BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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Minutes of Special Selectmen's Meeting December 14, 2022 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 Fire Chief Thomas Mahoney; Fire Commissioners Jack Ahern and Robert Massey; Perry Maresca, Economic Development Coordinator; RTM Members Frank Twohill and Carolyn Sires as well as 15 residents.

Motion made by Selectwoman Higgins to approve a request from Fire Chief Thomas Mahoney to waive the bid process for the completion of the second floor walls and kitchen installation at Indian Neck Fire Station 9 and award the contract to Total Construction Services of Branford in the amount of \$18,720. Seconded by Selectman Dunbar. Vote unanimous.

Motion made by Selectman Dunbar to approve a request from Fire Chief Thomas Mahoney to waive the bid process for the installation of stone veneer to the outside walls of the Indian Neck Fire Station 9 and award the contract to Riccio Construction, Inc. of Branford in the amount of \$15,400. Seconded by Selectwoman Higgins. Vote unanimous.

Motion made by Selectwoman Higgins to approve a request from Fire Chief Thomas Mahoney to donate the old ambulance (VIN# 1GD675CG3E1181250) to the East Shore Health District and accept the previously donated ambulance (VIN# 1FDWF3GRXAEA72225) back to send to public auction. Seconded by Selectman Dunbar. Vote unanimous.

Discussion took place concerning a petition received regarding large music events at the Stony Creek Brewery. Several residents addressed the board to express their concern with the noise that is generated during large concert events. In addition, complaints were received about the outdoor speakers remaining on even when noone is outside. A meeting has been requested by the residents with the business owner to discuss their concerns. The First Selectman stated that we need to look at the current noise ordinance concerning its enforceability.

Reappointments:

Parker Memorial Park - Matthew Radulski term to expire December 31, 2027. Motion made by Selectman Dunbar to approve the reappointment. Seconded by Selectwoman Higgins. Vote unanimous.

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Appointments:

Human Services Board - James Integlia to fill a vacancy left by Elizabeth Hass term to expire December 31, 2025. Motion made by Selectman Dunbar to approve the appointment. Seconded by Selectwoman Higgins. Vote unanimous.

Green Use:

Motion made by Selectman Dunbar to approve a request from the Branford Community Gardens for use of the Town Green on Saturday, May 20 and Saturday, September 9, 2023 to hold a produce and plant sale from 7:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Seconded by Selectwoman Higgins. Vote unanimous.

Motion made by Selectman Dunbar to approve a request from the Society of Nepalese in America for use of the Town Green on Saturday, July 15, 2023 to hold a Parade, Nepalese Art, Music and Culture Show from 9:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. 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 14, 2023 through September 17, 2023 to hold the Annual Book Sale. Seconded by Selectwoman Higgins. Vote unanimous.

Motion made by Selectman Dunbar to approve a request from Wreaths Across America to hold Smart Fest on Friday, September 29 and Saturday 30, 2023. Seconded by Selectwoman Higgins. Vote unanimous.

Correspondence

First Selectman Cosgrove read a letter from the Solid Waste Management Commission concerning request for proposals for the collection of trash and recyclable materials and the possible changes to the current material handling processes.

Motion made by Selectwoman Higgins to adjourn the meeting at 6:02 p.m. Seconded by Selectman Dunbar. Vote unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Fista Milici, Clerk