## BOARDOF SELECTMEN BRANFORD, CONNECTICUT



JAMES B. COSGROVE First Selectman

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Minutes of Selectmen's Meeting Video/teleconference meeting October 21, 2020 Fire Headquarters – 6:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 6:04 p.m. Present were First Selectman James B. Cosgrove, Second Selectman Raymond Dunbar and Third Selectman Angela M. Higgins. Also present were: Marilyn Vailette, Daniel Cosgrove Animal Shelter; Alex Palluzzi, Director, Parks and Recreation; RTM Member; Frank Twohill; Shirley McCarthy and Greg Ames, Clean Energy Ad Hoc Committee; Joseph Sepot, Joseh Sepot Architects; Gaile Ramey, Branford Land Trust; Wayne Cooke; Kate Galambos and several citizens.

Motion made by Selectman Dunbar to approve a request to approve a recommendation from the Public Building Commission and the Daniel Cosgrove Animal Shelter Commission to waive the bid for Architectural and Design services for the Daniel Cosgrove Animal Shelter Renovation and Expansion project and award the contract to Joseph Sepot Architects in the amount of \$90,000. Seconded by Selectwoman Higgins. Vote unanimous.

**Reappointments:** 

Veteran's Advisory Committee

Richard Dunn and Dennis Flanigan terms to expire January 31, 2022. This is a corrected of the term dates approved by the Board of Selectmen at the meeting held on October 7, 2020. Motion made by Selectman Dunbar to approve the reappointments. Seconded by Selectwoman Higgins. Vote unanimous.

Motion made by Selectwoman Higgins to approve a request from the Branford Garden Club to hold the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Pumpkin Pie Sale on Saturday, October 24, 2020 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Seconded by Selectman Higgins. Vote unanimous.

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Correspondence – First Selectman Cosgrove mentioned that he received a letter from Representative Brockett concerning the formation of a sidewalk committee. First Selectman Cosgrove stated he has staff conducting research of the formulation of a committee. He stated he also received a letter from Representative Brockett concerning a request of the Board of Selectmen to adopt a proclamation. He stated that he understands what this country is going through. Our community is inclusive, we celebrate our diversity and welcome it. We welcome any community within our community to be heard. We support one another. He stated he doesn't feel that the proclamation is appropriate for the Board of Selectmen.

Wayne Cooke stated that he sent two letters to the Board requesting consideration for placement on the town's Clean Energy Ad Hoc Committee and the Coastal Vulnerability Ad Hoc Working Group.

Other – Wayne Cooke screen shared several slides concerning the Community Center, Parkside Village, Atlantic Wharf, Medlyn Farm Flooding, IW Peer Review, Diana Ross, Town IW Investigation.

Motion made by Selectwoman Higgins to adjourn the meeting at 6:35 p.m. Seconded by Selectman Dunbar. Vote unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Trista Milici Clerk