

**TOWN OF DARIEN
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, MAY 7, 2012**

ATTENDANCE: 1st Selectman Jayme Stevenson; David Bayne;
David Campbell; John Lundeen; Gerald Nielsen

STAFF: Karl Kilduff, Administrative Officer

OTHER: Dick Hewitt, BOE; Betsy Haggerty-Ross, BOE

CALL TO ORDER

1st Selectman Stevenson called the meeting to order at 7:52 p.m.

REPORT FROM ROBERT RIITH, CHAIRMAN, SEWER COMMISSION

This will be presented at a future meeting.

FIRST SELECTMAN'S REPORT

- 1st Selectwoman Stevenson said she, John Lundeen and Bob Steeger met with the CT State DOT Department to review work that is being done on behalf of Darien on the proposed Hoyt Street sidewalk project. Some of the details and information that they have presented to the Town will be made public at the next Board of Selectmen meeting.
- 1st Selectwoman Stevenson said she has reached out to all the Town Department Heads in an effort to gain feedback on how the departments are working, get suggestions for improvement, comments, concerns, etc.

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

Mr. Kilduff said all the Selectmen should have received their budget books. The budget has been sent to the RTM. One of the changes the Board of Finance made was to eliminate funding in the proposed year for the Fire Training Facility. It will be funded out of current year dollars, which allows the project to move forward faster. Bid specs for the partially grant-funded project are nearly complete. He is awaiting final information from the Fire Commission's Committee.

Mr. Kilduff said the Annual Report should be finalized shortly and will be sent to the printer.

He reminded the Selectmen that goal-setting information is due.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

NEW BUSINESS

a) Discuss EMS Committee Charge

1st Selectman Stevenson discussed a proposed new charge for the EMS Review Committee regarding keeping it in existence, making changes to the charge, etc. She said it seemed they all agreed to keep the Committee in place so it could report back to the Selectmen at a frequency of their choice. Mr. Bayne said he felt it is important to have a Board or Advisory Committee in place to oversee the delivery of EMS services and report back annually unless there was a problem. Mr. Lundeen said he felt that Dr. Cara did a great job presenting the EMS Review Committee information at the previous Board of Selectmen meeting. He said he was in favor of keeping the Committee in place. Mr. Nielsen felt that the Committee was too large with 7 members and suggested having a Committee of 3 members. It was suggested that they check with the Chairman to see if a lower number of members would be suitable. The Selectmen then reviewed the charge for the Committee, discussing Post 53 and grant funding.

b) Discuss and Take Action on Middlesex School Roof Building Committee

Mr. Dick Hewitt and Ms. Betsy Haggerty-Ross presented information on the replacement of the slate roof at Middlesex Middle School. It was mentioned that the building project is reimbursable, and the Board of Education is recommending that the Board of Selectmen appoint them to be the Building Committee. Ms. Haggerty-Ross said the work is scheduled to begin in the summer and should be completed prior to the start of the school year. The grant is \$150,000. This project is on the Capital Project list and has been approved by the Board of Education and the Board of Finance.

**** MR. CAMPBELL MOVED TO APPROVE THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN OF THE TOWN OF DARIEN HEREBY APPOINTS THE DARIEN BOARD OF EDUCATION TO SERVE AS THE BUILDING COMMITTEE FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF THE MIDDLESEX MIDDLE SCHOOL SLATE ROOF, AS IS REQUIRED UNDER THAT STATE SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION GRANT PROCESS.**

**** MR. NIELSEN SECONDED.**

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

c) Transfers

Registrar of Voters - Elections
RESOLVED:

That the following transfer of appropriations is approved for referral to the Board of Finance:

<u>From:</u>		
<u>Acct. No.</u>	<u>Account</u>	<u>Amount</u>
	Contingency	\$ 2,000
	TOTAL	\$ 2,000
<u>To:</u>		
<u>Acct. No.</u>	<u>Account</u>	<u>Amount</u>
10107661-81002	P/T Salary	\$ 2,000
	TOTAL	\$ 2,000

**** MR. BAYNE MOVED TO APPROVE THE TRANSFER OF \$2,000 FROM THE CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT TO THE P/T SALARY ACCOUNT.**

**** MR. LUNDEEN SECONDED.**

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

AGENDA REVIEW

1st Selectman Stevenson said the Hoyt Street sidewalk information will be on the next meeting's agenda. Mr. Bayne suggested a joint meeting with the Board of Finance to review the town budget for next year. Also on the next meeting agenda will be a report from Mr. Riith, Chairman of the Sewer Commission.

APPOINTMENTS/RE-APPOINTMENTS

Consider and take action on the following appointment:

a) Jennifer Geddes to the Advisory Board of Health for a 1-year term beginning on January 1, 2012 and expiring on December 31, 2012.

**** MR. BAYNE MOVED TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF JENNIFER GEDDES TO THE ADVISORY BOARD OF HEALTH FOR A 1-YEAR TERM BEGINNING ON JANUARY 1, 2012 AND EXPIRING ON DECEMBER 31, 2012.**

**** MR. NIELSEN SECONDED.**

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

1st Selectman Stevenson thanked Ms. Kay Barker for her 20 years of service as the Representative to the Southwestern Regional Mental Health Board, and she said they are pleased to welcome Ms. Candace Bartlett to that position.

1st Selectman Stevenson mentioned that Post Corner Pizza was celebrating their 40th anniversary today.

Mr. Lundeen mentioned that the recent Boy Scout Tag Sale was successful, and he commended the Darien Police Department for their work in making West Avenue a one-way street for the day.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

May 8, 2012	Board of Education Regular Meeting at 7:30 p.m.
May 8, 2012	Planning & Zoning General Meeting at 8:00 p.m.
May 14, 2012	RTM Meeting at 8:00 p.m. (Budget Meeting)
May 15, 2012	Board of Finance Regular Meeting at 7:30 p.m.
May 16, 2012	Parks & Recreation Commission Regular Meeting at 7:30 p.m.
May 21, 2012	Board of Selectmen Regular Meeting at 7:45 p.m.

OTHER BUSINESS (Any items added to the agenda require a two-thirds vote.)

ADJOURNMENT

**** MR. BAYNE MOVED TO ADJOURN THE MEETING.**
**** MR. LUNDEEN SECONDED.**
**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Marr
Telesco Secretarial Services