

Minutes for the

Board of Selectmen Regular Meeting

October 02, 2023

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

STAFF: Kathleen Buch, Town Administrator

OTHERS: Brendan Keane, Chief, Noroton Fire Department

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 Section 1-200 6 (A)

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

Motion made by Selectman Minnick, Seconded by Selectman Zagrodzky.

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

ADJOURN TO OPEN SESSION

MOTION to return to open session at 7:40 pm

Motion made by Selectman Minnick, Seconded by Selectman Zagrodzky.

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 a FEMA emergency alert test scheduled for 10/4, the rescheduled bus tour of Great Island, the new town website, and she congratulated Director of Finance Jenn Charneski for receiving the Government Finance Officers Association's award for Excellence in Financial Reporting.

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

No report

BOARD LIASION REPORTS

Mr Burke will report on the Blight Review board at next meeting.

Ms. Neumann reported on the Thriving Youth Task Force. She stated that the results of the student survey will be presented on October 12th. She also reported that the HHR building committee was preparing to rebid, with bid documents available tomorrow (10/3/23).

Mr. Zagrodzky reported that the Great Island Advisory Committee met on September 20th. The Committee received updates from the First Selectman and Ed Gentile, Director of Public Works regarding maintenance activities and plans for the widening of access road. He also would discussed reported on the Coastal Waters Advisory Committee's plans to propose changes to Harbor Master rules.

Ms. Minnick provided an update on the planned slide at Ox Ridge Elementary School. The grade is too steep for safety, so the Ox Ridge Building Committee will not be moving forward with it. She also provided an updated on planned events related to the Mental Health Task Force meeting, including the Out of Darkness Walk in Westport on October 22nd and Survivors Day on November 18th in Darien.

PUBLIC COMMENTS*

none

NEW BUSINESS

1. Discuss and Take Action on a Request from the Noroton Fire Department for a Waiver of Bidding Requirements for the Purchase of Vehicle Stabilization Struts

Chief Brendan Keane of the Noroton Fire Department presented the request and answered questions from board members.

MOTION to Approve a Request from the Noroton Fire Department for a Waiver of Bidding Requirements for the Purchase of Vehicle Stabilization Struts

Motion made by Selectman Minnick, Seconded by Selectman Burke.

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

2. Discuss and Take Action on Proposal to observe Juneteenth as a Town Holiday with Town Hall Closure

The Board discussed the proposal.

MOTION to have the First Selectman endeavor to create a proclamation related to honoring Juneteenth and also that the Town undertake measures to not schedule meetings of any boards or commissions on that day.

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

OLD BUSINESS

3. Discuss Updates to Board of Selectmen Goals and Objectives

The Board discussed the proposed goals and objectives.

MOTION to Adopt the Board of Selectmen Goals and Objectives as proposed.

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 Amend the Compensation Plan for 2023-2024

MOTION to Approve the Request to Amend the Compensation Plan for the Tax Collector for the
2023-2025 term

Motion made by Selectman Minnick, Seconded by Selectman Burke.

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

APPOINTMENTS:

5. Reappointment of a Member of the Human Services Commission for a Term Expiring on 11/30/2023 and a Subsequent Term Expiring on 11/30/2026

MOTION to Reappointment Janet King to the Human Services Commission for a Term Expiring on
11/30/2023 and a Subsequent Term Expiring on 11/30/2026

Motion made by Selectman Minnick, Seconded by Selectman Burke.

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

6. Reappointment of a Member of the Sewer Commission to a Term Expiring on 12/30/2024

MOTION to Reappoint Susan Cameron to the Sewer Commissions for a Term Expiring on
12/30/2024

Motion made by Selectman Zagrodzky, Seconded by Selectman Burke.

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

7. Reappointment of a Member of the Architectural Review Board to a Term Expiring on 6/30/2025

MOTION to Reappoint Cherie Green to the Architectural Review Board to a Term Expiring on 6/30/2025

Motion made by Selectman Minnick, Seconded by Selectman Zagrodzky.

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

MINUTES

8. Review and Approve the September 18, 2023 Minutes of the BOS Regular Meeting

MOTION to approve the Minutes of the September 18, 2023 Regular Meeting as presented/

Motion made by Selectman Neumann, Seconded by Selectman Burke.

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

AGENDA REVIEW

none

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION to adjourn at 8:19 pm.

Motion made by Selectman Minnick, Seconded by Selectman Zagrodzky.

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