

Minutes for the

Board of Selectmen Regular Meeting

March 06, 2023

ATTENDANCE: Monica McNally; Michael Burke, Marcy Minnick; Sarah Neumann

STAFF: Kathleen Buch, Town Administrator

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Ms. McNally led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Adjourn to Executive Session for Personnel Pursuant to CGS 1-200 (6) (A)

MOTION to Adjourn to Executive Session for Personnel Pursuant to CGS 1-200 (6) (A)

Motion made by Selectman Neumann, Seconded by Selectman Burke.

Voting Yea: First Selectman McNally, Selectman Burke, Selectman Minnick, Selectman Neumann

ADJOURN TO OPEN SESSION

MOTION to return to open session.

Motion made by Selectman Burke, Seconded by Selectman Neumann.

Voting Yea: First Selectman McNally, Selectman Burke, Selectman Minnick, Selectman Neumann

FIRST SELECTMAN'S REPORT

Ms McNally updated the board on Eversource and the replanting plan for the Little Brook area and the Palmer's/Vacarro redevelopment in Noroton Heights.

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

There was no report.

BOARD LIASION REPORTS

Ms. Neumann updated on the HHR Building Committee and the Thriving Youth Task Force

PUBLIC COMMENTS*

There was no public comment.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Discuss and Take Action on Request to Approve the Annual Sidewalk Sales

Ms. Buch presented the request.

MOTION to grant permission to the Darien Chamber of Commerce for Darien Sidewalk Sales & Family Fun Days to take place from July 13, 2023 to July 15, 2023 subject to the conditions detailed in the February 7, 2023 letter from the Director of Land Use.

Motion made by Selectman Neumann, Seconded by Selectman Minnick.

Voting Yea: First Selectman McNally, Selectman Burke, Selectman Minnick, Selectman Neumann

2. Update on Great Island

Ms. McNally reported that we are still in negotiations, with a midnight deadline.

3. Discuss Recommendations from Emergency Services Study

Ms. Buch introduced the topic. The Board members discussed the concept of a Fire Commission. – Members indicated that they would like more information on the charges or missions of Fire Commissions from communities that have volunteer fire departments.

The Board also expressed a desire to meet with representatives of the three fire departments to discuss the Emergency Services Study.

APPOINTMENTS:

4. Appointment of a member to the Advisory Committee on Sustainability for a term expiring on 12/31/23

MOTION to Appoint Mohan Hanumantha to the Advisory Committee on Sustainability for a term expiring on 12/31/23

Motion made by Selectman Minnick, Seconded by Selectman Burke.

Voting Yea: First Selectman McNally, Selectman Burke, Selectman Minnick, Selectman Neumann

5. Reappoint a member to the Sewer Commission for a term expiring on 12/31/24

MOTION to Reappoint Robert Hill to the Sewer Commission for a term expiring on 12/31/24

Motion made by Selectman Burke, Seconded by Selectman Neumann.

Voting Yea: First Selectman McNally, Selectman Burke, Selectman Minnick, Selectman Neumann

MINUTES

6. Review and Approve Minutes of the February 27, 2023 Regular Meeting

MOTION to Approve the Minutes of the February 27, 2023 Regular Meeting as presented
Motion made by Selectman Burke, Seconded by Selectman Neumann.
Voting Yea: First Selectman McNally, Selectman Burke, Selectman Minnick, Selectman Neumann

AGENDA REVIEW

No issues were raised.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION to adjourn at 7:43 pm

Motion made by Selectman Burke, Seconded by Selectman Neumann.
Voting Yea: First Selectman McNally, Selectman Burke, Selectman Minnick, Selectman Neumann