

BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Tuesday, December 17, 2024

In-Person and via Zoom Teleconference

SELECTMEN PRESENT: Scott Storms, Jon Savino and James Cannon

ALSO PRESENT: Interim Finance Director Jason Lathrop, Peggy Sayers, Sherryl Healey, Paul Wrabel, and Members of the Public

ATTENDING REMOTELY: Members of the Public

CALL TO ORDER:

First Selectman Scott Storms called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The Pledge of Allegiance was observed

PUBLIC INPUT:

In Person:

None

Via Zoom:

None

APPROVAL OF December 3, 2024 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES:

Selectman Savino moved to approve the December 3rd Meeting Minutes. Selectman Cannon seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Selectman Storms stated that he received an email relative to the Historic Train Station's original brick fundraiser. He noted that that organization had been dissolved and he will respond to the email.

FINANCE REPORTS AND REQUESTS:

a. Funding Waivers and Approvals

Interim Finance Director Jason Lathrop and Selectman Storms explained the reason for the request for a bid waiver from School Superintendent, Shawn Parkhurst, for the North Street School roof.

Selectman Cannon moved for a purchase waiver for the Town of Windsor Locks for the North Street School roof for \$858,700. Selectman Savino seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

b. Financial Reports

Reports will be presented next month.

OLD BUSINESS:

a. *Building Committee Update:*

Selectman Storms stated that the project is on path to completion, within budget, and on target for July, 2025 completion.

b. *Main Street Update*

Selectman Storms stated that the project is on target and more structural construction is occurring. He provided an update regarding other various projects being worked on on Main Street.

c. *ARPA Update – Public Hearing and Town Meeting 12/19*

Selectman Storms reported that ARPA, the Board of Selectmen and the Board of Finance have approved the requests. The next step is a Public Hearing which is scheduled for 7:00 and a Town Meeting which is scheduled for 7:30 this Thursday, probably to be held in the gym to accommodate more seating.

NEW BUSINESS:

a. *Facilities Use Discussion:*

Selectman Storms stated that he is interested in hearing thoughts and beginning discussions after the New Year on how to proceed with the old Police Department and Senior Center buildings and houses owned by the Town on Chestnut Street, once the new buildings are open.

TAX REFUNDS:

Selectman Cannon moved to approve the prior year in the amount of \$488.28 and the current year refund \$0 for total refunds of \$488.28. Selectman Savino seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried. (Schedule A attached)

APPOINTMENTS, RE-APPOINTMENTS, RESIGNATIONS:

Selectman Storms stated that there are none. He will check with the Town Clerk to check on remaining vacancies.

PUBLIC INPUT:

In Person:

Sherryl Healey, 13 Stevens Street – commented regarding past fundraising activities for the Old Train Station. She also asked whether the Senior Center Committee had proposed ideas for use of the present Senior Center after completion of the new building. Lastly, she inquired whether the Town tree being moved to the end of Church Street was still a viable option.

Peggy Sayers, 477 Denslow Street – stated that the fundraising group for the Historic Train Station did have a 501C3.

Paul Wrabel, 33 Pershing Road – commented on the Church Street intersection on Main Street with the box. Selectman Storms clarified that that is the intersection with Spring Street.

Via Zoom:

None

SELECTMEN'S COMMENTS:

Selectman Savino provided information regarding the American Legion Pancake Breakfast on January 5, 2025. He thanked everyone that was involved in the parade, tree lighting ceremony and Christmas tree contest in Town Hall.

Selectman Cannon echoed Selectman Savino's thanks in addition to thanking the Grand Marshal who lit the tree.

Selectman Storms thanked everyone involved in the Holiday Extravaganza. He also reiterated the Town Hall holiday hours.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:38 p.m. was made by Selectman Cannon. Selectman Savino seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted

Cathy Ziemian

Recording Secretary

