

SUBJECT TO APPROVAL

MEETING DATE: TUESDAY, APRIL 12, 2022
8:00 A.M.

MEETING PLACE: VIRTUAL MEETING:
ZOOM ONLINE MEETING

BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING
MINUTES

8:00 a.m. Regular Session

First Selectwoman Lyons called the Regular Session of Tuesday, April 12, 2022 to order at 8:01 a.m. Also in attendance were Selectman Goldberg, Selectwoman Kokoruda, and Selectman Wilson.

1. Pledge of Allegiance.
First Selectwoman Lyons led the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Approval of minutes – March 28, 2022 / April 5, 2022 Special Meeting
3. **MOVED** by Selectwoman Kokoruda and seconded by Selectman Goldberg to approve Minutes of the March 28, 2022 and April 5, 2022 Special Meeting

VOTE: this motion was approved unanimously.

4. First Selectwoman's Updates.

First Selectwoman Lyons stated that she attended a meeting regarding Deer Lake and the community efforts to help raise funds to preserve the property. Also the closing for the Island Avenue School has been extended into May.

5. Liaison Reports / Selectmen Comments.

Noreen Kokoruda	Planning & Zoning, Senior Tax Freeze Ordinance
Bruce Wilson	Appointive Board Interviews
Al Goldberg	ARP Funding

6. Citizen Comments.

Linda Marino of Middle Beach Road stated that she noticed the issue regarding short-term rentals is in the Agenda. She and her neighbors would like to thank the Board for discussing this item as it directly impacts residents. The issue was first raised in 2019 and nothing has been done, but short-term rentals have become more prevalent. She and her neighbors request that there is an Ordinance banning the short-term rental of houses for periods less than 30 days.

Ted Langevin of Robin Ridge Drive provided an overview of the bankruptcy of Boy Scouts of America and how the Connecticut Yankee Council has moved forward to pay

their apportionment including now with the sale of Deer Lake. Mr. Langevin provided an account of how the property could be purchased by, Pathfinder, an organization that would maintain the property versus develop the property for other use. He stated that he was asking for the community's help to preserve the property.

6. Presentation from the Witness Stones Project and details for upcoming Witness Stone marker installation.

Elizabeth Lightfoot from the Country School introduced the 8th Graders who are working with the Witness Stones Project. The students provided an overview of how this project originated and the prior witness stones which were installed in front of the Congregational Church. This year's project sheds light on the life of Theophilus Niger, who was enslaved by a family who lived near the Horse Pond.

The marker will say:

Theophilus Niger
Enslaved here
Married to Penelope Tantipen
Father, neighbor
Farmer, land owner
Emancipated ca. 1760
Died ca. 1771, leaving a legacy

7. Discuss and take action to approve a Proclamation for Green-up, Clean-up Day, April 30, 2022.

First Selectwoman Lyons read aloud a Proclamation for Green-up, Clean-Up Day.

MOVED by Selectman Goldberg and seconded by Selectman Wilson to approve a Proclamation for Green-up, Clean-up Day, April 30, 2022.

VOTE: this motion was approved unanimously.

8. Discuss and take action to approve calling a Public Hearing on May 23, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. in Town Campus Room A and on Zoom to hear comment on the Draft Affordable Housing Plan.

Town Planner Erin Mannix provided an overview of the Committee process and the need to submit a plan on behalf of the Town of Madison to the state by June 1, 2022. The draft plan will be on the website this week in order to allow for a 35-day public comment period.

MOVED by Selectman Wilson and seconded by Selectman Goldberg to approve calling a Public Hearing on May 23, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. in Town Campus Room A and on Zoom to hear comment on the Draft Affordable Housing Plan.

VOTE: this motion was approved unanimously.

9. Discuss and take action to approve a Line Item Transfer requests from the Youth & Family Services Department in the amounts of \$2,500 and \$940.00.

MOVED by Selectman Wilson and seconded by Selectman Goldberg to approve a Line Item Transfer requests from the Youth & Family Services Department in the amounts of \$2,500 and \$940.00.

VOTE: this motion was approved unanimously.

10. Discuss and take action to approve Special Appropriation requests as follows:
- From the Emergency Management Department in the amount of \$16,721.92 to fund expenses due to Hurricane Henri; pending Board of Finance Approval.
 - From the Selectman's Office in the amount of \$75,000 to fund the Legal Services account; pending Board of Finance and Town Meeting approval.
 - As reviewed in the Budget process, from the First Selectwoman in the amount of \$29,147 for the purchase of electronic speed signs as requested in the 2022/23 budget request; pending Board of Finance and Town Meeting approval.
 - As reviewed in the Budget process, from the First Selectwoman in the amount of \$290,000 into the major roads account to fund road paving; pending Board of Finance and Town Meeting approval.

MOVED by Selectwoman Kokoruda and seconded by Selectman Wilson to approve the above Special Appropriations.

VOTE: this motion was approved unanimously.

11. Discuss and take action to approve calling a Town Meeting to approve the following:
- A Special Appropriation in the amount of \$75,000 to fund the Legal Services account; pending Board of Finance approval.
 - A Special Appropriation in the amount of \$29,147 for the purchase of electronic speed signs as requested in the 2022/23 budget request; pending Board of Finance approval.
 - A Special Appropriation in the amount of \$290,000 into the major roads account to fund road paving; pending Board of Finance approval.

MOVED by Selectman Wilson and seconded by Selectwoman Kokoruda to approve calling a Town Meeting on May 23, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. to approve the above Special Appropriations.

VOTE: this motion was approved unanimously.

12. Discuss and take action to approve awarding the RFP/RFQ for Owner's Representative Services for the New Pre-K to 5 Elementary School, the Brown Intermediate School Alterations and the Polson Middle School Renovations project to Colliers International; and to allow the First Selectwoman to negotiate and sign a contract in accordance with the RFP/RFQ.

Facilities Director Bill McMinn provided an overview of the process to-date.

MOVED by Selectman Goldberg and seconded by Selectman Wilson to approve awarding the RFP/RFQ for Owner's Representative Services for the New Pre-K to 5 Elementary School, the Brown Intermediate School Alterations and the Polson Middle School Renovations project to Colliers International; and to allow the First Selectwoman to negotiate and sign a contract in accordance with the RFP/RFQ.

VOTE: this motion was approved unanimously.

13. Discuss and take action to approve awarding the RFP for Architectural and Engineering Services for the Brown Intermediate School Alterations project.

MOVED by Selectman Goldberg and seconded by Selectman Wilson to approve awarding the RFP for Architectural and Engineering Services for the Brown Intermediate School Alterations project to Tecton Architectural.

VOTE: this motion was approved unanimously.

14. Discuss timeline for review of short-term rental policy options.

Town Planner Erin Mannix stated that she will be providing the Board with additional information to determine if there are issues with Short-term rentals currently; and if these potential issues warrant regulation. Additionally she will be reviewing how other Towns regulate their short-term rentals. The Board reviewed a timeline to move the plan forward and asked Ms. Mannix to bring her executive summary to the Board at their May 10th meeting.

15. Appointments / Resignations:

David Wilkins to the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee for a term to expire January 1, 2024.

MOVED by Selectwoman Kokoruda and seconded by Selectman Wilson to approve the appointment of David Wilkins to the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee for a term to expire January 1, 2024.

VOTE: this motion was approved unanimously.

16. Tax Abatements / Refunds.

MOVED by Selectman Wilson and seconded by Selectman Goldberg to approve Tax Abatements / Refunds in the amount of \$2,457.61.

VOTE: this motion was approved unanimously.

17. Citizens comments.

Linda Marino reiterated her offer to assist in any way to draft regulation or Ordinance.

18. Adjournment.

There being no objection the Board adjourned at 9:18 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lauren Rhines
Town Coordinator / Risk Manager

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