



**TOWN OF OLD SAYBROOK
SELECTMEN'S OFFICE**

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**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
HYBRID MEETING**

Tuesday, October 12, 2021

3:30 p.m.

Old Saybrook Town Hall – First Floor Conference Room

Direct link to the recording: <https://youtu.be/KoKnm2zndFw>

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Board of Selectmen Meetings: _

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLKX0JMf1KPp9SQAHOQUQCR3yLtNYxKOWK>

Covid-19 Playlist: <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLKX0JMf1KPp9udiWTL-WmjmxSYBnCU8N>

- I. CALL TO ORDER** – Mr. Pugliese and Mr. Fortuna present; Mr. Giegerich absent
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** - Recited
- III. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC** - None
- IV. COMMENTS FROM THE SELECTMEN** – Mr. Fortuna commented on ticket

sales from The Kate noting that they are in most cases back to pre-pandemic levels. The Board then discussed the American Rescue Plan funds and a possible RFQ for a consultant. Mr. Pugliese asked if the consultant may be able to assist with reporting and compliance, which they can, but Mr. Fortuna did not think we would need much assistance with reporting. His second question revolved around the scope of work and whether it could be expanded if we hired a consultant, which we would be able to do with mutual agreement. Mr. Fortuna further discussed the composition of the board will be decided after the election.

- V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Board of Selectmen Meeting September 28, 2021 –
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- VI. BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD**

- A.** Motion to add to the agenda an authorizing resolution for both the 2020 and 2021 DEMHS Region 2 Grant which allows the First Selectman to enter into with and deliver to the State of CT Department of Emergency Services any and all documents which it deems necessary or appropriate.

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- B.** An authorizing resolution for both the 2020 and 2021 DEMHS Region 2 Grant which allows the First Selectman to enter into with and deliver to the State of CT Department of Emergency Services any and all documents which it deems necessary or appropriate.

Mr. Fortuna went through the materials for the Resolution, which is passed by the Board of Selectmen every year. Motion to approve.

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C. Discussion regarding the consolidation of the Middletown and Estuary Transit Districts.

Mr. Charlie Norz, Board member for the Transit District, gave an update on where we are with consolidation. The two districts are essentially acting as one right now, with Joe Comerford running the organization. The resolution would have Old Saybrook endorse the merger, which most towns in our region have already done. The one note of concern is that the Department of Transportation (DOT) has not given firm financial commitment towards future funding. However, this should not stop the merger as without federal and state funding, the district would be unable to operate. The towns could never afford to fund the operations so it is assumed that state and federal funding will continue. The board endorsed the resolution put forward by Mr. Norz and the district.

VII. ADJOURNMENT - Motion to adjourn at 4:30 pm

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Respectfully submitted,
Carl P. Fortuna Jr., First Selectman