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JAMES B. COSGROVE First Selectman

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MINUTES OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING August 2, 2017 – approved by the BOS 09-6-17 Fire Department Headquarters – 6:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. Present were First Selectman James B. Cosgrove; Second Selectman Joseph E. Higgins, Jr. and Third Selectman John J. Ahern. Also present were: William Aniskovich, Town Attorney; Alex Palluzzi, Director, Parks and Recreation; James Finch, Finance Director; and Attorney Judy Murray.

Motion made by Selectman Higgins to approve the Board of Selectmen minutes of July 19, 2017. Seconded by Selectman Ahern. Vote unanimous.

Motion made by Selectman Ahern to enter into executive session at 6:01 p.m. to discuss a proposed settlement in the Alfred Scarpa v. Town of Branford Workers' Compensation claim. Seconded by Selectman Higgins. First Selectman Cosgrove invited James Finch and Attorney Murray to attend the executive session. Vote unanimous.

Present in executive session were First Selectman James B. Cosgrove; Second Selectman Joseph E. Higgins, Jr.; Third Selectman John J. Ahern; Finance Director James Finch and Attorney Judy Murray.

Motion made by Selectman Ahern to return to regular session at 6:13 p.m. Seconded by Selectman Higgins. Vote unanimous.

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

Motion made by Selectman Ahern to approve a settlement agreement as proposed by Attorney Murray in the Alfred Scarpa v. Town of Branford Workers' Compensation claim. Seconded by Selectman Higgins. Vote unanimous.

Town Attorney Bill Aniskovich addressed the board to provide additional information concerning the request to waive the bid for the transfer of property to the Housing Authority.

Motion made by Selectman Ahern to approve the request to waive the bid for the transfer of a parcel of land at the edge of the public parking lot adjacent to Sliney Field to be deeded to the Housing Authority of the Town of Branford. Seconded by Selectman Higgins. Vote unanimous.

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Motion made by Selectman Ahern to approve a request from Dan Gregory, Superintendent, WPCF to waive the bid for the repair of the sludge collection mechanism in the primary clarifier and award the contract to Kovacs Construction in the amount of \$31,250. Seconded by Selectman Higgins. Vote unanimous.

Motion made by Selectman Ahern to approve a request from Dan Gregory, Superintendent, WPCF to waive the bid for the replacement of 125 feet of 8 inch force main at the Hemlock Road pump station and award the contract to Quality Associates in the amount of \$19,538.73. Seconded by Selectman Higgins. Vote unanimous.

Appointments:

Inland Wetlands Commission

Mark June-Wells to fill a vacancy left by John Rusatsky term to expire May 31, 2020. Motion made by Selectman Ahern to approve the appointment. Seconded by Selectman Higgins. Vote unanimous.

Green Use:

Motion made by Selectman Higgins to approve a request from Penny Dean for use of the town beach on Stony Creek to take wedding photos on September 30, 2017 from 4:00 to 4:30. Seconded by Selectman Ahern. Vote unanimous.

Motion made by Selectman Higgins to adjourn the meeting at 6:24 p.m. Seconded by Selectman Ahern. Vote unanimous.

Respectfully Submitted,

Trista Milici

Clerk