## BOARD OF SELECTMEN

BRANFORD, CONNECTICUT

JAMES B. COSGROVE First Selectman

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TOWN CLEAKS OFFICE

# MINUTES OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING February 5, 2020 Fire Headquarters - 6:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. Present were First Selectman James B. Cosgrove, and Second Selectman Raymond Dunbar, Jr. Third Selectman Joseph Higgins, Jr. was absent. Also present were Attorney James Perito; Kurt Schwanfelder, Town Treasurer; Jack Ahern and Lisa Ahern.

Motion made by Selectman Dunbar to approve the Board of Selectmen minutes of December 4, 2019. Seconded by First Selectman Cosgrove. Vote unanimous.

Motion made by Selectman Dunbar to approve a request from the Branford Land Trust for an abatement of taxes for property located at 21 Anchorage Road aka 21 Anchorage Farm Road for Grand List years 2018 and 2019. Seconded by First Selectman Cosgrove. Vote unanimous.

Motion made by First Selectman Cosgrove to approve the following resolution:

Regional Performance Incentive (RPI) Program
Resolution of Endorsement

The Board of Selectmen of the Town of Branford hereby endorse the South Central Regional Council of Governments (SCRCOG) Regional Performance Incentive Program (RPIP) proposals listed below, authorizing SCRCOG to apply for funding under RPIP, and authorizing SCRCOG to enter into any required contract and/or agreement should the proposals be selected for an RPIP award, all as referenced in Connecticut General Statutes Section 4-124s. Such proposals are attached to and made a part of this record.

- Regional Cybersecurity Initiative
- School Waste Diversion Pilot Program

Seconded by Selectman Dunbar. Vote unanimous.

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Motion made by Selectman Dunbar to approve a request from Marion Lovig for use of the Town Green on May 16, 2020 to hold a National Day of Prayer service from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Seconded by First Selectman Cosgrove. Vote unanimous.

Motion made by First Selectman Cosgrove approve a request from Trista Milici for the placement of a decorated wooden heart on the Town Green from January 31, 2020 to February 28, 2020 to raise awareness for the American Heart Association's Go Red for Women campaign and American Heart Month. Seconded by Selectman Dunbar. Vote unanimous.

Motion made by First Selectman Cosgrove to approve a request from the Conservation and Environmental Commission and Community Forest Commission for use of the Town Green on April 25, 2020 to hold Earth Day and Clean-up Day from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Seconded by Selectman Dunbar. Vote unanimous.

Motion made by First Selectman Cosgrove to approve a request from the Branford Community Gardens for use of the Town Green on May 16, 2020 and August 22, 2020 to hold a plant and produce sale from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Seconded by Selectman Dunbar. Vote unanimous.

Motion made by Selectman Dunbar to approve a request from the Branford Community Gardens (with the Branford Education Foundation and Garden Club) for use of the Town Green on September 19, 2020 to hold a plant and produce sale from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Seconded by First Selectman Cosgrove. Vote unanimous.

Motion made by First Selectman Cosgrove to approve a request from the Smile Anyway for use of the Town Green on August 29, 2020 to hold a music festival from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. Seconded by Selectman Dunbar. Vote unanimous.

Motion made by First Selectman Cosgrove to approve a request from the Branford Counseling Center for use of the Town Green on September 13, 2020 to hold the annual Pat Andriole Family Day from noon to 4:00 p.m.. Seconded by Selectman Dunbar. Vote unanimous.

Motion made by First Selectman Cosgrove to approve a request from the Branford Education Foundation for use of the Town Green on September 20, 2020 to hold Sunday Storytellers from noon to 5:00 p.m.. Seconded by Selectman Dunbar. Vote unanimous.

Motion made by First Selectman Cosgrove to approve a request from the Friends of the James Blackstone Memorial Library for use of the Town Green from September 24, 2020 through September 27, 2020 to hold the annual James Blackstone Library Book Sale. Seconded by Selectman Dunbar. Vote unanimous.

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Motion made by First Selectman Cosgrove to approve a request from the Branford Garden Club for the placement of Scarecrow displays on the Town Green from October 16, 2020 through November 3, 2020. Seconded by Selectman Dunbar. Vote unanimous.

## Appointments:

**Board of Fire Commissioners** 

Jack Ahern to fill a vacancy term expire January 31, 2023. Motion made by First Selectman Cosgrove to approve the appointment. Seconded by Selectman Dunbar. Vote unanimous.

### Conservation and Environmental Commission

Lana Bluege to fill a vacancy term to expire July 31, 2024. Motion made by Selectman Dunbar to approve the appointment. Seconded by First Selectman Cosgrove. Vote unanimous.

### **Public Building Committee**

Richard Saltz to fill a vacancy term to expire January 31, 2023. Motion made by First Selectman Cosgrove to approve the appointment. Seconded by Selectman Dunbar. Vote unanimous.

### Center Revitalization Review Board

Terence Elton to fill a vacancy term to expire March 31, 2022. Motion made by Selectman Dunbar to approve the appointment. Seconded by First Selectman Cosgrove. Vote unanimous.

### Stony Creek Village District Architectural Review Board

Betsy Wieland to fill a vacancy term to expire May 31, 2023. Motion made by Selectman Dunbar to approve the appointment. Seconded by First Selectman Cosgrove. Vote unanimous.

Tree Warden - David McCarthy. Motion made by First Selectman Cosgrove to approve the appointment. Seconded by Selectman Dunbar. Vote unanimous.

#### Reappointments:

Academy on the Green

Albert Russell term to expire January 30, 2025. Motion made by Selectman Dunbar to approve the reappointment. Seconded by First Selectman Cosgrove. Vote unanimous.

#### **Board of Ethics**

Kyle Nelson term to expire January 31, 2025. Motion made by Selectman Dunbar to approve the reappointment. Seconded by First Selectman Cosgrove. Vote unanimous.

#### Board of Fire Commissioners

Madeline Clem term to expire January 31, 2023. Motion made by First Selectman Cosgrove to approve the reappointment. Seconded by Selectman Dunbar. Vote unanimous.

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### Board of Police Commissioners

Richard Goodwin and Valerie Wiel-Wilkins terms to expire January 31, 2023. Motion made by Selectman Dunbar to approve the reappointments. Seconded by First Selectman Cosgrove. Vote unanimous.

## **Public Building Commission**

Peter Banca term to expire January 31, 2023. Motion made by Selectman Dunbar to approve the reappointment. Seconded by First Selectman Cosgrove. Vote unanimous.

Stony Creek Village District Architectural Review Board William Murray term to expire May 31, 2023. Motion made by Selectman Dunbar to approve the reappointment. Seconded by First Selectman Cosgrove. Vote unanimous.

John Herzan, Greg Ames and Sam Kirby terms to expire May 31, 2024. Motion made by Selectman Dunbar to approve the reappointments. Seconded by First Selectman Cosgrove. Vote unanimous.

Correspondence – none

Other – First Selectman Cosgrove mentioned to notices that were sent out last week concerning curbside trash collection and the use of the oversized/overweight collection containers.

Motion made by Selectman Dunbar to adjourn the meeting at 6:15 p.m. Seconded by First Selectman Cosgrove. Vote unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Trista Milici

Clerk