

MINUTES OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING - May 21, 2019

MINUTES of Special Town Meeting held May 21, 2019, 6:30 p.m. in the first floor conference room, 302 Main Street, with approximately 20 persons attending. Please note that meeting was called to be in the second floor conference room, however, due to the number of people attending was determined that the first floor had better accommodations for those in attendance.

Carl Fortuna, First Selectman, called the meeting to order and led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance. Carl Fortuna moved, seconded by Bob Fish and unanimously voted that Christina Antolino would serve as the Moderator of this meeting. The Moderator asked the Town Clerk, Sarah V. Becker, to read the call of the meeting.

ITEM 1. TO act upon the recommendation of the Board of Selectmen to approve two applications for the Neighborhood Assistance Act (NAA) (Connecticut General Statutes Sections 12-631 – 12-638):

- a. The Connecticut Sports Foundation Against Cancer: \$150,000 based on the NAA's Energy Conservation Program tax credit of 100%.
- b. The Katharine Hepburn Cultural Arts Center: an amount up to \$150,000 based on the NAA's Energy Conservation Program tax credit of 100%.

First Selectman Fortuna addressed the request and moved, seconded by Liz Steffen, the adoption of this Item 1. The Moderator called for a vote and ITEM 1 was ADOPTED unanimously.

ITEM 2. To act upon the recommendation of the Board of Finance and the Board of Selectmen to appropriate \$33,200 from the Town's Capital Non-Recurring Municipal Reserve Fund to purchase and install a central air system at the Youth 7 Family Service Building located at 322 Main Street, and to move said funds into a new off budget account entitled "YFS HVAC Installation".

The First Selectman advised that this building is very old and currently cooling is being done very inefficiently (individual units stored in the basement during winter then installed in windows for the summer months). He noted that 10-12 staff occupies the building not including clients. He asked that Dan Moran, Facilities Manager, report his findings and proposal upon examination of the building. Mr. Moran wrote the specifications for the proposal which include 2 air handlers and 2 compressors. While the work is being done the staff will temporarily relocate. First Selectman Fortuna noted that \$275,000 is put in the non-recurring account yearly to fund various projects.

Mark Caldarella moved, seconded by Carol Rzasa and unanimously voted to ADOPT ITEM 2.

ITEM 3. To act upon the recommendation of the Board of Finance and Board of Selectman to appropriate \$200,000 to the General Fund Capital Outlay account and to move said funds to the existing off budget account entitled "Sidewalk Construction".

First Selectman Fortuna spoke regarding the phases already completed and future work to be completed. He said the sidewalks installation will follow those previously done and coincide with the look, etc. of the rest of the town. He further noted that a surplus from various departments is projected in the current budget and will be used to fund this project. On a motion duly made and seconded, ITEM 3 was ADOPTED.

On a motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously voted to ADJOURN at 6:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah V. Becker, CCMC
TOWN CLERK