TOWN OF OLD SAYBROOK SELECTMEN'S OFFICE



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SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2020

2:00 P.M.

Town Hall – First Floor Conference Room

- I. CALL TO ORDER All members present
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Recited
- **III. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC None**
- IV. COMMENTS FROM THE SELECTMAN None at this time
- V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Special Board of Selectmen Meeting January 28, 2020 Approved

VI. BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD

- A. Discussion and possible action on funding for capital improvement items Department of Public Works and Acton Public Library. The updated request is to fund the DPW request over five years at a price not to exceed \$380,000. Mr. Pugliese asked if we should move this now but the First Selectman advised waiting until a Call of Special Town Meeting is prepared.
- **B.** Discussion and possible action on MIRA Non-Binding Informational Statement of Interest. The First Selectman stated that he would like the BOS to authorize him to sign this since it is non-binding. Should this project proceed under these terms, this would need to come back to the BOS and then to town meeting. Mr. Pugliese asked about tonnage requirements but the requirement is more that the town guarantee all their tonnage, no matter how much. There is no minimum amount. Moved and approved.
 - C. Community Connectivity Project to Construct Sidewalks on Route 1 (Between Pond and Lynde Street): Public Comment- Chris Taylor from Jacobson's office was present to discuss. He mentioned the funding requirements, that inland wetlands will also have to approve and he then discussed the timeline of the project, which is probably the fall of 2020. Mr. Pugliese mentioned how this fits in well with the town's planning for walkability.
 - **D.** Presentation of the 2020-2021 FY budget to the Board of Selectmen-Action requested: The Board heard from the First Selectman and the Finance director on capital requests, operation requests, debt service and long-term capital needs. The mill rate would go up .16 which is still one of the lowest increases in in the last 20 years. Mr. Fortuna showed a mill rate history to the board. The budget was moved and approved
 - **E.** Discussion and action on the recommendation of the Building Inspector for refund of building permit fee to Southern New England Windows:
 - i. 56 Bokum Road \$101.34
 - ii. 11 James Court \$202.91

Both refunds moved and approved.

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F. Appointments

1. <u>Historic District Commission</u>. Alternate vacancy. This appointment is for the unexpired portion of a five-year term due to expire 12/2020 Moved and approved.

VII. COMMENTS FROM THE SELECTMEN – Mr. Giegerich was complimentary of the budget and feels that it delivers good services at fair value. He was also happy about the decision of the Zoning Commission concerning recreational playing field lights. Mr. Pugliese commented on three items: He asked for an update on the intersection of Research Parkway and Elm, which Mr. Fortuna gave him. He asked for an update on the banner across Main Street, which Mr. Fortuna said he would check with the Chief. He also asked about the traffic issues that occur when there is flooding under the Elm Street overpass. The board agreed they would ask Mr. Bonin to come to a meeting in March.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT So moved at 3:30 p.m.