

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN
TOWN OF EAST WINDSOR
11 RYE STREET
BROAD BROOK, CT 06016**

Minutes of Regular Meeting

Tuesday, September 17, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.

These minutes are not official until approved at a subsequent meeting.

I. Call to Order

First Selectman Denise Menard called the Regular Meeting to Order at 7:02 p.m. in the Town Hall Conference Room.

II. Attendance

Present:

Denise Menard, First Selectman
Alan Baker, Deputy First Selectman
Dale Nelson, Selectwoman
Richard P. Pippin, Jr., Selectman
James C. Richards, Selectman

III. Added Agenda Items

IV. Approval of Minutes

A. Regular Meeting of September 3, 2013

It was MOVED (Nelson) and SECONDED (Richards) that the Board of Selectmen approves the Regular Meeting Minutes of September 3, 2013 with the following corrections:

Add email from Selectmen Richards, dated August 26, 2013, regarding uses for the Contingency Fund. Hereto attached as Exhibit A.

Motion PASSED. In favor – D. Nelson, R. Pippin and J. Richards; Opposed – None; Abstained – A. Baker.

V. Communications

Network Against Domestic Abuse

VI. Selectmen's Reports

A. Denise Menard

Selectman Menard distributed her report, hereto attached as Exhibit B. She reported that the audit process has begun. Ms. Menard met with the Town Planner and Metro Hartford Alliance and they discussed participating in a free economic seminar. The seminar will provide ideas on how to attract businesses into East Windsor. Ms. Menard suggested the Board of Selectmen come to a decision regarding the HVAC Project and the Town Hall Annex roof.

B. Alan Baker

Mr. Baker attended the Planning & Zoning Commission meeting and stated they are busy with public hearings and have had a lot of public input. The American Heritage River Commission will host the Source to Sea Clean Up on October 5, 2013, starting at the South Water Street Park. Selectman Baker attended the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection meeting regarding the Town residents water filtration systems and stated East Windsor has the highest number of contaminated wells in the State of Connecticut.

C. Dale Nelson

Selectwoman Nelson attended the Warehouse Point Fire District meeting and left the meeting early because the comments being made were very upsetting. Ms. Nelson thanked Selectman Pippin for providing his tractor and trailer as the mode of transportation for the Selectmen and State Representative Christopher Davis in the Four Town Fair Parade. Ms. Nelson was disappointed that East Windsor was the host Town of the 175th Four Town Fair and there was a lack of team spirit. There were no public safety vehicles, fire engines or ambulances, representing the Town of East Windsor.

D. Richard Pippin, Jr.

Selectman Pippin attended the Inlands Wetlands meeting on September 4, 2013 and stated the agency approved sewers being placed off street on North Road. The reports from Newberry Road came back with no problems indicated. A footing drain was approved at 177 Wells Road. Mr. Pippin did not attend The Housing Authority meeting because it was cancelled.

E. James Richards

Selectman Richards distributed his report, hereto attached as Exhibit C. He reported the Plan of Conservation and Development will be putting up the Mill Rose Historical District sign.

VII. Public Participation

John Burnham, 178 Scantic Road, stated he does not want the roof of the Town Hall Annex to be torn down.

Kathy Pippin, 37 Woolam Road, told the Board of Selectmen she is proud of the way the meeting with the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection was handled by the Board and she is proud to be a citizen of East Windsor.

Pauline Legassie, Park Hill resident, wanted the Board of Selectmen to know that she emailed the agenda for the Housing Authority meeting to the Town Hall on Friday, September 13, 2013. It was not received by the Town Hall until Monday, September 16, 2013 so the meeting scheduled for that evening was cancelled. Ms. Legassie, Secretary of Park Hill Tenant Association, stated her support for Corrine Shemerluk to be appointed to the Housing Authority Commission.

VIII. Boards and Commissions Appointments

Resignations: None

Re-appointments: None

**New Appointments:
Housing Authority**

Mark Simmons (R), Regular Member, for a term expiring 10/1/2013.

It was MOVED (Pippin) and SECONDED (Baker) to appoint Mark Simmons to the East Windsor Housing Authority. Selectman Richards stated he has the utmost respect for Mr. Simmons but voted for Corrine Shemerluk because she was recommended by the Park Hill residents. In Favor – A. Baker and R. Pippin; Opposed – J. Richards
Abstained – D. Nelson.

IX. Unfinished Business

Discussion of Housing Authority PILOT

The Board of Selectmen postponed any discussion regarding the Housing Authority PILOT to the next meeting on October 1, 2013. The Housing Authority was unable to have their scheduled meeting on September 16, 2013, therefore were not prepared to meet with the Board of Selectmen.

Motion was made to postpone discussion of the Housing Authority PILOT to October 1, 2013. MOVED (Richards) and SECONDED (Pippin). In favor – A. Baker, D. Nelson, J. Richards and R. Pippin; Opposed – None.

X. New Business

Discussion of Contaminated Wells

First Selectman Menard and Selectman Baker attended the DEEP meeting regarding the contaminated wells in East Windsor. Senator Gary LeBeau and Representative Christopher Davis are looking for options available to assist residents. The filters are working now so Senator LeBeau urged homeowners to hang on to the systems already in place. AquaPump of Stafford will allow residents to purchase filters at the State negotiated price through February 2016.

XI. Budget Matters

A. Budget Transfers

Motion was made to approve transfer number S2013-42 in the amount of \$1000.00 from Selectmen Travel Expenses to Town Property Facilities Repair. MOVED (Pippin) and SECONDED (Richards). Motion PASSED. In favor – A. Baker, D. Nelson, J. Richards and R. Pippin; Opposed - None.

Motion was made to approve transfer number S2013-43 in the amount of \$2000.00 from Streetlights to Town Property Facilities Repair. MOVED (Richards) and SECONDED (Pippin). Motion PASSED. In favor – A. Baker, D. Nelson, J. Richards and R. Pippin; Opposed - None.

Motion was made to approve transfer number S2013-44 in the amount of \$10.00 from Public Works P/T Salary to Public Works P/T Inspection Salary. MOVED (Richards) and SECONDED (Pippin). Motion PASSED. In favor – A. Baker, D. Nelson, J. Richards and R. Pippin; Opposed - None.

B. Tax Refunds

Motion was made to accept tax refunds in the amount of \$1300.63. MOVED (Nelson) and SECONDED (Richards). Motion PASSED. In favor – A. Baker, D. Nelson, J. Richards and R. Pippin; Opposed – None.

XII. Ongoing Chapter Review

Motion was made to open the Town Charter for review and establish a Charter Revision Commission. MOVED (Nelson) and SECONDED (Richards). In favor – A. Baker, D. Nelson, R. Pippin, and J. Richards; Opposed – None.

XIII. Executive Session

Pursuant to C.G.S. Section 1-200 (6) (a) Personnel & (b) Litigation

MOTION was made to enter Executive Session. MOVED (Nelson) and SECONDED (Richards). The Board entered into Executive Session at 8:12 p.m.; came out of Executive Session at 8:52 p.m.
No action taken.

XIV. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn, made by J. Richards and seconded by D. Nelson. The meeting was adjourned at 8:53 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Heidi Vane
Recording Secretary

Heidi Vane

From: James Richards
Sent: Monday, August 26, 2013 9:46 AM
To: Denise Menard
Cc: Alan Baker; Dale Nelson; Richard Pippin; Heidi Vane
Subject: Please add to Selectman's Agenda

Importance: High

Good Morning Denise,

Since we now have a Contingency fund with over 200,000 I am asking that the following be placed on Our Agenda for Our next Selectmen's meeting;

- 1) \$40,000 for Part Time Paid Fire Fighters
- 2) \$50,000 for East Windsor Ambulance Corp.
- 3) \$25,000 for Warehouse Point library
- 4) \$50,000 for Road Repair

Thank You Jimbo

James C Richards
Selectman
Town of East Windsor

September 17, 2013

My report to the Board of Selectmen

The Four Town Fair was a great success! Thank you to all that helped with the plans and to those who participated in any part of the Fair. I personally want to thank Jim Stremper for lending me use of his 1959 GMC truck for leading the parade. He also lent his son to drive it. The Fair even attracted the attention of the Governor who spent a couple of hours enjoying the exhibits and food.

The meeting last Wednesday September 11 regarding the change in the State's support of water filtration systems provided a lot of information to all who attended. I was asked to provide time at this meeting for the Board to discuss the meeting. It is on tonight's agenda.

The CPace "clean energy" State promoted program I reported on briefly at our last meeting will be on our next agenda.

Our recently hired custodian has resigned so the Director of Public Works and I have put a temporary plan in place while we regroup. Temporarily we are using Admiral Cleaning for cleaning the Town buildings and Public Works has been addressing any facility's maintenance/repair requests (i.e. lights out, leaks, paper products need to be distributed from the Annex, broken door handle, furniture needs to be moved, etc.).

Nora Santos has accepted the part-time clerical person at the Senior Center. She is working this week then has committed to something for a couple of weeks then will be here in early October permanently. Everyone is looking forward to having her onboard.

The updating of office lights for the Assessor, Town Clerk, Building and Planning Departments was completed this past Friday.

Update on Public Works projects:

- Annex fuel tank has been pumped of fuel, fuel was redistributed to the Town Garage and the Senior Center and approximately 250 gallons have been credited to us for future delivery. We are getting prices to remove or leave the tank in place.
- Drainage repair is ready to be done on Thompson, Old Ellington and Wapping Roads. A couple more projects will be done before the season closes.
- Street lines, stop bars and railroad crossings are going to be painted within the next week or two.
- We are looking to qualify Winton Road for our next grant project.

The Senior Staff had a great management training session last week.

Denise

Selectman Jim Richards Report on Commission Liaisons

BOS Meeting 09/17 /2013

Board of Education-

Did not attend at another function

Economic Development Commission-

New EDC Commissioner Maria Rumore attended 1st meeting. Discussion was had about a Metro Alliance presentation on Dec 9th/All thought it was a Good Idea.

Sub Committee of EDC for Plan of Conservation & Development made their report to the entire commission which accepted it and forwarded to POCD/Town Discussion meeting which I believe was finalized for Oct 30.

In Re; to POCD Survey is being resent to try and capture more of a cross section of respondents.

Discussion was had in re: to Historical Preservation Comm. Plan and intend to help promote the Driving Tour.

Decided if we can have Representatives/people from the Town to Man a booth at the upcoming Business to Business Table Top Expo that to \$250 will be spent on Booth and promotional materials. EXPO is open to Businesses Only and 4 chambers in region will be there. Oct 23rd

Discussion was also had about Wal-Mart and opening date, Dollar General, Empty properties in EW Industrial Park, Zoning to allow Medical Marijuana Facility.

Discussion was also had about Mill Rate and the fact that Grand List is down 14%

Parks & Recreation-

Cancelled

Historical Preservation Commission-

Great meeting- Barbara Smeigel reported on POCD meeting she attended- Discussion was had Driving Tour of Historical landmarks or noteworthy (This fits into a Great way to generate tourism something EDC is working on as well.)- Commission is trying to collect Locations from the Public Please feel free to email to EastWindsorHPC@gmail.com with Your Suggestions.

Housing Authority-

Cancelled