

Town of Winchester
Board of Selectmen
Regular Meeting
April 3, 2017

Item 1. Call to Order

Meeting called to order by Mayor Perez at 7:00 p.m.

Attendance: Sel. Albanesius, Sel. Arcelaschi, Sel. Bird, Sel. Bourque, Sel. Perez, Sel. Sedlack, Sel. Shaughnessy

Town Manager, Bob Geiger, Financial Director, Bruce Stratford, Director of Public Works, Jim Rollins

Item 2. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Item 3. Agenda Review NONE

Item 4. Approval of Minutes

A) Minutes of Regular Meeting on March 20, 2017

Motion by Sel. Arcelaschi, seconded by Sel. Shaughnessy

To approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting on March 20, 2017

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B) Minutes of Special Meeting on March 27, 2017

Motion by Sel. Bourque, seconded by Sel. Bird

To approve the minutes of the Special Meeting on March 27, 2017

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Meeting recessed to the scheduled Public Hearing at 7:04 p.m.

Item 5. PUBLIC HEARING

a) 2017-2018 Budget Public Hearing

An overview of the 2017-2018 Budget was given by the Town Manager, Bob Geiger, and Financial Director, Bruce Stratford.

Public Hearing adjourned to the Scheduled Board of Selectmen's Meeting at 7:10 p.m.

b) Discussion/Possible Action on the 2017-2018 Town and Education budget

A period of questions and answers were held:

Speakers: Joe Forester, Jerry Martinez, Marsha Sterling.

The Public Hearing adjourned to the Regular Scheduled Meeting at 7:18 p.m.

Consensus of the Board to set the next meeting of the Board for Monday, April 10, 2017, at 6:00 p.m. for the final review and adjustments to the Budget of 2017-2018.

Item 6. Town Manager's Report

Town Manager, Bob Geiger gave an overview of his meetings for the week of March 27, 2017 through April 2, 2017. Included in his report were a list of Long-Term commitments that he has scheduled along with a list of projects and issues he is dealing with. A list of 15 Freedom of Information Requests that he is working on was also presented to the Board.

Item 7. Citizen's Comments'

Joseph Forester, John Wiarda, Jerry Martinez, Marsha Sterling

Item 9. Boards and Commissions

Motion by Sel. Perez, seconded by Sel. Arcelaschi

To re-appoint Chris Kiely (R) to the Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Commission.

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Item 10 New Business

A) Appointment of Moderator for Annual Town Meeting on May 8, 2017 (Mayor Perez)

Motion by Sel. Perez, seconded by Sel. Sedlack

To appoint Judy Dixon as Moderator of the Annual Town Meeting on May 8th 2017.

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B) 17-010 Proposed Resolution No. 17-01 Small Town Economic Assistance Program (STEAP)

Application for Whiting Street Improvements (Town Manager Geiger).

Motion by Sel. Bourque, seconded by Sel. Sedlack

I move that the Board of Selectmen approve Resolution No. 17-01 supporting the Town of Winchester's 2014 Small Town Economic Assistance Program application for Whiting Street improvements.

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WHEREAS, the State of Connecticut, through the Office of Policy and Management, provides funding to communities for capital projects promoting economic development and job creation through the Small Town Economic Assistance Program (STEAP), and,

WHEREAS, Whiting Mills and the American Mural Project play a significant strategic role in enhancing and complimenting economic development efforts in Winsted; and,

WHEREAS, the redevelopment of Whiting Street through paving, traffic, and streetscape improvements is a critical project worthy of funding through the STEAP program and has the support of local businesses and educational institutions who stand to benefit from these improvements;

THEN BE IT RESOLVED. That the Board of Selectmen does hereby endorse and support the redevelopment of Whiting Street- known as the Whiting Street/Downtown Winsted Gateway Improvement Project – and the Town’s application to the 2017 Small Town Economic Assistance Program for funding to support the Project.

C) 17-011 Various Line Item Fund Transfers (Town Manager)

Motion by Sel. Bird, seconded by Sel. Shaughnessy

I move that the Board of Selectmen approve the line-item transfer of \$500, from Vehicle: gas, oil and grease (813-820-0000-0000) to Office Supplies (813-806-0000-0000) for the Senior Center.

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Motion by Sel. Sedlack, seconded by Sel. Arcelaschi

I move that the Board of Selectmen approve the line-item transfer of \$500. from Demolition of Buildings (213-830-0001-0000) to Relocation Costs (213-830-0002-0000) for the Building Department.

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Motion by Sel. Bird, seconded by Sel. Sedlack

I move that the Board of Selectmen approve the line-item transfer of \$579. from Pension (211-900-0005-0000) to tires (211-846-0000.0000) for Fire Department.

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Motion by Sel. Sedlack, seconded by Sel. Arcelaschi

I move that the Board of Selectmen approve the line-item transfer of \$10,000 from Training Activities (210-192-0014-0000) and \$2,000 from Vehicle; gas, oil and grease (210-820-0000-0000) to Clothing Allowance and Equipment (210-818-0000-0000) in the amount of \$10,000 and Supplies and Materials (210-825-0000-0000) in the amount of \$2,000 the Police Department.

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Item 11. Citizens Comments

Jerry Martinez, John Wiarda, Willard Platt

Item 12. Selectmen’s Comments and Reports.

Item 13. Adjournment

Motion by Sel. Sedlack, seconded by Sel. Shaughnessy

To adjourn the meeting at 8:25 p.m.

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ATTEST:

Sheila S. Sedlack, CCTC, CMC

