

# BOARD OF SELECTMEN

BRANFORD, CONNECTICUT

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*First Selectman*

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## MINUTES OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING

March 1, 2017 – approved

Fire Department Headquarters – 6:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m. Present were First Selectman James B. Cosgrove; Second Selectman Joseph E. Higgins, Jr. and Third Selectman John J. Ahern. Also present were: James Perito, Attorney; Dan Gregory, Superintendent, WPCF; Dan McGowan; Alex Palluzzi, Director, Parks and Recreation.

Motion made by Selectman Higgins to approve the Board of Selectmen minutes of February 1, 2017 and February 8, 2017 (special meeting). Seconded by Selectman Ahern. Vote unanimous.

Motion made by Selectman Ahern to enter into executive session at 6:06 p.m. to discuss pending tax appeals. Seconded by Selectman Higgins. Vote unanimous.

Present were First Selectman James B. Cosgrove; Second Selectman Joseph E. Higgins, Jr.; Third Selectman John J. Ahern and Attorney James Perito.

Motion made by Selectman Ahern to return to regular session at 6:14 p.m. Seconded by Selectman Higgins. Vote unanimous.

For the record no votes were taken while in executive session.

Motion made by Selectman Higgins to approve a settlement agreement as proposed by Attorney Perito in the Sherman v. Town of Branford - 129 Linden Avenue tax appeal. Seconded by Selectman Ahern. Vote unanimous.

Motion made by Selectman Higgins to approve a settlement agreement as proposed by Attorney Perito in the McCarthy v. Town of Branford - 6 Montgomery Parkway tax appeal. Seconded by Selectman Ahern. Vote unanimous.

Motion made by Selectman Higgins to approve a settlement agreement as proposed by Attorney Perito in the 330 East Main Street Associates v. Town of Branford - 330 East Main Street tax appeal. Seconded by Selectman Ahern. Vote unanimous.

Motion made by Selectman Ahern to approve an agreement between the Connecticut Light and Power Company DBA Eversource Energy and the Town of Branford for a Bright Idea Grant. Seconded by Selectman Higgins. Vote unanimous.

Motion made by Selectman Higgins to approve a proposal from DTC for Pre-renovation Level Asbestos Survey and Testing, Universal Waste Survey, Supplemental Phase III Environmental Site Assessment, Preparation of Technical Plans and Specifications, Bid Assistance and Oversight/Abatement Monitoring and Post-Abatement Clearance Testing for the Senior Center Community House Renovation and Expansion Project in the amount of \$65,600. Seconded by Selectman Ahern. Vote unanimous.

Motion made by Selectman Ahern to approve a recommendation from the Solid Waste Management Commission and extend the current contract for Curbside Collection of Municipal Solid Waste and Recycling to Hometown Waste, LLC at a cost of \$685,000. Seconded by Selectman Higgins. Vote unanimous.

Motion made by Selectman Higgins to approve a recommendation from the Solid Waste Management Commission and extend the current contract for Recycling of Commingled Containers to Winter Bros. Transfer Stations of CT, LLC at a revenue of \$20.00/ ton. Seconded by Selectman Ahern. Vote unanimous.

Motion made by Selectman Ahern to approve a recommendation from the Solid Waste Management Commission and extend the current contract for Hauling of Bottles and Cans to Cherry Hill Construction, Inc. at a cost of \$170.00/haul. Seconded by Selectman Higgins. Vote unanimous.

Motion made by Selectman Ahern to approve a recommendation from the Solid Waste Management Commission and extend the current contract for Recycling of Newspaper, Cardboard, and Office Paper to Murphy Road Recycling, LLC at a revenue based upon market values. Seconded by Selectman Higgins. Vote unanimous.

Motion made by Selectman Higgins to approve a recommendation from the Solid Waste Management Commission and extend the current contract for Hauling of Newspaper and Cardboard portion of the Hauling of Newspaper, Bottles and Cans, and Cardboard to All American Waste, LLC at a cost of \$100.00/haul. Seconded by Selectman Ahern. Vote unanimous.

Motion made by Selectman Higgins to approve a recommendation from the Solid Waste Management Commission and extend the current contract for Recycling of Scrap Metal to Rubino Brothers, Inc. at a revenue based upon market values. Seconded by Selectman Ahern. Vote unanimous.

Motion made by Selectman Higgins to approve a request from Dan Gregory, Superintendent, Water Pollution Control Facility to waive section 73-1 of the Code of the Town of Branford as permitted by section 73-2 and authorize the disposal of equipment and parts for the current scrap metal value. Seconded by Selectman Ahern. Vote unanimous.

Motion made by Selectman Ahern to approve a request from Dan Gregory, Superintendent, Water Pollution Control Facility to waive the bid for the raising of 21 existing manholes to finish grade and award the contract to Quality Construction in the amount of \$16,275. Seconded by Selectman Higgins. Vote unanimous.

Green Use:

Motion made by Selectman Higgins to approve a request from Sharon Gracen-Branford Green Committee for use of the Town Green on Saturday, April 22, 2017 to hold a Green Clean up beginning at 8:00 a.m. Seconded by Selectman Ahern. Vote unanimous.

Motion made by Selectman Higgins to approve a request from Marion Lovig for use of the Town Green on Thursday, May 4, 2017 to hold a community prayer (National Day of Prayer) from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Seconded by Selectman Ahern. Vote unanimous.

Motion made by Selectman Higgins to approve a request from the Branford Community Garden and Branford Garden Club for use of the Town Green on Saturday, May 20, 2017 to hold a farmer's market from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Seconded by Selectman Ahern. Vote unanimous.

Motion made by Selectman Higgins to approve a request from Diana Chadwick for use of the Town Green on Sunday, September 10, 2017 to hold Godfest beginning at noon. Seconded by Selectman Ahern. Vote unanimous.

Reappointments:

Public Building Commission – Standing Commission member

Robert Barnett to fill a vacancy left by Paul Cianci term to expire January 31, 2019. Motion made by Selectman Higgins to approve the reappointment. Seconded by Selectman Ahern. Vote unanimous.

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Human Services Board

Thomas Mahoney and William Keane terms to expire December 31, 2019. Motion made by Selectman Ahern to approve the reappointments. Seconded by Selectman Higgins. Vote unanimous.

Veterans Advisory Committee

Madeline Clem term to expire January 31, 2021. Motion made by Selectman Ahern to approve the reappointment. Seconded by Selectman Higgins. Vote unanimous.

Appointments:

Public Building Commission – Temporary member – Walsh Renovation Project  
Vincent Giordano III to fill a vacancy left by Robert Barnett being moved to full standing commission member. Motion made by Selectman Ahern. Seconded by Selectman Higgins. Vote unanimous.

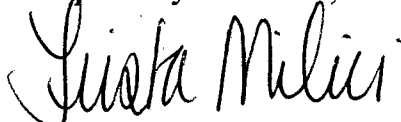
Public Building Commission – Temporary members – Senior Center/Community House Renovation and Expansion project  
Dagmar Ridgway and Alex Palluzzi. Motion made by Selectman Higgins to approve the appointments. Seconded by Selectman Ahern. Vote unanimous.

Correspondence - none

Other – JC Wyatt addressed the board to ask questions concerning COSTCO, the removal of trees around the center of town and also to comment concerning the design of WIS project.

Motion made by Selectman Ahern to adjourn the meeting at 6:46 p.m. Seconded by Selectman Higgins.

Respectfully Submitted,



Trista Milici  
Clerk