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Minutes of Selectmen's Meeting November 1, 2023 Fire Headquarters - 5:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. Present were First Selectman James B. Cosgrove, Second Selectwoman Angela M. Higgins and Third Selectman Raymond Dunbar. Also present were Paula Jensen, Assessor; Jonathan Loffredo and Carolyn Sires, RTM Member.

Motion made by Selectman Dunbar to approve the minutes of October 18, 2023. Seconded by Selectwoman Higgins. Vote unanimous.

Executive Session – Tax Appeals - none

For the record some of the items on the agenda were discussed out of order.

First Selectman Cosgrove presented a Certificate of Achievement to Jonathan Loffredo in recognition of his achieving the rank of Eagle Scout.

Motion made by Selectman Dunbar to approve a shellfish lease agreement between the Town of Branford and Donald King. Seconded by Selectwoman Higgins. Vote unanimous.

For the record item #6 was not a request for a bid waiver, the RFP was advertised and there were two respondents. Pursuant to Section 75-3B of the Code of the Town of Branford the Board of Selectmen will accept and award the contract to Vision Government Solutions as it was determined to be in the best interest of the town. Motion made by Selectman Dunbar to award the contract to Vision Government Solutions. Seconded by Selectwoman Higgins. Vote unanimous.

Motion made by Selectwoman Higgins to authorize James B. Cosgrove, First Selectman of the Town of Branford as the Designated Official to sign and submit the Master Municipal Agreement for Construction Projects Agreement between the State of Connecticut Department of Transportation and the Town of Branford sign and all Project Authorization Letters (PAL's) on behalf of the Town of Branford. Seconded by Selectman Dunbar. Vote unanimous.

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Green Use:

Motion made by Selectman Dunbar to approve a request Safe Insurance, LLC and Total Mortgage for use of the Town Green on November 19, 2023 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. to hold a Turkey Drive to benefit the Branford Food Pantry. Seconded by Selectwoman Higgins. Vote unanimous.

Motion made by Selectman Dunbar to approve a request from The Compassionate Friends for use of the Town Green on Sunday, December 10, 2023 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. to hold candle lighting to support families who have lost children. Seconded by Selectwoman Higgins. Vote unanimous.

Motion made by Selectman Dunbar to approve a request from the Friends of the James Blackstone Memorial Library for use of the Town Green from September 19 through September 22, 2024 to hold the Annual Book Sale. Seconded by Selectwoman Higgins. Vote unanimous.

Motion made by Selectman Dunbar to approve a request from Trinity Episcopal Church for use of the Town Green on September 20 and 21, 2024 from 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. to hold the Trinity Church Fair. Seconded by Selectwoman Higgins. Vote unanimous.

Motion made by Selectman Dunbar to approve a revised application from the Stony Creek Association for use of Bay View Park on Sundays from June 2024 through October 2024 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. to hold Farmer's Markets. (This was previously approved by the BOS on August 16 for use of Madeira Park). Seconded by Selectwoman Higgins. Vote unanimous.

Appointments – none

Correspondence – none

Other – none

Item #3 - Executive Session – Town of Branford v. Erin Gianni, as Trustee of the Malarney Family Trust, et al. will be added to the next Board of Selectmen's agenda.

Motion made by Selectman Dunbar to adjourn the meeting at 5:15 p.m. Seconded by Selectwoman Higgins. Vote unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,
Trista Milici, Clerk