

**TOWN OF SOMERS
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, December 18, 2014
10:30am
Selectmen's Conference Room**

Call to Order: Selectman Lisa Pellegrini called the meeting to order at 10:30am.

Members Present: First Selectman Lisa Pellegrini and Selectman Kathy Devlin. Also in attendance were Town Attorney Carl Landolina and David Reed- Chairman of the Economic Development Commission, Todd Rolland- Director of Public Works and Christopher Boucher- Recreation Coordinator Candidate. Selectman Bud Knorr was not available.

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

Selectmen's Update:

Fiber Optic Cable:

Ms. Pellegrini stated that she had submitted the Town of Somers Addendum for the Connecticut Municipalities Broadband Infrastructure Upgrade Expansion Project RFQ.

Brownfield Grant:

Ms. Pellegrini shared with the Board that Todd Rolland, Timothy Kradas and Kim LaFleur had attended a (DECD) Department of Economic and Community Development Brownfield Client Workshop on December 10th at Goodwin College in East Hartford. Town Attorney Carl Landolina is reviewing the documents from DECD and included in the grant package is a resolution that will need to be approved.

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to approve the attached Resolution authorizing First Selectman Lisa Pellegrini to execute documents related to a State of Connecticut Brownfield Assistance Grant, seconded by Ms. Pellegrini. The motion passed.

Invitation to test future DEEP Brownfields Website:

Ms. Pellegrini was pleased to share with the Board that the Town of Somers was invited by DEEP to participate in the Beta Test of a new DEEP Brownfields Website that will be unveiled in the future. She and Timothy Kradas participated in the testing of the new website.

Unfunded Mandates MS-4 Public Hearing:

Ms. Pellegrini updated the Board that the Town is very active in voicing its concern in regard to the new MS-4 proposed regulations. The proposed regulations would cost the town over \$400,000 in unfunded mandates. Ms. Pellegrini has been working with CCM in discussions with DEEP and has participated in a recent press conference. In addition, Todd Rolland and Jeff Bord attended the MS-4 Public Hearing in Hartford to support the Town. It is expected that DEEP will work with the Towns and scale back the proposed regulations.

Staffing:

Ms. Pellegrini received a recommendation from the CFO with a request to hire Ms. Sarah Foley as a temporary part time Financial Intern through the Bay Path University Internship Program starting in January 2015.

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to approve the hiring of Sarah Foley as a temporary part time Financial Intern through the Bay Path University Internship Program starting in January 2015, seconded by Ms. Pellegrini. The motion passed.

Ms. Pellegrini received a recommendation from Todd Rolland, Director of Public Works to hire Christopher Boucher as the new Recreation Coordinator. Ms. Pellegrini introduced Christopher to the

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to approve the hiring of Christopher Boucher as the Town's Recreation Coordinator, seconded by Ms. Pellegrini. The motion passed.

Economic Development Commission Recommendation to the Board of Selectmen Regarding Interim Improvements to Intersection of Route 190 and Route 83.

David Reed, Chairman of the Economic Development Commission, presented to the Board of Selectman recommendations to improve traffic flow at the intersection of Route 83 and Route 190. The changes include interim fixes before the eventual reconstruction of the intersection and include recommendations to re-time the traffic light, allowance for a right turn on red and the shifting of the center line. Mr. Reed requested the support of the Local Traffic Authority. The Selectmen suggested that Mr. Reed work with Todd Rolland and Lt. Jose Claudio to finalize a written list of proposals and Ms. Pellegrini will submit them to the appropriate State departments and to our senator and state representative.

Mrs. Devlin made a motion that the Local Traffic Authority support, with final recommendations from DPW and the Police Department, the recommendations made by the Economic Development Commission to ease traffic flow on Routes 190 and 83 and to submit such recommendations to the appropriate state departments for review, seconded by Mrs. Pellegrini. The motion passed.

Boards and Commissions:

Reappointments:

Board/Comm	Member	Term Exp
Adv Comm to Elderly	Ailene I. Henry	12.22.2015
	Dorothy Bynack	12.22.2015
	Eileen T. Fedorowich	12.22.2015
	Elaine L. Bemont	12.22.2015
	Joan Sizer	12.22.2015
	Patricia M. Bachetti	12.22.2015
	Phyllis Gwilliam	12.22.2015
	Ronald Collyer	12.22.2015
Bldg Code Brd Appeals		
	John V. Panciera	12.22.2015
Conservation Comm		
	Todd Whitford-Chrm	12.22.2015
Cultural Comm		
	Jason Hutton	12.22.2017
	Joanne Batchelor	12.22.2016
	Katherine Madersky	12.22.2016
	Kathryn E. Worcester	12.22.2015
	Virgina Lockwood	12.22.2017
	Lisa Caswell	12.22.2015
	Ann Levesque	12.22.2015
Ethics Comm		
	Amanda Vesce	12.22.2015
Fire Comm		
	Andrew K. Rockett	12.22.2017
	Anthony J. Bruno	12.22.2017
	Keith Burger	12.22.2017
	Vincent P. Navin II-Chrm	12.22.2017
Housing Authority		
	David A. Pinney - Chrm	12.22.2018
Planning Comm		

**Prison Liaison/Public
Safety**

Charles J. Colby Jr	12.22.2015
Edward Barton Lynch	12.22.2015
Jerome A. Young	12.22.2015
Robert L. Pease	12.22.2015
Raymond J. LaFlamme	12.22.2015
Gary Schiessl	12.22.2015

WPCA

James A. Botellio-Chrm	12.22.2017
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Zoning Comm

Jill Conklin-Chrm	12.22.2018
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Mrs. Devlin made a motion to reappoint the above mentioned Board and Commission members with their term expiration date noted, seconded by Ms. Pellegrini. The motion passed.

New Appointments:

Board/Comm	Member	Term Exp
Open Space & Trails Committee	Richard Hutton	12.22.2015
Prison Liaison/Public Safety	Maureen LaFlamme	12.22.2015
	Eric Platt	12.22.2015

Municipal Agent for Elderly Deanna Schuetz

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to appoint the above mentioned Board and Commission members with their term expiration date noted, seconded by Ms. Pellegrini. The motion passed.

Evaluation and Selection Committee for Investment Advisory Services:

Mr. Marinaccio presented a list of members to serve on an Evaluation and Selection Committee for Investment Advisory Services consisting of following members:

Bill Boutwell, Business Manager, Somers BOE

Jim Beaulieu, Registered Investment Advisor

David Morgan, Cemetery Committee

Bill Kirkpatrick, Chairman, Pension Committee

Bud Knorr, Selectman

Michael Marinaccio, CFO/Treasurer (Committee Chairman)

The Committee will be dissolved after the selection of Investment Advisory Services is made and voted on. Mr. Marinaccio requested approval from the Board of Selectmen on the Selection Committee.

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to appoint the following individuals to serve on the Evaluation and Selection Committee for Investment Advisory Services until an Investment Advisory Service is selected and voted on:

Bill Boutwell, Business Manager, Somers BOE

Jim Beaulieu, Registered Investment Advisor

David Morgan, Cemetery Committee

Bill Kirkpatrick, Chairman, Pension Committee

Bud Knorr, Selectman

Michael Marinaccio, CFO/Treasurer (Committee Chairman)

Seconded by Ms. Pellegrini. The motion passed.

United Bank Deposit Account Resolution of Municipality:

A United Bank Deposit Account Resolution of Municipality is needed. This Resolution authorizes Michael Marinaccio-CFO, Brian Wissinger-Accountant and First Selectman Lisa Pellegrini to be the authorized signers for the Town of Somers.

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to approve the United Bank Deposit Account Resolution of Municipality (see attached), seconded by Ms. Pellegrini. The motion passed.

CIP Projects: This item was tabled.

Transfers/Appropriations: None

Authorization of Scheduled Payments:

Ms. Devlin made a motion to approve the authorization of Scheduled Payments in the amount of \$72,049.91, seconded by Ms. Pellegrini. The motion passed.

Adjournment:

Ms. Pellegrini made a motion to adjourn the Board of Selectmen meeting at 11:35am, 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.

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Kathleen Devlin
Bud Knorr

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FIRST SELECTMAN
TO EXECUTE DOCUMENTS RELATED TO A STATE OF CONNECTICUT
BROWNFIELD ASSISTANCE GRANT**

WHEREAS, on Thursday, December 18, 2014, the Town of Somers applied to the State of Connecticut Department of Economic Development for the Brownfield Assistant Grant; and

WHEREAS, on Thursday, December 18, 2014 the Town of Somers was notified the State of Connecticut Department of Economic and Community Development approved the application and agreed to issue a grant to the Town of Somers in the amount of \$85,000 to assess the environmental condition of a property known as 40 Maple Street in Somersville; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Somers will enter into certain agreements with the State of Connecticut in furtherance of this grant including but not limited to an Assistance Agreement by and between the State of Connecticut acting by the Department of Economic and Community Development and the Town of Somers, an Escrow Agreement and a Certificate of Applicant.

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that;

1. The Town of Somers accepts the grant in the amount of \$85,000 to complete the Brownfield Assessment of the property known as 40 Maple Street, Somersville, Connecticut.
2. First Selectman, Lisa Pellegrini, is authorized to execute any and all documents related to said grant, including but not limited to, those documents cited above.

Adopted this 18th day of December, 2014.

Lisa Pellegrini, First Selectman

Kathleen Devlin, Selectman

C. G. Knorr Jr, Selectman

Donna E. Hanks, Assistant Town Clerk

**UNITED BANK
DEPOSIT ACCOUNT RESOLUTION OF MUNICIPALITY**

Name of Municipality TOWN OF SOMERS EIN 06-6002086

Address P.O. BOX 308 Phone #

City SOMERS State CT Zip Code 06071

For Bank Use only

I HEREBY CERTIFY to United Bank (the "Bank") that, at a meeting of the [] of [] (the "Municipality"), a municipality incorporated or otherwise organized under the laws of the State of Connecticut, duly called and held on the _____ day of _____, 20____, the following resolutions ("Deposit Account Resolutions") were duly adopted, are in conformity with the charter, articles of incorporation and codes, rules and regulations of the Municipality and are in full force and effect:

RESOLVED, that the Bank is hereby designated as a depository in which the funds of this Municipality may, from time to time, subject to the rules and regulations of the Bank, be deposited.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the persons designated below ("Authorized Persons") are authorized to establish a depository relationship with the Bank and are authorized to, from time to time, open one or more deposit account(s) of any type. It is agreed and understood that, in addition to the activities specifically authorized in these Deposit Account Resolutions, the designated Authorized Persons are vested with all power and authority described and granted to the Municipality in the deposit account agreement governing each account that is established in the name of the Municipality. The Authorized Representatives are authorized to execute and deliver for and on behalf of this Municipality any and all documents and instruments and to take all actions and do any and all things, all of which are hereby approved and ratified by this Municipality, to accomplish the actions herein authorized.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Bank is hereby authorized and directed to honor, pay and charge to any of the accounts of this Municipality, without inquiry to or responsibility for the application of the proceeds thereof, all checks, drafts, notes or other orders for the payment, withdrawal or transfer of funds or money deposited in an account of the Municipality or to the credit of this Municipality (and to honor any instructions regarding same) when signed, accepted, endorsed or approved, as evidenced by original or facsimile signature of an Authorized Person, and whether or not payable to or for the credit of any Authorized Person signing or otherwise ordering same or whether payable to or by any other officer, agent or employee of this Municipality.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Bank be and his hereby authorized and directed to honor, pay and charge to any of the accounts of this Municipality, without inquiry to or responsibility for the application of the proceeds thereof, any authorization by an Authorized Person for the transfer of funds between different accounts of the Municipality, whether written, oral, by phone or electronic means. The Authorized Persons are authorized to enter into agreements with the Bank for the transfer of funds by electronic means.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that such Authorized Persons are authorized to establish and maintain from time to time one or more safe deposit boxes.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Municipality assumes full responsibility for and holds the Bank harmless from any and all payments made or any other actions taken by the Bank in reliance upon the signature, including facsimiles thereof, of the Authorized Persons regardless of whether or not the use of the facsimile signature was unlawful or unauthorized and regardless of by whom or by what means the

purported signature or facsimile signature may have been affixed to any instrument, if such facsimile signatures reasonably resemble the facsimile signatures as provided to the Bank, or for refusing to honor any signatures not provided to the Bank, and that this Municipality agrees to indemnify the Bank against any and all claims, demands, losses, costs, damages or expenses suffered or incurred by the Bank resulting from or arising out of any such payment or other action.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that these resolutions shall remain in force until revocation in writing is received by the Bank, and the Bank shall be entitled to presume that the Authorized Persons remain authorized to exercise the authority granted by these resolutions, including, but not limited to, the authority to sign checks, drafts, notes and other orders for the payment of money until receipt of written notice to the contrary.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the officer of the Municipality certifying these resolutions and executing this document is authorized to notify Bank, by written certification, of any changes in the appointments of Authorized Persons. Certifications by such officer of additional or deleted Authorized Persons are not required to be in the form of resolutions adopted by this Municipality. Bank shall be fully protected in relying and acting upon such certifications.

Authorized Persons:

MICHAEL D MARINACCIO	CFO	
Name (print)	Title	Facsimile/Specimen Signature
LISA PELLEGRINI	FIRST SELECTMAN	
Name (print)	Title	Facsimile/Specimen Signature
BRIAN WISSINGER	ACCOUNTANT	
Name (print)	Title	Facsimile/Specimen Signature
Name (print)	Title	Facsimile/Specimen Signature

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name as _____ (Title) of the
_____ (Governing Body) of _____ (Municipality) this
_____ day of _____, 20____.

Name

Title

Signature