

Board of Selectmen
SPECIAL MEETING
September 20, 2011 – 5:00 PM
Town Hall
MINUTES

- 1.0 First Selectman Joyce Okonuk called the meeting to order at 5:03 pm. Selectmen John Bendoraitis and Linda Finelli and Administrative Assistant Patti Handy were also present. Audience: 7.

2.0 **Minutes**

- 2.1 Motion made by Bendoraitis, seconded by Finelli to approve the minutes from the August 2, 2011 Regular Meeting. Vote: Yes, unanimous.
- 2.2 Motion made by Finelli, seconded by Bendoraitis to approve the minutes from the August 16, 2011 Special Meeting. Vote: Yes, unanimous.
- 2.3 Motion made by Okonuk, seconded by Bendoraitis to approve the minutes from the August 25, 2011 Special Meeting. Vote: Yes (2), Okonuk and Bendoraitis, Abstain (1) Finelli. Motion carries.
- 2.4 Motion made by Finelli, seconded by Okonuk to approve the minutes from the September 13, 2011 Regular Meeting, amended as follows: Item 3.3 under New Business should read "*Motion made by Okonuk, seconded by Finelli to award the **contract** for the new International Plow Truck...*" Vote: Yes (2) Okonuk and Finelli, Abstain (1) Bendoraitis. Motion carries.

1.0 **Correspondence**

None

2.0 **New Business**

2.1 Phil Chester was present to request authorization to have the Town's attorney draft an agreement to transfer Industrial Park Road to Hyponex/Scotts Corporation. He explained in detail the reasons for his request. **Motion made by Finelli, seconded by Bendoraitis to have Attorney Ed O'Connell of Waller, Smith and Palmer create and negotiate an agreement between the Town and Hyponex/Scotts to transfer Industrial Park Road from the Town to Hyponex/Scotts Corporation and forward said agreement to the Planning & Zoning Commission for an 824 review. Vote: Yes, unanimous.** Any transfer of Town property must also be brought to a Town Meeting for approval.

2.2 Chester also gave the Selectmen an update regarding an appraisal for the 164-acre Anderson property on Randall and Sisson Roads. No action.

2.3 LVFD Fire Chief John Lyon and LVFD President Mark Elliott were present to request permission for the LVFD to continue to use the Aspinall House for training through December 2011, or beyond. Lyon and Elliott explained in detail the numerous uses of the building, and how valuable it has been for their training, as well as training for other area fire departments. They addressed concerns for safety and for distributing information to the public regarding the use of the building. **Motion made by Finelli, seconded by Bendoraitis to allow the LVFD to continue to use the Aspinall House for training purposes and to revisit the issue at their December meeting. Vote: Yes, unanimous.**

2.4 Alicia Wayland was present to request permission to apply for a grant from the Hugh Trumbull Adams Fund on behalf of the Jonathan Trumbull Jr. House. The funds are to be used to install insulation on basement ductwork, restoration of archival photographs, re-grading of the lawn and re-setting of the stone walkway. **Motion made by Okonuk, seconded by Bendoraitis to approve the application for a grant from the Hugh Leander Adams, Mary Trumbull Adams and Hugh Trumbull Adams Town Memorial Fund (the "Foundation") in the amount of \$15,765.00 for the purposes described above. Vote: Yes, unanimous.**

2.5 **Motion made by Finelli, seconded by Okonuk to purchase a Brother MFC-8890DW Laser Multi-function combination fax/copier machine for the Selectmen's Office with extended warranty and high capacity cartridge, in the amount up to \$800.00, funds to come from TIP. Vote: Yes, unanimous.**

2.6 Information was not available to discuss a change order for Waterman Road Bridge over Pease Brook. No action.

2.7 Town Handyman, John Dudek has identified a need for a water filter at the Senior Center due to excessive sediment. **Motion made by Okonuk, seconded by Bendoraitis to purchase and install a water filter at the Senior Center, in the amount up to \$1,000, funds to come from TIP non-discretionary. Vote: Yes, unanimous.**

2.8 The Selectmen discussed the need for additional emergency lighting at the Senior Center. Dudek consulted Fire Marshal Scott Schuett as to the needs for the building. Schuett said that although the building currently meets code requirements there are areas that should be lit for general safety and convenience in the event of a power outage. He recommended six additional lights be installed, at a cost of approximately \$30.00 per fixture plus installation. **Motion made by Okonuk, seconded by Bendoraitis to purchase and install up to six additional emergency lights for the Senior Center in the amount up to \$1,000.00, funds to come from TIP discretionary funds. Vote: Yes, unanimous.**

2.9 **Motion made by Okonuk, seconded by Finelli to sign a Resolution for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society recognizing September 2011 as Leukemia. Lymphoma & Myeloma Awareness month. Vote: Yes, unanimous. (See attached).**

3.0 **Old Business**

3.1 Jim Macauley, member of the Lebanon Energy Task Force Advisory Committee, was present to provide the Selectmen with an update on the Lebanon Marketing Agreement with Direct Energy and request permission to go forward with the agreement. Town Attorney, Ron Ochsner has provided his opinion on the agreement which the Selectmen discussed. **Motion made by Bendoraitis, seconded by Finelli to authorize the First Selectman to enter into a marketing agreement with Direct Energy Services, LLC based on the rate of 8.49/kwh (8.39/kwh for seniors 65+), contingent upon changes being made to address the Town Attorney's concerns. Vote: Yes, unanimous.**

4.0 **Appointments/Reappointments to, and Resignations from, Boards, Commissions and Committees**

4.1 **Motion made by Okonuk, seconded by Bendoraitis to appoint Don Anderson as a full member of the Zoning Board of Appeals to fill the vacancy left by the resignation of Michael Okonuk, as recommended by the Democratic Town Committee. The DTC specified that the filling of this vacancy will provide a term that will not expire at the next election this November but rather (by Statute) will continue to 11/2015 to complete the term that Okonuk was serving. Vote: Yes, unanimous.** Anderson is currently an alternate on the ZBA so this appointment will create a vacancy in that area.

5.0 **Motion made by Finelli, seconded by Bendoraitis to approve the following Tax Refunds for August 2011:**

Lazuk, Raymond or Lazuk, Kerri R.	\$46.10
Lopes, Amelia	\$10.00
Strano, Angelo	\$10.17

Vote: Yes, unanimous.

6.0 **Motion made by Finelli, seconded by Bendoraitis to adjourn the meeting at 6:35pm. Vote: Yes, unanimous.**

Respectfully Submitted,



Joyce R. Okonuk, First Selectman