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JOSEPH E. HIGGINS, JR.
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MINUTES OF SPECIAL SELECTMEN'S MEETING

April 4, 2018

Fire Headquarters - 6:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 6:13 p.m. Present were First Selectman James B. Cosgrove; Second Selectman Joseph E. Higgins, Jr. and Third Selectman John J. Ahern. Also present were Mr. and Mrs. Troidle; Harrison Troidle; Michael Pascucilla, Director East Shore District Health Department; Ray Ingraham, RTM member: Ben Goetsch; Michael Perricone; Diane Stricker and 5 others.

Motion made by Selectman Higgins to approve the minutes from February 21, 2018 and March 28, 2018 (special meeting). Seconded by Selectman Ahern. Vote unanimous.

The Board presented a Certificate of Achievement to Harrison Troidle in recognition of obtaining the rank of Eagle Scout.

Motion made by Selectman Ahern to add a request from the Canoe Brook Senior Center to allow the serving of beer and wine at two separate events to the agenda. Seconded by Selectman Higgins. Vote unanimous.

First Selectman Cosgrove acknowledged the receipt of a petition from Ted Zuse, Carolyn Sires and Michael Perricone concerning the Housing Authority and actions of some of the board members. A copy of the petition was given to each Selectman without the attachments. First Selectman Cosgrove noted that the attachments will be provided. No action was taken on this item at this time.

Motion made by Selectman Ahern to approve the following proclamation:

**Arbor Day
April 27, 2018**

WHEREAS, In 1872, J. Sterling Morton proposed to the Nebraska Board of Agriculture that a special day be set aside for the planting of trees, and;

WHEREAS, this holiday, called Arbor Day, was first observed with the planting of more than a million trees in Nebraska, and;

WHEREAS, Arbor Day is now observed throughout the nations and the world, and;

WHEREAS, trees can reduce the erosion of our precious topsoil by wind and water, cut heating and cooling costs, moderate the temperature, clean the air, produce life-giving oxygen, and provide habitat for wildlife, and;

WHEREAS, trees are a renewable resource giving us paper, wood for our homes, fuel for our fires and countless other wood products, and;

WHEREAS, trees in our city increase property values, enhance the economic vitality of business areas, and beautify our community, and;

WHEREAS, trees, wherever they are planted, are a source of joy and spiritual renewal.

Now, therefore, We, the Board of Selectmen, of the Town of Branford, do hereby proclaim April 27, 2018 as Arbor Day in the Town of Branford and urge all citizens to plant trees to gladden the heart and promote the well-being of this and future generations.

Seconded by Selectman Higgins. Vote unanimous.

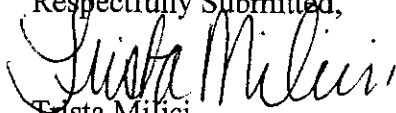
Motion made by Selectman Ahern to approve a request from Michael Pascucilla, Director, East Shore District Health Department to waive the requirement for bidding pursuant to section 73-2 of the Code of the Town of Branford and authorize the sale of the pump out boat trailer to Shrink the Boat, LLC in the amount of \$1.00. Seconded by Selectman Higgins. Vote unanimous.

Motion made by Selectman Ahern to approve a request from Nancy Cohen, Activities Director, Canoe Brook Senior Center for an exemption as permitted by Section 115-4 of the Code of the Town of Branford regarding the consumption of alcoholic beverages in a public area and allow the serving of beer and wine at the Hawaiian Luau Dinner Party scheduled for April 18, 2018 and the Summer Breeze Dinner Party scheduled for June 20, 2018. Seconded by Selectman Higgins. Vote unanimous.

Correspondence - none

Motion made by Selectman Ahern to adjourn the meeting at 6:25 p.m. Seconded by Selectman Higgins. Vote unanimous.

Respectfully Submitted,


Trista Milici
Clerk