

TOWN OF OLD SAYBROOK SELECTMEN'S OFFICE

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SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES HYBRID MEETING Thursday, July 1, 2021 12:15 p.m.

Old Saybrook Town Hall – First Floor Conference Room

Direct link to the recording: <u>https://youtu.be/MJY3wuDC000</u> It is also included in the following playlists: Board of Selectmen Meetings: _ <u>https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLKX0JMf1KPp9SQAH0GUQCR3yLtNYxKOWK</u>

Covid-19 Playlist: https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLKX0JMf1KPp9udiWTL-WmjmxySYBnCU8N

- I. CALL TO ORDER All members present
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Recited
- III. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC None
- **IV. COMMENTS FROM THE SELECTMEN** Scott Giegerich mentioned the untimely passing of Mike Evangelisti and noted all the good things he did for the town; Mr. Pugliese made comment that the Economic Development Commission (EDC) still has a vacancy and Kasey Hand is an excellent candidate, and that perhaps we should roundtable a discussion on American Rescue Plan Funds (ARPA) funds in the form of a workshop prior to the next meeting.

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Board of Selectmen Meeting June 8, 2021 *FORTUNA /PUGLIESE*

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

VI. BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD

A. Discussion and possible action on approval of an appropriation from the American Rescue Plan Funds (ARPA) in the amount of \$7,774.83 for the purpose of purchasing technology equipment that provides the ability to have hybrid meetings (in person and via zoom).

Moved and seconded and Mr. Hayden gave an overview of what has been accomplished with these funds since ARPA was passed. The Board was highly complementary of Mr. Hayden's work over the last 15 months.

FORTUNA /GIEGERICH

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

B. Discussion and possible action on approval of an appropriation from the American Rescue Plan Funds in the amount of \$77, 777.22 for the purpose of acquiring and installing a water utility main on Evans Lane.

Moved and seconded and Mr. Fortuna gave a history of the lack of public water on Evans Lane and how the homes there have septics within 70 feet of their wells and most all homeowners drink filtered/bottled water. This issue has been considered for nearly 5 years and now that there is funding specific for water infrastructure, this item is being brought forward as a perfect project to do now. Connecticut Water Company has stated that the work will commence in August. Moved and approved

FORTUNA /PUGLIESE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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C. Call of Special Amended/Revised Town Meeting July 13, 2021

The call is the same except it eliminates the revisions to section 118 – Fees which has generated the most controversy. Mr. Fortuna has vowed to continue the discussion to make the transfer station safer and more environmentally friendly. Moved and approved.

FORTUNA /GIEGERICH

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

D. Discussion and action to remove 95 Middletown Avenue from seasonal Classification recorded in Volume 200 and approve as a year round dwelling. Moved and approved.

FORTUNA /PUGLIESE

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

E. Discussion and action to remove 10 Mohican Trail from seasonal classification recorded in Volume 200 and approve as a year round dwelling. Moved and approved.

FORTUNA /GIEGERICH

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- F. Appointments
 - 1. <u>Planning Commission</u> Resignation vacancy regular member. This appointment is until the next municipal election November 2021 at which time it will be placed on the ballot for a term of two years until 11/2023. Norm Prevost nominated to be appointed as a regular member.

The First Selectman explained that with elected positions, he has always recommended that the prior municipal election be given proper consideration when filling vacancies on these boards. Moved and approved.

FORTUNA PUGLIESE

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. <u>Zoning Commission</u> – Resignation vacancy regular member. Elevation alternate member Marc Delmonico. This appointment is until the next municipal election November 2021 at which time it will be placed on the ballot for a term of two years until 11/2023. Moved and approved.

FORTUNA /GIEGERICH MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

VII. ADJOURNMENT – Motion to adjourn at 1:25 pm FORTUNA /GIEGERICH MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Respectfully submitted,

Carl P. Fortuna Jr., First Selectman