



# TOWN OF MIDDLEBURY

## Office of the Selectmen

**MINUTES**  
**MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN**  
**Monday, July 19, 2021 – 4:00 p.m.**  
**HELD CONCURRENTLY WITH ZOOM**

**Present:** Edward B. St. John, First Selectman      **Also** Attorney Robert Smith  
Elaine M. Strobel, Selectman                      **Present:** Barbara J. Whitaker, Recording Clerk  
Ralph J Barra, Selectman                              Marj Needham, Reporter – Middlebury Bee

### Call to Order with Pledge of Allegiance

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by the First Selectman with the Pledge of Allegiance.

### Approval of July 7, 2021 Meeting Minutes

First Selectman St. John MOTIONED to approve the above-mentioned minutes with the change listed below; SECONDED by Selectman Strobel. Unanimous approval.

*He added that the WPCA will contribute \$275,000 to the project; and that the project will cost about \$8m.*

Should read: *He added that the WPCA will contribute \$275,000 to the project; and that the project will cost about \$800,000.00.*

### Tax Rebates

Lenore Bruno, Middlebury, CT	\$88.49
Jeffrey L. Kenausis, Middlebury, CT	\$178.66
Elizabeth Swartz, Middlebury, CT	\$29.14
Matthew Balnis, Middlebury, CT	\$22.99
Gail & Jeffrey Banwell, Middlebury, CT	\$56.00
Henry M. Bernardi, Middlebury, CT	\$17.83
Anna L. Demsky, Middlebury, CT	\$14.98
Ronald C. Monticone, Jr., Middlebury, CT	\$264.48
Caroline B. Obar, Inlet, NY	\$83.18
Brendan J. Quinn, Middlebury, CT	\$91.05
Vincent A. & Elena R. Viega, Middlebury, CT	\$54.86
Michael C. vonKanneurff, Middlebury, CT	\$33.68

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

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TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE  
MIDDLEBURY, CT

MaryBeth Lumbard, Clerk  
TOWN CLERK

**Resignation**

William J. Stowell as a member of the Board of Trustees  
First Selectman St. John MOTIONED to accept the resignation of William J. Stowell as a member of the Board of Trustees; SECONDED by Selectman Strobel. Unanimous approval.

**Discussion and Consideration**

**Listing of Town property between Ledgewood Park & Four Corners**

At this time Terry McAuliffe, Chairman of the Economic Development Commission stated that the Economic Development Commission is asking the Board of Selectmen to pursue the possible sale of town owned land between Ledgewood Park and Four Corners Grocery Store as discussed at the Commission's November 24, 2020, January 26 and June 22, 2021 meetings.

Mr. McAuliffe added that the Commission felt this would be of benefit to the town because it would make non-taxable property taxable, provide increased shopping, it is consistent with the Plan of Conservation & Development, it is in the commercial zone, provides additional parking for shoppers and does not impact the area residential neighborhoods.

The First Selectman stated that the property was purchased from Norman Drubner sometime in the 1970's and he did not know if there were any restrictions on what could be done with the land. Additionally, the First Selectman said that the land was a part of Ledgewood Park, and research needed to be done to see if this portion could be sold. The First Selectman suggested that the Town Engineer look at the property lines because the property was set up to be a park.

Mr. St. John added that when town land is sold, there are concessions that have to be made in advance by the purchaser that include the plans for what they will do and build on the land. He added that a definitive proposal has to be submitted before any sale takes place.

Selectman Barra asked Mr. McAuliffe how this idea came about? Mr. McAuliffe said that he approached Joe DiNova to ask him if he would be interested in purchasing the property if it were for sale.

**Adjournment**

First Selectman St. John MOTIONED to ADJOURN the meeting at 4:28 p.m., SECONDED by Selectman Strobel. Unanimous approval.

These minutes are submitted subject to approval this 21<sup>st</sup> day of July, 2021.

Respectfully submitted,

*Barbara J. Whitaker*

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Recording Clerk