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Minutes of Selectmen's Meeting June 5, 2024 Fire Headquarters – 4:30 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 4:31 p.m. Present were First Selectman James B. Cosgrove and Second Selectman Raymond Dunbar. Third Selectwoman Angela M. Higgins was absent. Also present were: Jennifer Acquino, Assistant Town Engineer; Brian Devlin, Superintendent, WWTF; Paul Muniz, Chairman, Solid Waste Management Commission; Tracy Everson, Frank Twohill, RTM Members; Dan Hall and Carolyn Sires.

Motion made by Selectman Dunbar to approve the Board of Selectmen minutes of May 1, 2024 and May 16, 2024 (special meeting). Seconded by First Selectman Cosgrove. Vote unanimous.

Motion made by Selectman Dunbar to approve a request from Jennifer Acquino, Assistant Town Engineer to waive the bid for Permanent Pavement Patches – “on-call” services and award the contract to William M. Laydon Construction at the 2020 bid price with a 3% increase for FY 25. Seconded by First Selectman Cosgrove. Vote unanimous.

Motion made by Selectman Dunbar to accept a report from Jennifer Acquino, Assistant Engineer for emergency work to replace the existing bituminous concrete island on Route 139. Seconded by First Selectman Cosgrove. Vote unanimous.

Motion made by Selectman Dunbar to approve a request from Brian Devlin, Superintendent, Waste Water Treatment Facility to award the contract for the Replacement of the Fine Bubble Aeration Diffuser System to Kovacs Construction Corporation in the amount of \$98,273. Seconded by First Selectman Cosgrove. Vote unanimous.

Motion made by Selectman Dunbar to approve a recommendation from the Solid Waste Management Commission extend the Thimble Island Collection contract between the Town of Branford and Thimble Island Ferry Company, LLC for an additional year at effective July 1, 2024 in the amount of \$20,000. Seconded by First Selectman Cosgrove. Vote unanimous.

Appointments:

Academy on the Green – First Congregational Church Rep.
Susan Winkel term to expire January 30, 2026. Motion made by Selectman Dunbar to approve the appointment. Seconded by First Selectman Cosgrove. Vote unanimous.

Conservation and Environment Commission

Lauren Ruotolo to fill a vacancy left by Lana Bluege term to expire July 31, 2028. Motion made by Selectman Dunbar to approve the appointment. Seconded by First Selectman Cosgrove. Vote unanimous.

Reappointments:

Conservation and Environmental Commission

Cynthia Jasek, Heather Wells-Sweeney and Joshua Greenberg terms to expire July 31 2027. Motion made by Selectman Dunbar to approve the reappointments. Seconded by First Selectman Cosgrove. Vote unanimous.

Green Committee

Patricia Sanders and Don Gentile terms to expire May 31, 2027. Motion made by Selectman Dunbar to approve the reappointments. Seconded by First Selectman Cosgrove. Vote unanimous.

Youngs Pond Commission

Geoffrey Hotz term to expire April 30, 2027.

Paul Blackstone term to expire April 30, 2028. Motion made by Selectman Dunbar to approve the reappointments. Seconded by First Selectman Cosgrove. Vote unanimous.

First Selectman Cosgrove read a proclamation designating the week of June 2, 2024 as Gun Violence Awareness Week. Motion made by Selectman Dunbar to approve the proclamation. Seconded by First Selectman Cosgrove. Vote unanimous.

Correspondence – none

Other – Dan Hally addressed the board to request information on the DPW Facility; East Industrial Road; the former BOE building; Rogers Street repaving; Town Center Revitalization Project; and the temporary move of the PD to Fire Headquarters and the potential impact on the election location. Tracy Everson addressed the board and thanked them for approving the proclamation.

Motion made by Selectman Dunbar to adjourn the meeting at 5:08 p.m. Seconded by First Selectman Cosgrove. Vote unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Trista Milici, Clerk