

**TOWN OF SOMERS
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, December 15, 2011
6:00PM
Selectmen's Conference Room**

Call to order: First Selectman Lisa Pellegrini called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

Members present: First Selectman Lisa Pellegrini, Selectmen Kathy Devlin and Budd Knorr. Town Clerk Ann Logan and CFO Kim Marcotte arrived after the meeting started.

Pledge of Allegiance: All members participated in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Elderly Advisory Commission Discussion:

Mrs. Pellegrini announced that members of the Elderly Advisory Commission were unable to attend but emailed their suggestions and comments to her regarding the Human Services Director position. The Board of Selectmen reviewed the emails and discussed how the programs could be better managed. The Board of Selectmen discussed bringing in a volunteer for Social Services to assist with the ACCESS process.

Boards and Commissions:

Mrs. Pellegrini presented a legal opinion from the Town Attorney on the membership of the Civil Preparedness Advisory Council based on questions from the Town Clerk and the Selectman.

The Board of Selectmen requested the Town Clerk attend briefly to discuss term expatriations for the pension committee, Special Projects Committee and Cable Committee.

Appointments:

Mrs. Pellegrini made a motion to appoint Charles Daniel Thayer, Jr as the Emergency Management Director of the Civil Prep Advisory Council with a term expiration of 12/22/12, seconded by Mrs. Devlin. A unanimous vote followed.

Resignations:

Mrs. Pellegrini announced the resignation of Ms. Lori Carenzo of the Recreation Commission and the resignation of Mr. Jordan Chatis of the Elderly Advisory Commission. Mr. Chatis' resignation goes into effect 1/1/2012.

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to accept the resignations of Ms. Lori Carenzo and Mr. Jordan Chatis, seconded by Mr. Knorr. A unanimous vote followed.

Authorization of Scheduled Payments:

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to approve the authorization of Scheduled payments of \$446,305.23, seconded by Mr. Knorr. A unanimous vote followed.

At this time Mr. Knorr left the meeting to attend to an appointment.

Transfers/Appropriations:**Transfer:****Dept: Tax Collector**

Transfer to:

<u>Advertising</u>	<u>100-0013-010-0540-5-00</u>	<u>\$107.00</u>
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Transfer From:

<u>Postage</u>	<u>100-0013-010-0535-5-00</u>	<u>\$107.00</u>
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Transfer**Dept: Library**

Transfer To:

<u>Building Maintenance</u>	<u>100-5021-060-0614-5-00</u>	<u>\$2,000.00</u>
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Transfer From:

<u>Heat</u>	<u>100-5021-060-0624-5-00</u>	<u>\$2,000.00</u>
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Transfer**Dept: Fire Marshall**

Transfer To:

<u>Uniforms</u>	<u>100-2010-020-0535-5-00</u>	<u>\$50.00</u>
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Transfer From:

<u>Postage</u>	<u>100-2010-020-0535-5-00</u>	<u>\$50.00</u>
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Mrs. Devlin made a motion to approve the above listed transfers, seconded by Mrs. Pellegrini. The motion passed.

Selectman's Update:

Mrs. Pellegrini received a letter from Deputy Chief Frank Falcone requesting to sell the old fill station to the Acton, Maine Fire Department for the amount of \$ 2,000.00.

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to approve the request to sell the fill station to the Acton, Maine Fire Department for the sum of \$ 2,000.00, seconded by Mrs. Pellegrini. The motion passed.

Mrs. Pellegrini announced that Ann Marie Logan, Town Clerk will be attending the intergovernmental preparedness for Essential Records training on January 19, 2012 from 9am to 4pm. This training helps prepare employees to protect records before, during and after disaster and other emergencies.

Mrs. Pellegrini requested authorization to sign the Cooperation agreement for payment in Lieu of taxes ("PILOT") between the town of Somers and the Woodcrest Elderly Housing Phase II Limited Partnership.

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to authorize Mrs. Pellegrini to sign the Cooperation Agreement for payment in Lieu of taxes ("PILOT") between the town of Somers and the Woodcrest Elderly Housing Phase II Limited Partnership, seconded by Mrs. Pellegrini. The motion passed.

CRCOG Applications for CMAQ Federal Funding:

Mrs. Pellegrini announced that CRCOG is accepting applications for projects using Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) Federal Funding at the Rt. 190 and Rt. 83 intersection. The project cost that CRCOG figured with the rt 190 corridor study was \$1,600,000.00. The Towns cost share is 20% or \$320,000.00 which would be covered by LoCIP funds.

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to proceed with the application for the project for the Federal funding Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program, seconded by Mrs. Pellegrini. The motion passed.

Opportunity to add agenda items:

Transfer Station: Mrs. Pellegrini presented an annual cost breakdown with 2 options reducing the hours at the transfer station.

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to accept and approve reducing the hours/days to Wednesdays and Saturdays at the Transfer station effective January 1, 2012, seconded by Mrs. Pellegrini. The motion passed.

The Board of Selectmen discussed hiring a part-time clerical person to record meetings for Boards and Commissions. Board of Selectmen to revisit after the first of the year.

Mrs. Devlin asked the Board of Selectmen if they would be interested in using interns from Baypath College for any upcoming projects. Mrs. Devlin also invited Mrs. Pellegrini to visit Baypath for Career night. Mrs. Pellegrini was pleased to accept the invitation.

Approval of Minutes:

Regular Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes December 1, 2011.

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to approve the Regular Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes for December 1, 2011, seconded by Mrs. Pellegrini. The motion passed.

Adjournment:

Mrs. Pellegrini made a motion to adjourn the Board of Selectmen meeting at 7:50pm, seconded by Mrs. Devlin. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kim LaFleur – Recording

Minutes are not official until accepted at a subsequent meeting.