# TOWN OF EAST WINDSOR BOARD OF SELECTMEN

SPECIAL MEETING December 13, 2022 6:00 p.m.

THIS MEETING
IS BEING HELD IN-PERSON
In the John Daly, Jr. Meeting Room
Town Hall, 11 Rye Street, Broad Brook, CT 06016

AND

REMOTELY via ZOOM Teleconference Meeting ID: 332 683 3563 Passcode: townhall

MEETING MINUTES

\*\*\*\*\*Minutes are not official until approved at a subsequent meeting\*\*\*\*\*

#### **Board of Selectmen**

Jason E. Bowsza, First Selectman Marie DeSousa, Deputy First Selectman Alan Baker, Selectman Sarah Muska, Selectman Charles Nordell, Selectman

**ATTENDANCE:** First Selectman Bowsza hosted the in-person meeting. Deputy

First Selectman DeSousa, Selectman Baker, Selectman Muska, and

Selectman Nordell were present in person.

**ABSENT:** All members of the Board of Selectmen were present in person.

**GUESTS/SPEAKERS in-person:** Tom Bulkeley.

**GUESTS/SPEAKERS signing in to meeting remotely**: Erin Szabo.

#### 1. <u>TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING:</u>

First Selectman Bowsza called the Special Meeting of the East Windsor Board of Selectmen to Order at 6:07 p.m. in the John Daly, Jr. Meeting Room, Town Hall, 11 Rye Street, Broad Brook, CT 06016. The meeting was also available remotely.

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## 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

First Selectman Bowsza requested Deputy First Selectman DeSousa to lead everyone in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

## 3. <u>ATTENDANCE:</u>

See Attendance noted at the beginning of the meeting.

# 4. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**

First Selectman Bowsza noted the first opportunity for anyone in the in-person audience to comment or ask questions.

<u>Tom Bulkeley, Kings Court, Broad Brook:</u> Mr. Bulkeley questioned the process for the program, he asked if people went out and shopped and maybe filled the book up even more to participate? First Selectman Bowsza suggested the notion was to buy local during the holiday season and stretch it longer than normal so we could encourage local spending in our local economy for our local businesses.

Mr. Bulkeley asked if the qualifying classifications would be discussed later? First Selectman Bowsza replied affirmatively, noting he would describe the classifications during the drawings. First Selectman Bowsza suggested they would probably also discuss the process/success with the business participants as well. First Selectman Bowsza noted they've already considered some improvements for the next program.

Mr. Bulkeley asked if the winners have to be present at the drawings? First Selectman Bowsza suggested that wasn't a requirement.

First Selectman Bowsza asked if anyone else in the meeting room would like to speak; no one requested to be acknowledged. First Selectman Bowsza then offered the same opportunity to the remote participants; no one requested to comment.

#### 5. <u>NEW BUSINESS:</u>

**Small Business Passport Raffle** 

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First Selectman Bowsza recognized Melissa LaBelle and Jennifer Sanchez for doing an outstanding job coordinating the raffle event.

First Selectman Bowsza suggested he felt this event was a way to be supportive of the local business community. One of the things that will have to be considered is the threshold for prizes, which he felt were high. First Selectman Bowsza noted that with 20 participating businesses and about 2,000 passports in circulation he felt this was a good first step.

First Selectman Bowsza then noted the rules for participating in the program:

- A purchase is necessary to be eligible for each passport sticker, one sticker per visit with sticker.
- ➤ Purchases must be made between August 19<sup>th</sup> and November 26<sup>th</sup>, 2022.
- Any passport with 45 stickers or more will be entered into a drawing for the Grand Prize, which is \$1,500.00
- Anyone with 39 stickers or more will be entered into a drawing for the Second Prize, which is \$1,000. That also includes anyone who was eligible for the Grand Prize who didn't win. And those who don't win the Second Prize drawing will also be entered into the Third Prize drawing for \$500 which requires 33 stickers.
- First Selectman Bowsza reported the prize money was generated by the businesses paying a \$150 participation fee. No tax dollars were required to provide this support for the business community.
- ➤ Prize drawings will occur at a Board of Selectmen Meeting to be held on December 13, 2022.

First Selectman Bowsza then proceeded with the various drawings.

# Participants qualified for the Grand Prize:

Pam and Bruce Putinas – 46 Lindsay O'Donnell – 45 Heather Hynes – 45 Chris Smith – 45 Erin Szabo– 45

First Selectman Bowsza asked Jan, from East River Massage, to select the winner.

First Selectman Bowsza announced the winner of the Grand Prize was Heather Hynes.

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#### Participants qualified for the Second Prize:

Pam and Bruce Putinas – 46 Lindsay O'Donnell – 45

Chris Smith – 45

Erin Szabo – 45

**AND** 

Kim Goulet – 42

Jessica Kolakowski - 40

Jane Vignone – 40

Sylvia McGrath – 40

Laura Dolloff - 39

First Selectman Bowsza requested Jeff Holcombe, of Agonist Gallery, to select the Second Prize winner.

First Selectman Bowsza announced the winner of the Second Prize was Jane Vignone.

## Participants qualified for the Third Prize:

Pam and Bruce Putinas – 46

Lindsay O'Donnell – 45

Chris Smith – 45

Erin Szabo – 45

**AND** 

Kim Goulet - 42

Jessica Kolakowski - 40

Sylvia McGrath – 40

Laura Dolloff – 39

**AND** 

Kristina Nordell – 35

Joe Szabo – 33

First Selectman Bowsza requested Deputy First Selectman DeSousa select the Third Prize winner.

First Selectman Bowsza announced the winner of the Third Prize was Erin Szabo who is participating remotely.

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First Selectman Bowsza thanked the businesses who participated in the program, and the people who supported those businesses. He hoped everyone found it to be fun, and people may have discovered a business they didn't know about, and, he hoped everyone will participate next year.

# 6. <u>ADJOURNMENT:</u>

Having no other business to conduct First Selectman Bowsza called for a motion to adjourn.

MOTION: To ADJOURN this Meeting at 6:15 p.m.

Muska moved/Nordell seconded/<u>DISCUSSION:</u> None VOTE: In Favor: DeSousa/Baker/Muska/Nordell