

In attendance: C. Iino, F. Dudek, L. Annino, Jr., Finance Director Regina Regolo

1. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance

The meeting was called to order at 7:04p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion by Iino, second by Dudek, to add 2 items to the agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

- 1. MultiYear Capital Plan as New Business item C.**
- 2. Assign matching grant 9 town transit as new Business Item D**

2. Approval of Minutes

Motion by Dudek, second by Annino, to approve the following minutes: February 23, 2015 written, February 25, 2015 as written, March 4, 2015 as written. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Visitors' Comments: none

4. Tax Abatements and Refunds

Dudek moved to issue a refund for overpayment in the amount of \$12.27 to Robert O. Rojas. Second by Annino. Motion passed unanimously.

5. Appointments: see 7A

6. Old Business

A. Award Emergency Operations Center bid

Iino referred to a letter from EOCBC chair David Gross with recommendations regarding the award of bid.

Motion by Iino, second by Dudek to accept the bid from the Rudolph Netsch Construction Co., Inc. for \$286,320.00 and direct the EOC Building Committee prepare a contract between the Town and Netsch Construction for the construction of a new Emergency Operations Center Building.

Discussion: Dudek reported that committee met with Mr. Netsch, whose references from the state and other municipalities were excellent. Committee hopes to proceed with permitting process and break ground as soon as weather permits.

B. Capital projects review. Ongoing review will continue next meeting.

7. New Business

A. Assessor Appointment

Motion by Iino, second by Annino to appoint Terence G. Dinnean as Assessor for a term beginning April 1, 2015 and ending March 31, 2016. Motion passed unanimously.

B. 2015-2016 Budget

Motion by Iino, seconded by Dudek, to authorize Catherine Iino, to present to the Board of Finance on Tuesday, March 10, 2015, the Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2015/16 in the amount of \$4,949,496 which includes \$510,467 for debt service. Voting in favor – Annino, Dudek, Iino. Opposed – none. Motion carried.

Motion by Iino, seconded by Annino, to authorize Catherine Iino, to present to the Board of Finance on Tuesday, March 10, 2015, the Capital Budget for Fiscal Year 2015/16 in the amount of \$984,700. Voting in favor – Annino, Dudek, Iino. Opposed – none. Motion carried. Discussion: Iino referred to narratives provided to illustrate funding in place via a \$500,000 fund transfer and LOCIP funds.

C. Multi-Year Capital Plan

Motion by lino, seconded by Annino, to authorize Catherine lino, to present to the Board of Finance on Tuesday, March 10, 2015, the Multi-Year Capital Improvement Plan. Voting in favor – Annino, Dudek, lino. Opposed – none. Motion Carried. Discussion: Annino emphasized the need to extend the multi-year plan beyond 10 years based on projected available funds. lino plans to charge the town engineer to help do this, and made this an agenda item for next meeting.

D. Estuary Transit District Municipal Grant

To complete the application process for an annual federal grant, the Estuary Transit District requires 2 letters from the town.

lino moved, with second by Annino, that the Board of Selectmen authorize lino to sign the Grant Assignment Certification and the Maintenance of Effort Certification associated with the State of Connecticut 13b-38bb Elderly and Disabled Demand Responsive Municipal Grant Program through the Estuary Transit District. Motion carried unanimously.

8. First Selectwoman's Comments

A. BOS will meet with the Board of Education on Thursday, March 12th at 7:00 pm at HKMS.

B. A federally funded program addressing Rural Road Horizontal Curve Safety is under way and will provide signage and road markings for particularly dangerous curves in town. lino has asked UCONN for help in assessing eligible roads.

C. BOS provided copy of survey of sliver of land on Parker Hill being considered for sale by town. BOS will review and discuss at next meeting.

9. Selectmen's Comments

A. State Funding: Dudek inquired about resident trooper program and lino reported she has been lobbying for reinstating funding from the State. She has also been working with State Senators Kennedy and Fasano regarding the funding formula for regional dispatch centers. Dudek noted another bill, #6970, which would require towns to regionalize (minimum 3 towns) in order to continue to receive funding for equipment, E911 and the Network and indicated that the state seemed to be working at cross-purposes with regard to regionalization. Dudek also reported that he testified against the removal of state funds for regional fire training academies.

B. Dudek asked lino to follow up on resident concerns on Lower Roast Meat Hill Road. For next meeting lino plans to discuss and clarify the permitting process for street cuts and work along road shoulders.

C. A proposed joint project with Haddam for hauling was briefly discussed.

D. Annino referred to an earlier discussion about using an engineering intern and suggested the town assign one and coordinate work with engineer.

E. Annino suggested we plan to discuss the question of a town property manager immediately after the budget process is completed.

10. Adjournment: **Motion to adjourn by Dudek, second by Annino at 7:41 p.m. Motion carried.**

Respectfully submitted by Elizabeth Doyle Disbrow, Recording Secretary on 3/10/15.