01  
TOWN OF OXFORD, CT  
  
TOWN CLERK

## FireFighters Certified for Tax Abatement

Calendar Year 2017

2018-005 Tax Abatement Final

TOTAL Calls		316	#Drills		12	Service Date		12/31/2016
25 percent of calls		79	50%		6			
10 percent of calls		32						
	Name	DOB	Service Date	Years	Drills	Drills	Amount	Payment
1	Aiello, Michael M.	9	07/14/15	1	53	X	\$500	Tax
2	Andrew, Ryan W.	6	09/10/07	9	79		\$1,000	Tax
3	Belinsky, Edward P.	6	03/04/02	14	89		\$1,000	Tax
4	Bernardini, Thomas R.	9	12/12/95	21	215		\$1,000	Tax
5	Blood, Ken C.	7	10/10/89	27	202		\$1,000	Tax
6	Bongiorno, Justin	9	03/04/13	3	175		\$1,000	Check
7	Calabrese, Joseph	7	07/10/06	10	104		\$1,000	Tax
8	Cone, Michael B	8	05/14/13	3	106		\$1,000	Tax
9	Conjiu, John M.	6	01/07/08	8	95		\$1,000	Tax
10	Coy, Andrew	11	01/05/96	20	262		\$1,000	Tax
11	Crouch, Timothy C.	9	11/10/15	1	78	X	\$500	Tax
12	Downs, John A. Jr.	12	07/09/79	37	229		\$1,000	Tax
13	Downs, Joshua	7	10/05/09	7	87		\$1,000	Check
14	Fette, Al R.	6	08/14/01	15	92		\$1,000	Tax
15	Galla, Joseph	8	01/15/97	19	96		\$1,000	Tax
16	Giacchi, Thomas D.	11	02/08/05	11	96		\$1,000	Tax
17	Gies, Jim	6	06/14/87	29	185		\$1,000	Tax
18	Gramigna, Daniel R.	9	09/11/06	10	141		\$1,000	Tax
19	Halstead, Scott D.	9	01/25/95	21	192		\$1,000	Tax
20	Hedge, Mathew D.	8	08/01/05	11	84		\$1,000	Tax
21	Hellauer Jr., Edward J	11	09/03/11	5	151		\$1,000	Tax
22	Hoffmann, Steven	6	04/14/14	2	69	X	\$500	Tax
23	Hylinski, Gary W.	6	11/12/03	13	86		\$1,000	Tax
24	Krassner, Mark P.	11	11/12/02	14	224		\$1,000	Tax
25	Krassner, Melissa M	6	08/14/12	4	80		\$1,000	Tax
26	Leake, Kyle E.	12	04/12/10	6	140		\$1,000	Check
27	Lesak, Jon C	6	04/08/13	3	93		\$1,000	Check
28	Luskay, Louis A. III	6	06/01/92	24	85		\$1,000	Tax
29	Mazzucco, Louis E.	8	11/14/77	39	184		\$1,000	Check
30	Munda, James A.	7	12/14/15	1	102		\$1,000	Tax
31	Muttick, George	7	03/06/06	10	104		\$1,000	Tax
32	Nash, Colin W.	11	12/25/02	14	92		\$1,000	Tax
33	Nelsen, Keith D.	9	01/01/96	20	41	X	\$500	Tax
34	Noll, Victor R.	9	01/04/82	34	130		\$1,000	Tax
35	Pelletier, Gary	7	10/01/91	25	111		\$1,000	Tax
36	Pelletier, Scott J.	12	10/24/79	37	352		\$1,000	Tax
37	Romeo, Matt	7	10/01/93	23	62	X	\$500	Tax
38	Ruane, Thomas P III	6	09/05/05	11	33	X	\$500	Tax
39	Silberkleit, Jay N.	7	08/11/01	15	194		\$1,000	Tax
40	Vizzo, Brian J.	6	01/09/06	10	73	X	\$500	Check
41	Wiemer, Daniel B.	6	09/12/05	11	91		\$1,000	Tax
	TOTAL						\$37,500	

## Future Costs

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2019 - \$80,000

2021 - \$80,000

# Qualifications

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Limited number of inspections (2) versus  
number of corrosion locations (100)  
reduces reliability of findings

Rate of corrosion not determined



**Towner Lane Forced Main**

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**Phase 2**

**Integrity Inspection**

# **Towner Lane Forced Main**

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## **Phase 1**

### **Corrosion Location**

### **Survey**