



TOWN OF MIDDLEBURY

Office of the Selectmen

MINUTES
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Monday, September 19, 2016 – 6:00 p.m.
Town Hall Conference Room

Present: Edward B. St. John, First Selectman
Elaine M. Strobel, Selectman
Michael J. McCormack, Selectman

Also Present: Attorney Robert Smith
Barbara Whitaker, Recording Clerk
Middlebury Flood Association Members
Marj Needham, Reporter – Bee Intelligencer
Linda Zukauskas, Reporter – Voices
Bill Bittar, Reporter – Republican American

Call to Order With Pledge of Allegiance

The meeting was called to order by the First Selectman with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of September 6, 2016 Meeting Minutes

Selectman Strobel MOTIONED to approve the minutes of the September 6, 2016 meeting, SECONDED by Selectman McCormack. Unanimous approval.

Tax Rebates

Nissan Infinit, LT, Dallas, TX	\$106.32
John and Mary DiCorpo, Middlebury, CT	\$8.96
Financial Service Vehicle Trust, Hillard, OH	\$54.45
Marissa L. Jacovich, Middlebury, CT	\$4.99
J. P. Morgan Bank, N.A., Ft. Worth, TX	\$459.38

First Selectman St. John MOTIONED that the above-mentioned tax rebates take their normal course, SECONDED by Selectman Strobel. Unanimous approval.

Resignation

First Selectman St. John MOTIONED to accept the resignation of Ken Heidkamp as a member of the Board of Police Commissioners and as an alternate member of the Board of Finance, SECONDED by Selectman Strobel. Unanimous approval.

The First Selectman added that Mr. Heidkamp always answered the call, and had been actively involved as a volunteer to the Town for over forty years and that he done a great job for the Town.

Recommendations

First Selectman St. John MOTIONED to appoint Keli-Ann Bollard (R), 170 Curtis Road as Board of Finance Alternate member for a term from September 19, 2016 through July 16, 2018, SECONDED by Selectman Strobel. Unanimous approval.

First Selectman St. John MOTIONED to appoint Thomas King (R), 111 Strathmore Road as a member of the Board of Police Commissioners for a term from September 19, 2016 through December 4, 2017, SECONDED by Selectman McCormack. Unanimous approval.

Reappointments

First Selectman St. John MOTIONED to reappoint Joseph P. Mancini, (R), 34 Woodland Road as a member of the Beautification Committee for a term from September 4, 2016 through September 4, 2020; SECONDED by Selectman Strobel. Unanimous approval.

First Selectman St. John MOTIONED to reappoint Kristin E. Jacobi (R), 358 Tranquility Road as a member of the Land Preservation and Open Space Acquisition Committee for a term from September 20, 2016 through September 20, 2017; SECONDED by Selectman Strobel. Unanimous approval.

Discussion and Consideration

Flood Plain Proposals

Packets containing the three proposals received from Lenard Engineering, Tata & Howard and Kratzert, Jones & Associates were distributed to attending members of the Middlebury Flood Watch Association. The First Selectman advised that close attention should be given to the detail of what is provided in professional services. The First Selectman stated that the Board of Selectmen will get together in a work session before their next regularly scheduled meeting. The First Selectman asked that the Middlebury Flood Watch Association give their comments on the proposals at that time and said he would alert the Board of Finance that this issue and the proposals would be discussed. The First Selectman is looking for a resolve for the next Board of Selectmen's meeting. He reminded Association members that the low numbers are not always the most conclusive proposals.

First Selectman St. John cautioned Association members that if a change is made in the mapping, there is no guarantee that the banks will forgive the additional flood fees the residents are paying now. He is hoping for a favorable study that says the residents would not be impacted; however, the banks may still insist that you have to have flood insurance.

The First Selectman suggested that this workshop meeting take place on Monday, October 3, 2016 at 5:30 p.m. right before the next Board of Selectmen meeting at 6:00 p.m. that same evening.

Selectman McCormack suggested that since Greg Cyr is an Engineer, he and the members of the Middlebury Flood Watch Association attend the meeting at 5:30 p.m. The First Selectman said he made this request earlier in the discussion.

Chief of Police Contract

The First Selectman said that this contract it is the same contract that Chief Viadero had. Attorney Smith explained that because he is management, the Chief cannot take on any special duty; he can work overtime events, and when he runs out of officers in Town he is entitled to work the overtime. The town will bill the amusement organizer. That is the one difference in the contract that the Chief cannot work special duty.

First Selectman St. John MOTIONED to approve the employment contract of Chief Dabbo, SECONDED by Selectman McCormack. Unanimous approval.

Adjournment

First Selectman St. John MOTIONED to ADJOURN the meeting, SECONDED by Selectman Strobel. Unanimous approval.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara J. Whitaker

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