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MINUTES OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING
Video/teleconference meeting
June 3, 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 Mark Bobman, Executive Director, BRRFOC; Debi Caron, IT Director; Jon Mulhern, Chief of Police; John Alves, Deputy Police Chief; Dan Gregory, Superintendent, WPCF; Brian Devlin, WPCF; RTM Members: Ray Ingraham, Anthony Alfone, Carolyn Sires, Tom Brockett, Tracy Everson; and Wayne Cooke, resident. Shirley McCarthy joined at 6:14 p.m.

Motion made by First Selectman Cosgrove to approve the minutes from May 20, 2020.
Seconded by Selectman Dunbar. Vote unanimous.

Mark Bobman, Executive Director, BRRFOC addressed the board to provide additional information concerning the request to approve a Inter-Community Agreement Between the Cities and Towns of Berlin, Branford, Bristol, Burlington, Hartland, New Britain, Plainville, Plymouth, Prospect, Seymour, Southington, Warren, Washington and Wolcott and a resolution authorizing the First Selectman to enter into the Restated Inter-Community Agreement Regarding the BRRFOC that requires approval by the legislative body. This agreement will replace the current agreement that has been in place since 1985. Selectman Dunbar stated that he would like to have the RTM and Solid Waste Management Commission review the agreement before voting to approve it. The item was re-referred until the RTM and Solid Waste Management Commission review the agreement.

The following agenda item was amended: To consider, and if appropriate, approve a request from the Information Technology Director to waive the bid and approve a five year contract with Axon Technology for police body camera video cloud storage beginning FY 2020 at \$27,180 per year for a total of \$135,900. First Selectman Cosgrove amended the item as follows: To

consider, and if appropriate, approve a request from the Information Technology Director to waive the bid and approve a five year contract with Axon Technology for police body cameras and video cloud storage beginning FY 2020 for a total of \$181,260. Debi Caron and Jon Mulhern addressed the board and provided additional information concerning the request. Motion made by First Selectman Cosgrove to approve the amended agenda item. Seconded by Selectman Dunbar. Vote unanimous.

Motion made by First Selectman Cosgrove to approve a request from Dan Gregory Superintendent, WPCF to waive bid for pump station services and award the work for pump station control panels and alarm dialers to Control Systems of Connecticut, Inc. for fiscal year 2020/2021. Seconded by Selectman Dunbar. Vote unanimous.

Motion made by Selectman Dunbar to approve a request from Dan Gregory Superintendent, WPCF to waive bid for Construction and Excavation services for the WPCF and designate Quality Associates as the emergency and on call vendor for fiscal year 2020/2021. Seconded by First Selectman Cosgrove. Vote unanimous.

Appointments:

Clean Energy Ad Hoc Committee - John Prins

Motion made by First Selectman Cosgrove to approve the appointment. Seconded by Selectman Dunbar. Vote unanimous.

Commission on Elderly Services

Alpha Coiro term to expire December 31, 2023. Motion made by First Selectman Cosgrove to approve the appointment. Seconded by Selectman Dunbar. Vote unanimous.

Conservation / Environmental Commission

Christie Day term to expire July 31, 2024. Motion made by First Selectman Cosgrove to approve the appointment. Seconded by Selectman Dunbar. Vote unanimous.

Economic Development Commission

Elena Cahill term to expire July 31, 2023. Motion made by First Selectman Cosgrove to approve the appointment. Seconded by Selectman Dunbar. Vote unanimous.

Reappointments:

Cable Advisory

Margaret Hardenbergh term to expire June 30, 2022. Motion made by First Selectman Cosgrove to approve the reappointment. Seconded by Selectman Dunbar. Vote unanimous.

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Center Revitalization Review Board

Phil Carloni, Tricia Bohan Ridinger and Schuyler Coulter terms to expire May 31, 2023. Motion made by Selectman Dunbar to approve the reappointments. Seconded by First Selectman Cosgrove. Vote unanimous.

Other – First Selectman Cosgrove read an email addressed to the Board of Selectmen concerning Project Graduation.

Wayne Cooke addressed the board and stated he would like the First Selectman to take another look at the fund balance and use some of that money to help local businesses. He also asked questions concerning the Tabor property and the Shoreline Greenway Trail and the placement of the labyrinth.

First Selectman Cosgrove stated that Selectman Higgins is experiencing health issues and asked that the community keep him and his family in their thoughts and prayers.

Motion made by First Selectman Cosgrove to adjourn the meeting at 7:12 p.m. Seconded by Selectman Dunbar. Vote unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Trista Milici
Clerk