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MINUTES
REPRESENTATIVE TOWN MEETING
Regular Meeting
February 3, 2020

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The February 3, 2020, Moderator Thomas Dembek called the Regular Meeting of the Representative Town Meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Greg Attanasio, Michael Bono, Jennifer Bracciale, April Cairns, Timothy Condon, Thomas J. Dembek, Susan Driscoll, Steven Elci, Timothy Fioravanti, Miriam Furey-Wagner, Nick Gauthier, Paul Goldstein, Kathleen Kohl, David Lersch, Valerie Metivier, Richard Morgan, Richard Muckle, Liam O'Leary, Theodore Olynciw, Sally Ritchie, Michael Rocchetti, Danielle Steward-Gelinas, Baird Welch-Collins.

ABSENT: Robert Swansen.

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS PRESENT: First Selectman Robert Brule; Chair of the Board of Education Craig Merriman; Chair of the Board of Finance Ronald R. Fedor.

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS ABSENT: Selectwoman Jody Nazarchyk; Selectman Elizabeth Sabilia.

ALSO PRESENT: Town Clerk David L. Campo; Town Attorney Robert Avena.

AGENDA ITEM C – December 2, 2019 Minutes

MOTION by Muckle, seconded by Welch-Collins, to accept the December 2, 2019, Regular Meeting Minutes.

VOTING IN FAVOR: Unanimous.

AGENDA ITEM D - CORRESPONDENCE:

A letter from Town attorney requesting that an amendment to the SCRRRA Ordinance be assigned to a committee for review. (See Attachment)

A letter from Superintendent of Schools Thomas Giard informing the Town that due to security reasons the RTM may have to move into executive to discuss a capital expenditure during budget hearings. (See Attachment)

AGENDA ITEM E - PUBLIC COMMENT:

Director of Planning Abby Piersall updated the body on the status of the boiler installation at the Community Center.

AGENDA ITEM F - COMMITTEE REPORTS

AGENDA ITEM G - LIAISON REPORTS

School Building Committee member Richard Muckle updated the RTM on the progress of the Girls'

Softball Field. Ground has been broken and the committee is hopeful that the field will be ready this spring.

Baird Welch-Collins inquired as to when the Long Range Fiscal Planning Committee will meet. Richard Muckle said that a meeting is in the works.

Thomas Dembek and Greg Attanasio gave a brief update on the Municipal Complex progress.

MOTION by Driscoll, seconded by Welch-Collins to move CALL ITEM 6 to the end of the meeting.

VOTING IN FAVOR: Unanimous.

AGENDA ITEM H – BUSINESS ON THE CALL

CALL ITEM 1 – Town Wide WIFI

PRESENTATION: Chairman of the Information Technology Committee Brett Mahoney

MOTION by Muckle, seconded by Discoll, to approve a recommendation from the Board of Finance for an appropriation in the amount of **\$25,000** from **Capital and Non-Recurring Designated Line Item #20547-57790 – (Town Wide WIFI)**, for the Library and Police Station.

VOTING IN FAVOR: Unanimous.

CALL ITEM 2 – Core Switches and Blades

PRESENTATION: Chairman of the Information Technology Committee Brett Mahoney

MOTION by Driscoll, seconded by Welch-Collins, to approve a recommendation from the Board of Finance for an appropriation in the amount of **\$21,200** from **Capital and Non-Recurring Designated Line Item #20547-57809 – Core Switches and Blades**.

VOTING IN FAVOR: Unanimous.

CALL ITEM 3 – Plan of Conservation and Development

PRESENTATION: Director of Planning Abby Piersall

MOTION by Driscoll, seconded by Goldstein, to approve a recommendation from the Board of Finance for an appropriation in the amount of **\$100,000** from **Capital and Non-Recurring Designated Line Item #20511-57840 – Plan of Conservation and Development**.

VOTING IN FAVOR: Unanimous.

CALL ITEM 4 – Real Estate Purchase at 13 Parkway Drive

PRESENTATION: Town Attorney Robert Avena

MOTION by Driscoll, seconded by Condon, to table until the April Meeting.

VOTING IN FAVOR: Unanimous

Town attorney reported that an issue with title existed and more time is required.

CALL ITEM 5 – Waterford Town Beach Parking Fees

PRESENTATION: Director of Recreation and Parks Brian Flaherty; Recreation and Parks Program Coordinator Kerry Sullivan.

MOTION by Driscoll, seconded by Muckle, to approve a recommendation from the Director of the Recreation and Parks Department, Brian Flaherty, for an increase to the Waterford Town Beach parking fees as presented. (See Attachment)

Lengthy discussion ensued.

MOTION by Driscoll, seconded by Condon, to adjust the presented fee schedule to apply tax only on beach stickers and accept the daily parking fees as presented.

MOTION withdrawn by Driscoll and Condon.

MOTION by Bono, seconded by Muckle, to table the topic until April to allow Recreation and Parks to compile additional information.

VOTING IN FAVOR: Unanimous.

CALL ITEM 6 – Budget Schedule

Item moved to the end. (See Above)

CALL ITEM 7- Utility Commission Presentation

PRESENTATION: Director of the Utility Commission Tali Soto

POWERPOINT presentation offered along with questions and answers.

CALL ITEM 8 – Executive Session

MOTION by Muckle, seconded by Condon that the RTM, along with Human Resources Director Joyce Sauchuk, First Selectman Rob Brule and Town Labor Attorney Eileen Duggan, go into executive session for the purpose of discussing strategy and/or negotiations with respect to current and pending collective bargaining with multiple bargaining units at 9:23 P.M. This action is taken without prejudice to the Town's right to discuss these matters in a private meeting pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §1-200 (2).

VOTING IN FAVOR: Unanimous.

MOTION by Muckle, seconded by Condon to come out of executive session at 9:57 P.M.

VOTING IN FAVOR: Unanimous. (No Votes Taken)

CALL ITEM 9 – School Building Committee

DISCUSSION ensued in order to clarify the terms.

MOTION by Goldstein, seconded by Olynciw, to nominate Thomas Dembek to the School Building Committee. (07/01/2017 – 06/30/2022)

MOTION by Driscoll, seconded by Welch-Collins, to nominate Ted Olynciw to the School Building Committee. (07/01/2017 – 06/30/2022)

VOTING in favor of Thomas Dembek: Bono, Bracciale, Cairns, Condon, Dembek, Goldstein, Lersch, Metivier, Morgan, Muckle, O'Leary, Olynciw, Rocchetti, Steward-Gelinas.

VOTING against Thomas Dembek: Attanasio, Driscoll, Elci, Fioravanti, Furey-Wagner, Gauthier, Kohl, Ritchie, Welch-Collins.

DEMBEK appointed to the School Building Committee, 14-9.

MOTION by Steward-Gelinas, seconded by Olynciw, to nominate Richard Muckle to the School Building Committee. (07/01/2017 – 06/30/2024)

MOTION by Driscoll, seconded by Welch-Collins, to nominate Ted Olynciw to the School Building Committee. (07/01/2019 – 06/30/2024)

VOTING in favor of Richard Muckle: Attanasio, Bono, Bracciale, Cairns, Condon, Dembek, Elci, Fioravanti, Furey-Wagner, Goldstein, Lersch, Metivier, Morgan, Muckle, O'Leary, Olynciw, Rocchetti, Steward-Gelinas.

VOTING against Richard Muckle: Driscoll, Gauthier, Kohl, Ritchie, Welch-Collins.

MUCKLE appointed to the School Building Committee, 18-5.

MOTION by Cairns, seconded by Bono, to nominate Liam O'Leary to the School Building Committee due to the resignation of Francisco Ribas. (07/01/2015 – 06/30/2020)

MOTION by Attanasio, seconded by Ritchie, to nominate Ted Olynciw to the School Building Committee.

(07/01/2015 – 06/30/2020)

VOTING in favor of Liam O'Leary: Bono, Bracciale, Cairns, Dembek, Goldstein, Lersch, Metivier, Morgan, Muckle, O'Leary, Rocchetti, Steward-Gelinas.

VOTING against Liam O'Leary: Attanasio, Condon, Driscoll, Elci, Fioravanti, Furey-Wagner, Gauthier, Kohl, Olynciw, Ritchie, Welch-Collins.

O'LEARY appointed to the School Building Committee, 12-11.

CALL ITEM 10 – Ethics Commission

MOTION by Muckle, seconded by Morgan, to nominate Mark Burnham to the Ethics Commission as a regular member. (02/03/2020 – 02/07/2022)

MOTION by Driscoll, seconded by Welch-Collins, to nominate Laurie Wolfley to the Ethics Commission. (02/03/2020 – 02/07/2022)

VOTING in favor of Mark Burnham: Bono, Bracciale, Cairns, Condon, Dembek, Goldstein, Lersch, Metivier, Morgan, Muckle, O'Leary, Rocchetti, Steward-Gelinas.

VOTING against Mark Burnham: Attanasio, Driscoll, Elci, Fioravanti, Furey-Wagner, Gauthier, Kohl, Ritchie, Welch-Collins.

BURNHAM appointed to the Ethics Commission, 13-9.

MOTION by Muckle, seconded by Morgan, to nominate Olga Bush to the Ethics Commission as a regular member. (02/03/2020 – 02/07/2022)

MOTION by Driscoll, seconded by Welch-Collins, to nominate Laurie Wolfley to the Ethics Commission. (02/03/2020 – 02/07/2022)

VOTING in favor of Olga Bush: Bono, Bracciale, Cairns, Condon, Dembek, Goldstein, Lersch, Metivier, Morgan, Muckle, O'Leary, Rocchetti, Steward-Gelinas.

VOTING against Olga Bush: Attanasio, Driscoll, Elci, Fioravanti, Furey-Wagner, Gauthier, Kohl, Ritchie, Welch-Collins.

BUSH appointed to the Ethics Commission, 13-9.

MOTION by Muckle, seconded by Morgan, to nominate Laurie Wolfley to the Ethics Commission as a regular member. (02/03/2020 – 02/07/2022)

VOTING in favor of Laurie Wolfley: Unanimous

CALL ITEM 11- Ethics Commission Alternate

MOTION by Muckle, seconded by Morgan, to nominate Cindy Hersom to the Ethics Commission as an alternate member. (02/03/2020 – 02/07/2022)

VOTING in favor of Cindy Hersom: Unanimous

CALL ITEM 6 – Budget Schedule

DISCUSSION ensued

MOTION by O'Leary, seconded by Bono, to adopt the schedule as presented. (See Attachment)

VOTING IN FAVOR: Unanimous.

NEW BUSINESS

MOTION by Muckle, seconded by Steward-Gelinas, to send the issue of "amendment to the SCRRA Ordinance" to the Public Works, Planning & Development Standing Committee of the RTM

VOTING IN FAVOR: Unanimous.

MOTION by Welch-Collins, seconded by Rocchetti to funnel any questions in regards to the Recreation & Parks Beach fees through your party leader, then on to the Town Clerk by Friday, February 7.

CONDON raised a concern that certain reports are not available to RTM members, but only to the First Selectman, from CCM any longer. Town Clerk will research the issue.

MOTION by Welch-Collins, seconded by Attanasio to adjourn at 10:51 P.M.

VOTING IN FAVOR: Unanimous.

Respectfully Submitted,

David L. Campo, CCTC
Town Clerk

Suisman Shapiro

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James F. Brennan

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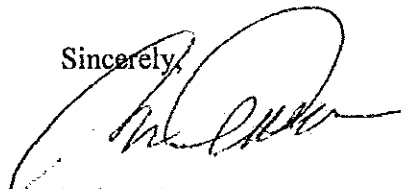
Thomas J. Dembek, RTM Moderator
Town of Waterford
15 Rope Ferry Road
Waterford, CT 06385

RE: SCRRRA Ordinance Amendment

Dear Tom:

Enclosed please find a copy of the amendment to the SCRRRA Ordinance.
Please forward to the appropriate Standing Committee of the RTM for consideration
and review.

Sincerely,



Robert A. Avena
Waterford Town Attorney

RAA/lap
Enclosure

cc: David Campo, Town Clerk

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1/23/20

TO: Robert J. Brule, First Selectman
✓ Thomas J. Dembek, Chair, Representative Town Meeting
Ronald R. Fedor, Chair, Board of Finance

FROM: Thomas W. Giard III, Superintendent of Schools *TWGi*

DATE: January 23, 2020

RE: Capital Improvement Plan – School Security Measures

In our capital request, The Board of Education has included school security items. I do not recommend discussing detailed information in our school security request in public, including some of the backup information for security reasons. Under FOIA in Connecticut, many school security topics can be discussed in executive session.

"The FOIA permits executive session for discussions of "matters concerning security strategy or the deployment of security personnel, or devices affecting public security." Connecticut General Statutes §1-200(6)(C). As such, a discussion of the layout of the district's security system, specifically the best types of security devices to use to secure a building and where these devices should be located, would be covered by this executive session provision. *Brazzell v. Stratford Boothe Park Commission*, #FIC 1990-254 (January 23, 1991). **Please note:** Any votes that may need to be cast with respect to the security plan or strategy would have to take place in public." Source: Pullman and Comley Law, Hartford, CT

I'd ask that any specific questions about the school security request be considered for executive session.

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REPRESENTATIVE TOWN MEETING BUDGET HEARINGS

FY 2020-21

Town Hall Auditorium

7:00 P.M.

MONDAY MAY 4

Board of Education

TUESDAY MAY 5

Ethics Commission

Conservation of Health

Public Health Nursing

Social Services Grants/Review

Registrar of Voters

Tax Collector

Youth Services Bureau

Board of Assessment Appeals

Assessor

Contingency

Debt Service

Insurance

Town Clerk

Representative Town Meeting

THURSDAY MAY 7

Retirement Commission

Waterford Public library

Senior Citizens Commission

Finance Department

Human Resources Department

Board of Finance

Legal Department

Emergency Management

Board of Police Commissioners

Information Technology

Current Year Capital Improvements

Transfers to Capital & Nonrecurring Expenditure Fund

FINAL ACTION

WEDNESDAY MAY 6

Zoning Board of Appeals

Economic Development Commission

Conservation Commission

Planning and Zoning Commission

Flood and Erosion Control Board

Building Department

Building Maintenance

Recreation and Parks Commission

Community Use of Schools

Fire Services

Board of Selectmen

Public Works

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