



TOWN OF MIDDLEBURY

Office of the Selectmen

MINUTES
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Tuesday, January 17, 2017 – 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
Attorney Dana D'Angelo
Attorney Gail McTaggart
Attorney Bill O'Sullivan (via conference call)
Barbara J. Whitaker, Recording Clerk
Linda Zukauskas, Reporter - Voices

Call to Order with Pledge of Allegiance

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

Approval of January 3, 2017 Meeting Minutes

First SCorrection of 4:00 p.m.,

First Selectman MOTIONED to approve the January 3, 2017 meeting minutes, SECONDED by Selectman Strobel with the correction of the time of the meeting being 4:00 p.m. and the venue being the Town Hall Conference Room; SECONDED by Selectman Strobel. Unanimous approval.

Tax Rebates

Cathy A. Yanik, Middlebury, CT	\$1,093.08
BMPS, LLC, Middlebury, CT	\$281.67
BMPS, LLC, Middlebury, CT	\$416.37
BMPS, LLC, Middlebury, CT	\$149.47
BMPS, LLC, Middlebury, CT	\$99.70
BMPS, LLC, Middlebury, CT	\$199.40
BMPS, LLC, Middlebury, CT	\$217.69
BMPS, LLC, Middlebury, CT	\$153.49
BMPS, LLC, Middlebury, CT	\$90.15
BMPS, LLC, Middlebury, CT	\$180.36
BMPS, LLC, Middlebury, CT	\$216.76
BMPS, LLC, Middlebury, CT	\$149.47
BMPS, LLC, Middlebury, CT	\$90.15
BMPS, LLC, Middlebury, CT	\$293.05
BMPS, LLC, Middlebury, CT	\$246.38
BMPS, LLC, Middlebury, CT	\$79.75

First Selectman MOTIONED to approve the above-mentioned tax rebates, SECONDED by Selectman Strobel. Unanimous approval.

Resignations

First Selectman St. John MOTIONED to accept the resignations of Ann Merriam Feinberg (D) as a member of the Board of Finance and Kelli-Ann Perrotti (D) as a member of the Parks & Recreation Commission, SECONDED by Selectman McCormack. Unanimous approval.

Recommendation for Appointment

First Selectman St. John MOTIONED to appoint Paul Bowler (R) as a member of the Conservation Commission, SECONDED by Selectman Strobel. Unanimous approval.

Reappointments

First Selectman St. John MOTIONED to reappoint Anthony M. Bruno, 106 Steinmann Avenue as Open Burning Official, SECONDED by Selectman Strobel. Unanimous approval.

First Selectman St. John MOTIONED to reappoint Brett T. Kales, 159 Joy Road as Open Burning Official, SECONDED by Selectman McCormack. Unanimous approval.

First Selectman MOTIONED to reappoint Peter Trincherro (R), as an alternate member of the Board of Finance for a term from January 7, 2017 through January 7, 2019 SECONDED by Selectman McCormack. Unanimous approval.

First Selectman MOTIONED to reappoint Noa Silberberg Miller (D), as a member of the Commission on Aging for a term from January 6, 2017 through January 6, 2019 SECONDED by Selectman McCormack. Unanimous approval.

First Selectman MOTIONED to TABLE the appointment of Francis L. Barton, SECONDED by Selectman McCormack. Unanimous approval.

Discussion and Consideration

Friends of the Middlebury Dog Park Letter

The First Selectman explained that at a meeting a year ago there was discussion on setting up a trust fund for the maintenance of a fence. The First Selectman added that surrounding towns have been opening dog parks; and at that time, the board explained that we aren't in a position to maintain another new park and we are still in the same position today. We cannot take more on our plate; we are struggling to maintain what we already own. The First Selectman said that the group can come to a meeting. Selectman McCormack said that we shouldn't give people false hopes, and that the Town was generous in giving them (Friends of the Middlebury Dog Park) four to five acres to use as a dog park. Selectman McCormack is against the Town offering any labor or monetary donation towards the structure of the park. The First Selectman said that he will notify the members that the Board of Selectmen is in agreement that they are not able to take on any new projects at this time.

Selectman McCormack asked if he could give names for appointments for vacancies on various boards and commissions at this time. The First Selectman said he preferred that they are given at the next meeting.

Executive Session

At this time, First Selectman St. John MOTIONED to go into Executive Session for a discussion on legal matters, SECONDED by Selectman Strobel; Attorney D'Angelo, Attorney Smith and Attorney McTaggart were invited to sit in. Attorney O'Sullivan would join the conversation via conference call. Unanimous approval.

The Board came out of Executive Session and no votes were taken.

Adjournment

Selectman Strobel MOTIONED to ADJOURN, SECONDED by Selectman McCormack. Unanimous approval.

These minutes are submitted subject to approval this 19th day of January 2017.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara J. Whitaker

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