

# BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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## Minutes of Selectmen's Meeting June 2, 2021 Fire Headquarters - 6:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m. Present were First Selectman James B. Cosgrove, Second Selectman Raymond Dunbar and Third Selectman Angela M. Higgins. Also present were: Lisa Arpin, Town Clerk; Margaret Luberta, Director, Human Resources; James Finch, Finance Director; Thomas Mahoney, Fire Chief; Carolyn Sires and Frank Twohill, RTM members; Robert Costanzo; Todd Petrowski and Wayne Cooke.

Motion made by Selectwoman Higgins to approve the minutes of May 19, 2021. Seconded by Selectman Dunbar. Vote unanimous.

Motion made by Selectman Dunbar to add a 10 minute presentation by Wayne Cooke to the agenda as item 9A. Seconded by Selectwoman Higgins. Vote unanimous.

Executive Session – Tax Appeals - none

Motion made by Selectman Dunbar to approve a request from Lisa Arpin, Town Clerk to waive the bid for the purchase of software assurance for Resolution 3 Land Records Management System and award a five year contract to Cott Systems at a cost of \$12,240 per year (plus a one-time fee of \$1,280) contingent upon favorable report by the Board of Finance. Seconded by Selectwoman Higgins. Vote unanimous.

Motion made by Selectwoman Higgins to approve an employment agreement for Assistant Fire Chief Gary Bloomquist through September 30, 2025. Seconded by Selectman Dunbar. Vote unanimous.

Motion made by Selectwoman Higgins to approve a request from Margaret Luberta, Director, Human Resources, to include an additional loan option to the current Voya defined-contribution 457(b) plan. Seconded by Selectman Dunbar. Vote unanimous.

Motion made by Selectwoman Higgins to approve a request from Margaret Luberta, Director, Human Resources, to include an additional of a Roth 457 (b) account to the current Voya defined-contribution 457(b) plan. Seconded by Selectman Dunbar. Vote unanimous.

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Reappointments:

Parks and Open Space Authority

Wendy Burton to fill a vacancy left by Joseph Blumberg term to expire June 30, 2024. Motion made by Selectwoman Higgins to approve the reappointment. Seconded by Selectman Dunbar. Vote unanimous.

Amy Bartels to fill a vacancy left by Connie Drysdale term to expire June 30, 2024. Motion made by Selectwoman Higgins to approve the reappointment. Seconded by Selectman Dunbar. Vote unanimous

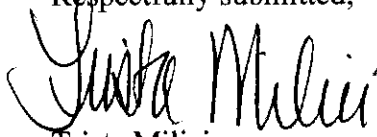
Correspondence – None

Other – Dan Hally addressed the board to request that the Department of Public Works clean out the culverts located on Red Hill Road.

Wayne Cooke addressed the board and made an 11 minute presentation including slides concerning several issues including the formation of an Office of Accountability, Taking of Tabor, Disregard for citizens comments, IW Conspiracy, COSTCO Application, Medlyn Farm, Atlantic Wharf, Community Center Building, Branford Housing Authority, BOF Lack of Transparency, Town's Special Funds, Crescent Bluff, Green Cult, Ad hoc Clean Energy Committee, Plan of Conservation and Development, Exit 53, Dan Cosgrove Animal Shelter, removal of signs, and censorship.

Motion made by Selectman Dunbar to adjourn the meeting at 6:56 p.m. Seconded by Selectwoman Higgins. Vote unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,



Trista Milici  
Clerk