

Board of Selectmen
SPECIAL MEETING
June 10, 2010 – 6:00 PM
Town Hall

MINUTES

- 1.0** First Selectman Joyce Okonuk called the meeting to order at 6:10 pm. Selectmen John Bendoraitis and Linda Finelli were also present. Audience: 1.
- 2.0** Motion made by Finelli, seconded by Bendoraitis to replace the cracked front steps with pre-cast concrete steps from Jolly Concrete for the Community Center in the amount of \$1,071.00, funds to come from Community Center Fund Balance, Account # 204-000-2290. Vote: Yes, unanimous.
- 3.0** Motion made by Finelli, seconded by Bendoraitis to award the contract for the removal of the front steps and the installation of new pre-cast concrete steps at the Community Center and for the replacement of the sidewalk at the Community Center pool, to Coit Excavating in the amount of \$2,780.00, funds to come from Community Center Fund Balance, Account # 204-000-2290. Vote: Yes, unanimous.
- 4.0** Motion made by Bendoraitis, seconded by Finelli to bring the Ordinance for the Establishment of Regional Animal Control Services to Town Meeting for approval. Vote: Yes, unanimous.
- 5.0** The Selectmen discussed the Regional Animal Control Services Memorandum of Understanding. Other than a couple minor questions that Okonuk will research, Selectmen were in favor of the MOU. No further action at this meeting.
- 6.0** The Selectmen discussed a recommendation from Craig Bradway of DCS Energy for the installation of solar panels on select municipal buildings. Bradway indicated that the Town Hall, Community Center, Senior Center, Jonathan Trumbull Library and Dog Pound are all potential solar sites. The next step is for Bradway to come out with his electrician and do an evaluation of capacity of the electrical system in each building. The Selectmen agreed that the Library would not be considered in the review as it would require the trimming of the large fir tree in front of the building that is decorated annually for Christmas. With these electricity-generating photo voltaic units, panels would be mounted on the roof, with enough space behind them to prevent over-heating. Finelli questioned the appearance of these units on the roofs of town buildings. Bendoraitis said that although they may look progressive, they should save on the cost of electricity for the town. Motion made by Bendoraitis, seconded by Finelli to request that Craig Bradway of DCS Energy do an electrical evaluation of the town's buildings that he identified in his recommendation (minus the Library), and provide feedback to the Selectmen. Vote: Yes, unanimous.
- 7.0** Motion made by Finelli, seconded by Bendoraitis to reappoint David Benjamin to the WPCA, term to end 5/01/13. Vote: Yes, unanimous.
- 8.0** Kara Fishman, Chair of the Energy Task Force Advisory Committee and First Selectman Okonuk provided an update on the Wind Turbine Project, including funding from the CCEF Community Innovation Grant (CIG) Project. Additional funds needed to complete the project include up to \$1,000.00 for the electrician, \$100.00 for a plaque and \$800.00 for the fence around the turbine tower. Fishman said that there is approximately \$1,500.00 left in the CIG Project. These project costs would be an eligible expenditure from the grant funds. Motion made by Bendoraitis, seconded by Finelli to commit up to \$900.00 in TIP funds to cover any remaining expenses related to the Wind Turbine Project. Vote: Yes, unanimous.
- 9.0** Motion made by Bendoraitis, seconded by Finelli to adjourn at 7:10pm. Vote: Yes, unanimous.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joyce R. Okonuk, First Selectman