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ATTEST: *David L. Casper*
TOWN CLERK

MINUTES
BOARD OF SELECTMEN REGULAR MEETING
Tuesday, February 20, 2024
5:00 PM
Waterford Town Hall (Appleby Room)

(Procedural Action: Check register to be signed by the Board of Selectmen in accordance with CGS 7-83)

1. **Call to Order & Roll Call:** 5:00 pm,
In attendance: Rob Brule & Rich Muckle
Absent: Greg Attanasio
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Public Comment:**
 - 3a. Bob Nye 96 Rope Ferry Rd regarding Municipal Historian
 - 3b. John Valliere 294 Millstone Road East regarding Data Center.

4. **Additional Appropriation – Employee Payouts:** To consider and act on a request for a FY24 additional appropriation, for an Employee Payout to line #10136-51210 (Clerical and Technical), from the Library Director, Christine Johnson, in the amount of \$16,993 and forward on to the Board of Finance if approved.

MOTION by Muckle, seconded by Brule, VOTING IN FAVOR: 2-0 PASSED

5. **Additional Appropriation – Employee Payouts:** To consider and act on a request for a FY24 additional appropriation, for an Employee Payout to line #10145-51210 (Clerical/Technical), from the Human Resources Director, Christine Walters, in the amount of \$18,795 and forward on to the Board of Finance if approved.

MOTION by Muckle, seconded by Brule, VOTING IN FAVOR: 2-0 PASSED

6. **Public Works Department:** To consider and act on the following request for a FY24 In-Series Transfer from the Public Works Director, Gary Schneider, in

the amount of \$7,500 to cover the expense of a credit card reader for the transfer station.

MOTION by Muckle, seconded by Brule, VOTING IN FAVOR: 2-0 PASSED

7. **Emergency Management Performance Grant:** To consider and act upon the following resolution “resolved, that the 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 Robert Brule, as First Selectman of the Town of Waterford, is authorized and directed to execute and deliver any and all documents on behalf of the Town of Waterford and to do and perform all acts and things which he/she deems to be necessary or appropriate to carry out the terms of such documents. The undersigned further certifies that Robert Brule now holds the office of First Selectman and that he/she has held that office since November 2019”, for reimbursement of a portion of the Emergency Management Director’s salary with a 50% Town match.

MOTION by Muckle, seconded by Brule to amend the motion and remove “The undersigned further certifies that Robert Brule now holds the office of First Selectman and that he/she has held that office since November 2019.” VOTE 2-0

MOTION by Muckle, seconded by Brule to accept the amended motion, VOTING IN FAVOR: 2-0 PASSED

MOTION by Muckle, seconded by Brule, VOTING IN FAVOR: 2-0 PASSED

8. **Planning and Zoning-Conservation Easement:** To consider and act on a request to initiate acceptance of the conservation easement at 109R & 131 Clark Lane, in accordance with section 2.52.060 of the Code of Ordinances subject to approval by the Town Attorney of the final Easement Documents and forward on to the RTM, through the Moderator (for informational purposes only, no RTM action required per ordinance).

MOTION by Muckle, seconded by Brule, VOTING IN FAVOR: 2-0 PASSED

9. **Fire Services:** To consider and act on the following request for a FY24 Out-of-Series Transfer from the Director of Fire Services, Michael Howley, in the amount of \$24,000 to cover repairs forward on to the Board of Finance if approved.

MOTION by Muckle, seconded by Brule, VOTING IN FAVOR: 2-0 PASSED

10. **Appropriation – Fire Services:** To consider and act on a request for a FY24

appropriation, toward Capital Non-Recurring designated line #20523-57838 (Fire Pre Emption Light Project), from the Director of Fire Services, Michael Howley, in the amount of \$50,000 and forward on to the Board of Finance if approved.

MOTION by Muckle, seconded by Brule, VOTING IN FAVOR: 2-0 PASSED

11. Additional Appropriation – Employee Payouts: To consider and act on a request for a FY24 additional appropriation, for an Employee Payout to line #10129-51420 (Patrol), from the Chief of Police, Marc Balestracci, in the amount of \$14,893 and forward on to the Board of Finance if approved.

MOTION by Muckle, seconded by Brule, VOTING IN FAVOR: 2-0 PASSED

12. Board of Selectmen: To consider and act on the following request for a FY24 Out-of-Series Transfer from the First Selectman, Robert Brule, in the amount of \$1,396 to cover repairs forward on to the Board of Finance if approved.

MOTION by Muckle, seconded by Brule, VOTING IN FAVOR: 2-0 PASSED

13. Appointments & Resignations:

13a. To consider and act on the re-appointment of Joseph DiBuono (R) to the Planning & Zoning Commission to fill the term of 7/1/24-6/30/27 as an alternate.

MOTION by Muckle, seconded by Brule, VOTING IN FAVOR: 2-0 PASSED

14. New Business:

14a. First Selectman Brule received an email from John Valliere regarding the Data Center. First Selectman Brule responded with a letter and email to Mr. Valliere. It will be added as correspondence at the next Board of Selectman meeting.

14b. Quaker Hill sign concerns – First Selectman Brule met with the Emergency Management Director and two Quaker Hill residents to discuss the LED sign.

15. Old Business: NONE

16. Correspondence:

16a. FY24 2nd Quarter Capital Report

16b. Lisa Kuntz – Data Center letter

17. Consent Agenda

17a. Tax Refund: To approve and act on repayment of tax refund in the amount of \$13,808.87

MOTION by Muckle, seconded by Brule, VOTING IN FAVOR: 2-0 PASSED

17b. Board of Selectmen Regular Meeting Minutes January 23, 2024
MOTION by Muckle, seconded by Brule, VOTING IN FAVOR: 2-0 PASSED

17c. Board of Selectmen Special Meeting Minutes February 1, 2024
MOTION by Muckle, seconded by Brule, VOTING IN FAVOR: 2-0 PASSED

17d. Board of Selectmen Budget Meeting Minutes January 31, 2024
MOTION by Muckle, seconded by Brule, VOTING IN FAVOR: 2-0 PASSED

17e. Board of Selectmen Budget Meeting Minutes February 1, 2024
MOTION by Muckle, seconded by Brule, VOTING IN FAVOR: 2-0 PASSED

17f. Board of Selectmen Budget Meeting Minutes February 5, 2024
MOTION by Muckle, seconded by Brule, VOTING IN FAVOR: 2-0 PASSED

17g. Board of Selectmen Budget Meeting Minutes February 6, 2024
MOTION by Muckle, seconded by Brule, VOTING IN FAVOR: 2-0 PASSED

18. Adjournment: 5:24 pm
MOTION by Muckle, seconded by Brule, VOTING IN FAVOR: 2-0 PASSED