

SUBJECT TO APPROVAL

MEETING DATE: MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2017
6:00 P.M.

MEETING PLACE: TOWN CAMPUS ROOM A

BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES

6:00 p.m. Executive Session

First Selectman Banisch called the Regular Session of Monday, February 27, 2017 to order at 6:01 p.m. Present were First Selectman Banisch, Selectman Goldberg, Selectman Hale, Selectman Murphy and Selectman Wilson.

On a motion from Selectman Goldberg and second from Selectman Wilson, the Board voted unanimously to enter into Executive Session at 6:02 p.m. Invited in were Dave Anderson Director of Land Use & Economic Development; Ira Bloom, Town Attorney; Ryan Driscoll, Town Attorney.

1. Discussion Pending Litigation .

On a motion from Selectman Murphy and second from Selectman Wilson, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn to Regular Session at 6:50 p.m.

7:00 p.m. Regular Session

1. Pledge of Allegiance

First Selectman Banisch led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Approval of minutes

MOVED by Selectman Hale and seconded by Selectman Wilson to **APPROVE** the minutes of the Board of Selectmen Meeting held on February 13, 2017.

VOTE: This motion was approved unanimously.

3. First Selectman's Comments:
Reserved for the end of the meeting.
4. Citizen Comments:

Maureen Lopes of Old Farms Road stated that she was following up on the advisory notices sent out by the Governor last Thursday regarding safety concerns and interactions with ICE officials. She stated that the Town should be particularly concerned with ICE showing up at the schools and the Town should have a plan. First Selectman Banisch

stated that he sent the notices to the Superintendent and the Police Chief last week. Ms. Lopes stated that she would be attending these meetings next week as well.

Michael DelVecchia of Copse Road stated that the Town should consider changing the parking pattern at Stop and Shop especially given the fatal accident that occurred in the parking lot recently. He stated that he was certain that number of parking spaces could be preserved even with changing the back-up pattern. First Selectman Banisch encouraged Mr. DelVecchia to attend the Board of Police Commissioners Meeting(s).

OLD BUSINESS

5. Update on the Shoreline Greenway Trail expansion.

DISCUSSION: Ginny Raff (title) stated that there is a balance of funding in the amount of roughly \$650,000. Also, there are also grant opportunities available to the Town. She stated that the Town only needs to pay for the salary of the employee(s) that work on this project. Ms. Raff stated that there has been \$140,000 in donations received for the trail from roughly 618 families. The Hammonasset section has had 100 or more volunteers working on the trail. Ms. Raff also noted the organizations which have donated to the trail. Beginning in January, the trail became part of the state's trail census which totals the usage of the trail. She stated that the trail has the potential to go from New Haven to the Connecticut River. Ms. Raff noted that the trail is an asset for economic development and attracting new residents. However, if construction isn't underway by 2019, the funding is in jeopardy of being lost.

PUBLIC HEARING

There being no objections, the Board of Selectmen adjourned to Public Hearing at 7:15 p.m.

The purpose of this meeting was to hear comment on:

1. The 2017 Small Cities Community Development Program Application process for Concord Meadows Retirement Community.

Citizen Comments: None.

2. Revising Town Ordinances governing Fire Prevention and Protection, Chapter 8 Articles I and II.

Citizen Comments: None.

There being no objections, the Board of Selectmen adjourned back to the Regular Session at 7:17 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS

6. Update from the WPCA Committee.

DISCUSSION: Chairman Tom Hansen provided an overview of the work of the WPCA. Mr. Hansen noted that residences and businesses in Madison rely on septic systems for wastewater services. The WPCA oversees water pollution control policies and the wastewater facilities plan. Mr. Hansen emphasized the need for a long term plan that looks to the future of the Town's needs. For instance, there are limitations for septic systems especially when there are too many in one area, or when systems are undersized for current use. The WPCA therefore suggests establishing Wastewater Management Districts for sensitive areas and for the Town to consider adopting enhanced septic system standards. Also, the Town can consider nitrogen removal technologies. Overall, the suggestion is to have local control that is specific to Madison.

Selectman Goldberg questioned what resources were needed from the Town to move forward with the suggestions of the WPCA. Mr. Hansen stated that the Town needs to conduct a study and the WPCA has requested \$100,000 for this study. He noted that the process is lengthy.

Thomas Lee of 17 Bradley Road questioned the level of nitrogen in the water now, compared to what it should be; and also what level is of serious concern for the residents. Mr. Hansen stated that these were questions that would be answered by the study the WPCA hopes to commission.

Selectman Murphy questioned if there were any risks for drinking water in residences. Mr. Hansen responded that nitrate accumulation in the groundwater is not generally an issue in Madison; particularly in North Madison where water comes from deep wells. The section of Town south of Green Hill Road is on a public water supply system so they wouldn't be affected, either.

John Paulson of Beaver Pond stated that he owns property on Cape Cod and this is a major issue in that area. He stated that there is a question only of when the Town should address this matter, not if the Town should address it. He stated that he strongly supported moving forward with the study.

Mr. Lee questioned if there were other chemicals that showed up in the wastewater besides nitrogen. Mr. Hansen responded that the nitrate is what leeches into the groundwater.

7. Discuss and take action to approve the Salt Meadow Park Naming Policy.

DISCUSSION: First Selectman Banisch stated that the policy was approved by the Beach and Recreation Commission.

MOVED by Selectman Hale and seconded by Selectman Wilson to **APPROVE** the Salt Meadow Park Naming Policy.

VOTE: This motion was approved unanimously.

8. Discuss and take action to award the bid for Underground Tank Removals at Jeffrey Elementary School, Island Elementary School to the low bidder, ETT Environmental

Services; and to award the bid for the Underground Tank Removal at Polson Middle School to ETT Environmental Services, pending approval of the 2017-2018 Budget.

MOVED by Selectman Wilson and seconded by Selectman Hale to **APPROVE** awarding the bid for Underground Tank Removals at Jeffrey Elementary School, Island Elementary School to the low bidder, ETT Environmental Services; and to award the bid for the Underground Tank Removal at Polson Middle School to ETT Environmental Services, pending approval of the 2017-2018 Budget.

VOTE: This motion was approved unanimously.

MOVED by Selectman Murphy and seconded by Selectman Hale to **APPROVE** the pricing of the above awards: removal of underground tanks at Jeffrey and Island Elementary School totaling \$39,400 plus the unit price of excavating contaminated soil (\$25 per cubic yard), disposal of contaminated soil (\$175 per cubic yard) and back fill (\$40.70 per cubic yard); and the removal of the Polson underground tank in the amount of \$23,200 with same unit costs for contaminated soils.

VOTE: This motion was approved unanimously.

9. Discuss and take action to award the RFP for the 2017 Small Cities Community Development Program Application process for Concord Meadows Retirement Community.

DISCUSSION: Selectman Goldberg confirmed that the RFP process was followed.

MOVED by Selectman Wilson and seconded by Selectman Murphy to **APPROVE** awarding the RFP for the 2017 Small Cities Community Development Program Application process for Concord Meadows Retirement Community.

VOTE: This motion was approved with four votes in favor and one abstention from Selectman Hale.

- 9b. **MOVED** by Selectman Hale and seconded by Selectman Wilson to **APPROVE** opening the agenda to add item 9a as follows:

Discuss and take action to approve a Proclamation Honoring the Girl Scouts of Connecticut and naming March 12, 2017 Girl Scout Day in Madison, CT.

VOTE: This motion was approved unanimously.

MOVED by Selectman Murphy and seconded by Selectman Hale to **APPROVE** a Proclamation Honoring the Girl Scouts of Connecticut and naming March 12, 2017 Girl Scout Day in Madison, CT.

VOTE: This motion was approved unanimously.

10. Discuss and take action to approve revisions to Town Ordinances governing Fire Prevention and Protection, Chapter 8 Articles I and II.

MOVED by Selectman Hale and seconded by Selectman Murphy to **APPROVE** revisions to Town Ordinances governing Fire Prevention and Protection, Chapter 8 Articles I and II.

VOTE: This motion was approved unanimously.

11. The following line transfers are designated as routine and appropriate for approval as a single action by the Board of Selectmen, if so desired. A board member may request removal of any line transfer item from the consent agenda for review and discussion.

Motion: To approve Line Transfers totaling **\$900.00**.

MOVED by Selectman Goldberg and seconded by Selectman Hale to **APPROVE** Line Transfers totaling **\$900.00**.

VOTE: This motion was approved unanimously.

12. Discuss and take action to approve the resignation of Stephanie Hoffman from the Youth and Family Services Board.

MOVED by Selectman Hale and seconded by Selectman Murphy to **APPROVE** the resignation of Stephanie Hoffman from the Youth and Family Services Board with thanks from the Board of Selectmen.

VOTE: This motion was approved unanimously.

13. Appointments:

Tim Burton to the Rockland Preserve Committee for a term to expire January 1, 2021.

Pamela Davies to the Youth Services Board for a term to expire January 1, 2019.

Robert Xeller to the Youth Services Board for a term to expire January 1, 2020.

MOVED by Selectman Murphy and seconded by Selectman Hale to **APPROVE** the above appointments.

VOTE: This motion was approved unanimously.

14. Tax abatements / refunds:
None.

15. Citizens comments

Mr. DelVecchia stated that there were new guidelines in Pennsylvania which mandate that the Board of Selectmen should be referred to as the Selectboard.

26. Liaison Reports/Selectmen Comments

Al Goldberg	Pension Committees
Bob Hale	BOE
Scott Murphy	MY&FS, Library Fundraiser
Tom Banisch	Madison Youth Basketball

The committee agreed to cancel the Budget Workshop on Tuesday, February 28, 2017 and to start the Budget Workshop on Thursday, March 2, 2017 at 8:30 a.m.

27. Adjournment

There being no objections, First Selectman Banisch adjourned the meeting at 8:01 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lauren Rhines
Executive Assistant