

## **Special Board of Selectmen's Meeting – June 7, 2021 (Approved minutes)**

Robert McGarry called the meeting to order at 6:35 pm at the Old Town Hall, 21 Field Park Drive, Haddam CT 06438

Kate Anderson and Sean Moriarty were present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**Approval of Agenda:** Moriarty made a motion to approve the Agenda. No discussion. Motion carried unanimously.

### **Approval of Minutes:**

**May 10, 2021:** Anderson made a motion to approve the May 10, 2021 minutes. No discussion. Motion carried unanimously.

### **Public Comment:**

**Maurice Adams, 32 Gates Way, Haddam:** commented and presented to the Board information he'd like to see regarding the Higganum Center projects, including the project page on the town website. He's like to see more information as well as cost on the website.

**Mark Stephens, 33 Maple Avenue, Higganum:** Complimented the number of volunteers that are going to be appointed later in the meeting to the Sustainability Committee.

**Alan Aronow, 1 Haddam Dock Road, Haddam:** Commented that the Board should review the Fuss & O'neal Study on Higganum Center.

### **Selectman's Update:**

#### **Projects**

- Scovil Hoe – Municipal Brownfield grant application pends
- Bridge Road
  - Roundabouts –
    - Information Sessions
      - Public – Tues, June 8 at 7:00 p.m. Online
    - Construction – Spring 23 to Fall 24
  - Sidewalks
- Haddam Center Sidewalks (Grant funded)
  - Project out for bid
  - One bid received. Over budget. Will revisit plans and rebid early next year.

#### **Other**

- Financial
  - Budgets – Passed at Town Meeting May 26<sup>th</sup>. 0.47 mil increase
  - American Rescue Plan – \$2.4 million in 2 payments, 1 yr apart.
- Public Health – Scott?
  - Covid-19
    - Last case reported 5/15
    - 417 total cases.

- Vaccines available 12 and older
- Union negotiations are on-going with Teamsters. Tentative agreement with clerical.

**Anderson:**

- The Farmer's Market started on June 4<sup>th</sup> and will be every Friday from 3:30 pm – 6:30 pm. Volunteers are always needed. High School Students can volunteer at the Farmers Market to fulfil their graduation requirement.
- River Days will take place on September 11<sup>th</sup> with a rain date of September 12<sup>th</sup>.
- Grimms Haunted House with Trunk or Treat will take place this year at the former Haddam Elementary School.
- In December there will be a tree lighting.

**Board of Education Update:** Jennifer Favalora presented the Board of Education update. Attached as Schedule 1.

**Tax Refunds:**

| <u>Last Name</u>              | <u>Bill Number</u>   | <u>Amount</u>     |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|-------------------|
| <b>Personal Property (02)</b> |                      |                   |
| <b>abid, nasim</b>            | <b>2019-02-40002</b> | <b>\$774.98</b>   |
| <b>TOTAL:</b>                 |                      | <b>\$774.98</b>   |
| <b>Motor Vehicle (03)</b>     |                      |                   |
| <b>Acar Leading Company</b>   | <b>19-3-50017</b>    | <b>\$263.24</b>   |
| <b>Cotrona, Kirsten</b>       | <b>19-3-52136</b>    | <b>\$216.01</b>   |
| <b>UBS Leasing</b>            | <b>2019-03-59395</b> | <b>\$694.80</b>   |
| <b>Putnam, Stephen</b>        | <b>2019-03-57553</b> | <b>\$43.07</b>    |
| <b>nissan Infinity LT LLC</b> | <b>2019-03-56750</b> | <b>\$296.11</b>   |
| <b>Total</b>                  |                      | <b>\$1,513.23</b> |

Moriarty made a motion to approve the June tax refunds as presented. No discussion. Motion carried unanimously.

**Middlesex Land Trust Reimbursement:** Anderson made a motion to reimburse the Middlesex Land Trust in the amount of \$1,885.86. There was a brief discussion. Motion carried unanimously.

**Appointments:**

**Haddam Killingworth Recreation Authority:** Moriarty made a motion to send to Town Meeting for approval the appointment of Peter Christopher, David Law, Jason Lonergan and Jennifer O'Neal to the Haddam Killingworth Recreation Department. No discussion. Motion carried unanimously.

**Sustainability Committee:** Moriarty made a motion to appoint Daniel Ardila, Jeff Lord, Jenn White, Joanne Nesti, Linda Talbott, Kristin Battistoni, Kristy Benson, Mary Nork, John Nork, Sarah Neal, David Neal, Susan Kautz, Teresa Resnick, Tom Koblyenski, Gail Reynolds and Mark Lundgren. No discussion. Motion carried unanimously.

**New Business:**

- **Peddlers Permit:** There was a discussion the status of the peddlers permits.
- **HES Property Listing:** Anderson made a motion to authorized McGarry to sign the Exclusive Listing Agreement for 272 Saybrook Road, Haddam. No discussion. Motion carried unanimously.
- **Set a Town Meeting:** A Town Meeting is scheduled for June 30, 2021 at 7:00 pm.

**Adjournment:** Moriarty made a motion to adjourn. No discussion. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned 7:25 pm. Minutes taken by JoAnn Ricciardelli