

Minutes for the

Board of Selectmen Regular Meeting

August 21, 2023

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

STAFF: Kathleen Buch, Town Administrator; Ed Gentile, Director of Public Works; Pam Gery, Director of Parks & Recreation; Sandy Rich, Parks & Recreation Facilities Supervisor

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 pm

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

Adjourn to Executive Session for Personnel and Discussion of License to Use Town Property Pursuant to CGS Section 1-200 6 (A) & (D)

MOTION to Adjourn to Executive Session for Personnel and Discussion of License to Use Town Property Pursuant to CGS Section 1-200 6 (A) & (D)

Motion made by Selectman Neumann, Seconded by Selectman Burke.

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

ADJOURN TO OPEN SESSION

MOTION to return to open session at 8:19 pm

Motion made by Selectman Neumann, Seconded by Selectman Burke.

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

FIRST SELECTMAN'S REPORT

Ms. McNally updated the board on a variety of topics including the annual Darien Road Race, Noise Abatement Survey, Fire Commission meetings

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Ms. Buch reported on the status of the website upgrade.

BOARD LIASION REPORTS

Mr Burke will update on the Blight Review Board in September.

Ms Neumann reported that HHR will be rebidding the project in part or in total.

Mr Zagrodzky updated on the Great Island Advisory Committee.

Ms Minnick updated on the ORBC and advised that the Mental Health Task Force had many programs on the schedule for September.

PUBLIC COMMENTS*

none

OLD BUSINESS

1. Discuss and Take Action on a Request to Amend Revocable License Agreement for Grove St Open Space

Ms. Buch noted some of the pertinent details of the license agreement. Ms. McNally also reviewed some of the provisions.

MOTION to Approve a Request to Amend Revocable License Agreement for Grove St Open Space

Motion made by Selectman Minnick, Seconded by Selectman Burke.

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

NEW BUSINESS

2. Accept Recommendation to Decommission Pear Tree Beach Building Committee

Ms. McNally introduced the topic. Ms. Buch gave a brief history of the committee's work.

MOTION to Accept the Recommendation to Decommission the Pear Tree Beach Building Committee

Motion made by Selectman Burke, Seconded by Selectman Neumann.

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

3. Discuss and Take action on a Request to Appropriate \$785,000 of ARPA Funds for Replacement of the DPW Garage Floor.

Mr. Gentile introduced the request.

MOTION to Approve a Request to Appropriate \$785,000 of ARPA Funds for Replacement of the DPW Garage Floor.

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

4. Discuss and Take Action on Request to Adopt the Recommendations of the Non-Represented Compensation Study

Ms. Barksdale introduced the request.

MOTION to Adopt the Recommendations of the Non-Represented Compensation Study

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

5. Discuss and Take Action on Request to Accept a Donation of \$200,000 from the Darien Little League for the Reconstruction of Ballfields at McGuane Park

Ms. Gery presented the request.

MOTION to Approve a Request to Accept a Donation of \$200,000 from the Darien Little League for the Reconstruction of Ballfields at McGuane Park and to Recommend the Same to the RTM

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

TRANSFERS

Mr. Gentile introduced the Department of Public Works transfer requests.

6. Discuss and Take Action on a Request for a Transfer of \$9,033 to DPW Motorized Equipment

MOTION to Approve a Request for a Transfer of \$9,033 to DPW Motorized Equipment
Motion made by Selectman Burke, Seconded by Selectman Neumann.
Voting Yea: First Selectman McNally, Selectman Burke, Selectman Minnick, Selectman Neumann,
Selectman Zagrodzky

7. Discuss and Take Action on a Request for a Transfer of \$45,431 to DPW Solid Waste Disposal

MOTION to Approve a a Request for a Transfer of \$45,431 to DPW Solid Waste Disposal

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

8. Discuss and Take Action on a Request for a Transfer of \$26,927 to DPW Electricity

MOTION to Approve a Request for a Transfer of \$26,927 to DPW Electricity

Motion made by Selectman Burke, Seconded by Selectman Minnick.

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

9. Discuss and Take Action on a Request for a Transfer of \$13,224 to DPW Heating Fuel

MOTION to Approve a Request for a Transfer of \$13,224 to DPW Heating Fuel

Motion made by Selectman Burke, Seconded by Selectman Neumann.

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

Ms. Gery introduced the Parks & Recreation requests for transfers. Mr. Rich also provided information.

10. Discuss and Take Action on a Request for a Transfer of \$11,906 to Parks & Recreation Capital for the Toro Mower

MOTION to Approve a Request for a Transfer of \$11,906 to Parks & Recreation Capital for the Toro Mower

Motion made by Selectman Minnick, Seconded by Selectman Zagrodzky.

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

11. Discuss and Take Action on a Request for a Transfer of \$8,000 to Parks & Recreation Pear Tree Construction Bid

MOTION to Approve a Request for a Transfer of \$8,000 to Parks & Recreation Pear Tree Construction Bid

Motion made by Selectman Zagrodzky, Seconded by Selectman Neumann.

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

APPOINTMENTS:

12. Reappointment of a Member to the Police Commission for a Term Expiring on June 30, 2026

MOTION to Reappoint Kevin Cunningham to the Police Commission for a Term Expiring on June 30, 2026

Motion made by Selectman Minnick, Seconded by Selectman Burke.

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

Selectman Zagrodzky

MINUTES

13. Review and Approve Minutes of the August 7, 2023 Regular Meeting

MOTION to Approve the Minutes of the August 7, 2023 Regular Meeting as presented.

Motion made by Selectman Minnick, Seconded by Selectman Burke.

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

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION to adjourn at 9:07

Motion made by Selectman Neumann, Seconded by Selectman Burke.

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