

**MEETING MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE LITCHFIELD CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE**

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2025 ~ 7:00 P.M.**

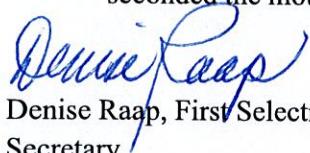
**IN-PERSON AT LITCHFIELD FIREHOUSE, 258 WEST STREET, LITCHFIELD, CT AND  
REMOTE MEETING BY LIVE INTERNET VIDEO STREAM AND TELEPHONE**

- 1. Call to Order** First Selectman Denise Raap called the hybrid meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. Committee members present were Jeff Zullo, Erich Marriott, First Selectman Denise Raap, John Bongiorno, Stephan Krucker, Michael Kostecki, and Sean Fogarty. Committee member Stephen Simonin arrived at 7:03 p.m. and Committee member Donna Pace arrived at 7:05 p.m. Public Works Director Raz Alexe was present and Finance Director Amaechi Obi was present via Zoom.
- 2. Election of Officers**
  - a. Chairman Motion:** J. Zullo motioned to nominate E. Marriott as Chairman, J. Bongiorno seconded the motion. J. Zullo motioned to close nominations, J. Bongiorno seconded the motion, all members voted aye to close nominations. All members voted aye in the nomination of E. Marriott as Chairman and the motion passed.
  - b. Secretary Motion:** M. Kostecki motioned to nominate D. Raap as Secretary, J. Bongiorno seconded the motion. J. Zullo motioned to close nominations, M. Kostecki seconded the motion, all voted aye to close nominations. All members voted aye in the nomination of D. Raap as Secretary and the motion passed.
- 3. Approval of January 7, 2025 minutes Motion:** J. Zullo motioned to approve the January 7, 2025 meeting minutes. S. Fogarty seconded the motion, all voted aye and the motion passed.
- 4. Review Department Requests** Departments present for Fire and EMS were Fire Marshal David Rogers, Board of Fire Commissioners and EMS Chairman John Campbell, Bantam Fire Company member Jane Golding, and East Litchfield Chief John Cattey. S. Fogarty reported five requests this year totaling \$725,000. The first request is from the Litchfield Volunteer Ambulance (LVA) to replace the sprinter van with a box-style ambulance for \$250,000, as the current sprinter has undergone extensive repairs and is no longer serviceable. The second request is for a midlife refurbishment of the Litchfield Fire House's Engine 2, a 15-year-old engine, totaling \$220,000; this off-body refurbishment is recommended to extend the vehicle closer to its 30-year life expectancy. The third request is a Townwide radio replacement for all Fire and EMS departments, totaling \$150,000 for the 2026–2027 fiscal year, due to incompatibility with Litchfield County Dispatch. The fourth request is for replacement of the Fire Marshal's vehicle for \$75,000, as the current vehicle is 20 years old. The final request is for the Bantam Fire Company's fire alarm system, totaling \$30,000, which currently has a 70% failure rate.

Public Works Supervisor Brett Seamans was present to speak on behalf of the Parks and Recreation Department's requests. There are five requests this year totaling \$621,600. The first request is for acoustic fence panels and pickleball benches at Community Fields, totaling \$23,000; the panels would provide sound absorption and visual barriers for residential neighbors to the north, and the benches would serve players waiting to use the courts. The second request, also at Community Field, is for dugouts, drinking fountains, and fencing totaling \$111,700. The

third request is for improvements at Town Beach, including the parking lot, pathways, and Rain Gardens #3 and #4, totaling \$323,000. The fourth request is for Rain Gardens #1 and #2 at Town Beach, totaling \$127,355; B. Seamans noted that rain gardens help filter pollutants from runoff before reaching Bantam Lake. The final request is for site preparation, an electrical panel, lighting, and outlets for the pavilion at Town Beach, totaling \$89,511.

5. **Adjournment Motion:** S. Simonin motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 p.m. J. Bongiorno seconded the motion, all voted aye and the motion passed.



Denise Raap, First Selectman  
Secretary