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SELECTMEN'S MEETING AGENDA

March 20, 2024

Fire Headquarters – 4:30 p.m.

1. To consider, and if appropriate, approve the Board of Selectmen minutes of February 21, 2024.
2. Executive Session – Discussion of Stipulation for Judgment in the Api-Sycamore. LLC v. Town of Branford tax appeal case.
3. To consider, and if appropriate, approve a Stipulation For Judgment in the Api-Sycamore. LLC v. Town of Branford tax appeal case.
4. To consider, and if appropriate, approve a request from Thomas Mahoney, Fire Chief to waive the bid process for the purchase of sole source cloud-based software licensing and retrofit kits for the existing narcotic safes and award the contract to Bioconnect Inc.
5. To receive a report from Brian Devlin, Superintendent, Wastewater Treatment Facility for emergency work necessary to repair a failed pump at the Ponds Pump Station in the amount of \$14,287.77.
6. To consider, and if appropriate, approve a request from Brian Devlin, Superintendent, Wastewater Treatment Facility to waive the bid for materials needed for the Pine Orchard Pump Station wet well rebuild and award the contract to Control Systems of Connecticut, Inc. in the amount of \$13,600.
7. To consider, and if appropriate, approve a request from Alex Palluzzi, Director Parks and Recreation to waive an informality in the bid received for the basketball and tennis court renovations to Foote Memorial Park Basketball Court and Veteran's Memorial Park Tennis Courts to award the contract to Hinding Tennis LLC, in the amount of \$117,400. The lowest bidder neglected to have the Non-Collusion Affidavit notarized.
8. To consider, and if appropriate, approve a request from the Pine Orchard Association to install a Free Little Library on town owned property located at 237 Pine Orchard Road, exact location to meet the requirements established by the Engineering Department.

9. To consider, and if appropriate, approve the following proclamation:

Arbor Day

Whereas, In 1872, J. Sterling Morton proposed to the Nebraska Board of Agriculture that a special day be set aside for the planting of trees, and;

Whereas, this holiday, called Arbor Day, was first observed with the planting of more than a million trees in Nebraska, and;

Whereas, Arbor Day is now observed throughout the nations and the world, and

Whereas, trees can reduce the erosion of our precious topsoil by wind and water, cut heating and cooling costs, moderate the temperature, clean the air, produce life-giving oxygen, and provide habitat for wildlife, and;

Whereas, trees are a renewable resource giving us paper, wood for our homes, fuel for our fires and countless other wood products, and;

Whereas, trees in our town increase property values, enhance the economic vitality of business areas, and beautify our community, and;

Whereas, trees, wherever they are planted, are a source of joy and spiritual renewal.

Now, therefore, We, The Board of Selectmen of the Town of Branford, do hereby proclaim April 26, 2024 as Arbor Day in the Town of Branford and urge all citizens to celebrate Arbor Day and to support efforts to protect our trees and woodlands, and plant trees to gladden the heart and promote the well-being of this and future generations.

10. Green Use:

To consider, and if appropriate, approve a request from the Society of Nepalese in America for use of the Town Green on March 24, 2024 from 12:00 p.m. noon to 3:00 p.m. hold a Holi Festival (Play with Colours).

To consider, and if appropriate, approve a request from Marion Lovig for use of the Town Green on May 2, 2024 from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. to hold a prayer in recognition of National Day of Prayer.

To consider, and if appropriate, approve a request from Daid Lancolais, Mary Tisko Chorus for use of the Town Green on May 30, 2024 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. to hold a Chorus Concert.

11. Correspondence

12. Other

13. Adjournment