# BOARD OF SELECTMEN

BRANFORD, CONNECTICUT

JAMES B. COSGROVE First Selectman

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# MINUTES OF SPECIAL SELECTMEN'S MEETING November 28, 2018

Fire Headquarters - 6:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m. Present were First Selectman James B. Cosgrove; Second Selectman Joseph E. Higgins, Jr. and Third Selectman John J. Ahern. Also present were Attorney James Perito; Alex Palluzzi, Director, Parks and Recreation; Otto Berger, Lead Tradesman; Dan Gregory, Superintendent, WPCF; Gary Zielinski, Supervisor, Department of Public Works; and Angie Higgins.

Motion made by Selectman Ahern to enter into executive session at 6:00 to discuss pending tax appeals. First Selectman Cosgrove invited Attorney James Perito to attend the executive session. Seconded by Selectman Higgins. Vote unanimous.

Present in executive session were First Selectman James B. Cosgrove; Second Selectman Joseph E. Higgins, Jr.; Third Selectman John J. Ahern and Attorney James Perito.

Motion made by Selectman Ahern to return to regular session at 6:10 p.m. Seconded by Selectman Higgins. Vote unanimous.

For the record no votes were taken while in executive session.

Motion made by Selectman Higgins to approve proposed settlements in the Baker v. Town of Branford – 14 and 19 Spring Road pending tax appeals. Seconded by Selectman Ahern. Vote unanimous.

Motion made by Selectman Ahern to approve proposed settlement in the Addeo. LLC v. Town of Branford – Open Space Subdivision – Gould Lane pending tax appeal. Seconded by Selectman Higgins. Vote unanimous.

Motion made by Selectman Ahern to approve a request from Otto Berger, Lead Tradesman to waive the informality in the bids received and award the contract to Vogel Class Co. LLC in the amount of \$36,025.00. Seconded by Selectman Higgins. Vote unanimous.

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Motion made by Selectman Ahern to approve a request from Dan Gregory, Superintendent, WWTP to waive the bid for the purchase and installation of a new fire alarm system at the Wastewater Treatment Plant and award the contract to Fire Protection Team in the amount of \$41,933. Seconded by Selectman Higgins. Vote unanimous.

Motion made by Selectman Ahern to approve a request from Gary Zielinski, Supervisor, Department of Public Works to waive the bid for the purchase of straight salt and award the contract to Morton Salt in the amount of \$62.50 per ton for FY 19. Seconded by Selectman Higgins. Vote unanimous.

## Reappointments:

Board of Finance

Jeffrey Vailette term to expire July 31, 2021. Motion made by Selectman Ahern to approve the reappointment. Seconded by Selectman Higgins. Vote unanimous.

### Board of Recreation

Helen Herget term to expire October 9, 2023. Motion made by Selectman Ahern to approve the reappointment. Seconded by Selectman Higgins. Vote unanimous.

### Conservation/Environmental Commission

Karen Hannon and Carol Kaminsky terms to expire July 31, 2022. Motion made by Selectman Higgins to approve the reappointments. Seconded by Selectman Ahern. Vote unanimous.

### Daniel Cosgrove Animal Shelter

Eunice Lasala and Melodie Lane O'Connor terms to expire September 30, 2022. Motion made by Selectman Higgins to approve the reappointments. Seconded by Selectman Ahern. Vote unanimous.

## Planning and Zoning Commission

Joseph Chadwick term to expire October 31, 2023. Motion made by Selectman Ahern to approve the reappointments. Seconded by Selectman Higgins. Vote unanimous.

# Solid Waste Management Commission

Joseph Rollo and Robin Lasky terms to expire September 30, 2023. Motion made by Selectman Ahern to approve the reappointments. Seconded by Selectman Higgins. Vote unanimous.

### Veteran Parade Committee

Vincent Giordano, William T. O'Brien, Ray Ingraham, Dennis Flanigan, Dana Strickland, Elliott Hastings, Juris Patrylak, Philip Zielinski and Richard Dunn terms to expire September 30, 2023. Motion made by Selectman Ahern to approve the reappointments. Seconded by Selectman Higgins. Vote unanimous.

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## Willoughby Wallace Memorial Library

John Nelson term to expire December 31, 2023. Motion made by Selectman Ahern to approve the reappointment. Seconded by Selectman Higgins. Vote unanimous.

# Zoning Board of Appeals

Brad Crerar as a full member term to expire October 31, 2022. Motion made by Selectman Higgins to approve the reappointment. Seconded by Selectman Ahern. Vote unanimous. Peter Berdon as a full member term to expire October 31, 2022. Motion made by Selectman Higgins to approve the reappointment. Seconded by Selectman Ahern. Vote unanimous. Donald Schilder as an alternate term to expire October 31, 2023. Motion made by Selectman Ahern to approve the reappointment. Seconded by Selectman Higgins. Vote unanimous. Anthony Beccia as an alternate term to expire October 31, 2023. Motion made by Selectman Ahern to approve the reappointment. Seconded by Selectman Higgins. Vote unanimous.

## Appointments:

## Conservation/Environmental Commission

Adrian Bonenberger to fill a vacancy term to expire July 31, 2020. Motion made by Selectman Ahern to approve the appointment. Seconded by Selectman Higgins. Vote unanimous.

### **Housing Authority**

David D'Amelio as a tenant commissioner to fill a vacancy left by Christine Buono. Motion made by Selectman Ahern to approve the appointment. Seconded by Selectman Higgins. Vote unanimous.

### Shellfish Commission

Robert Lillquist to fill a vacancy left by Richard Stoecker term to expire August 31, 2022. Motion made by Selectman Ahern to approve the appointment. Seconded by Selectman Higgins. Vote unanimous.

Motion made by Selectman Ahern to approve the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That the policies of the Town of Branford comply with the nondiscrimination agreements and warranties of Connecticut General Statutes §§4a-60(a)(1) and 4a-60a(a)(1), as amended.

Seconded by Selectman Higgins. Vote unanimous.

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Motion made by Selectman Ahern to approve the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that the Town of Branford may enter into with and deliver to the State of Connecticut Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection, Division of Emergency Management and Homeland Security any and all documents which it deems to be necessary or appropriate, and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that James B. Cosgrove, First Selectman of the Town of Branford, is authorized and directed to execute and deliver any and all documents on behalf of the Town of Branford and to do and perform all acts and things which he deems to be necessary or appropriate to carry out the terms of such documents, including, but not limited to, executing and delivering all agreements and documents contemplated by such documents.

Seconded by Selectman Higgins. Vote unanimous.

#### Green Use:

Motion made by Selectman Ahern to approve a request from Chabad-Lubavich of the Shoreline for use of the Town Green from November 28 thru December 12, 2018 for the placement of a Menorah. Seconded by Selectman Higgins. Vote unanimous.

Motion made by Selectman Ahern to approve a request from the Branford Parks and Recreation Department for use of the Town Green on Saturday, January 4, 2019 (raindate January 5, 2018) to hold "Branford First Night" beginning at 6:00 p.m. Seconded by Selectman Higgins. Vote unanimous.

Motion made by Selectman Ahern to approve the 2019 Board of Selectman's meeting schedule. Seconded by Selectman Higgins. Vote unanimous.

The board acknowledged receipt of the Draft Plan of Conservation and Development.

Motion made by Selectman Higgins to adjourn the meeting at 6:27 p.m. Seconded by Selectman Ahern. Vote unanimous,

Respectfully Submitted,

Trista Milici

Clerk