

**Board of Selectmen
Regular Meeting Minutes
February 6, 2020 at 7:30pm
Town Hall Meeting Room**

- 1- **Call to Order:** First Selectman Chris Spaulding called the meeting to order at 7:30pm. Also in attendance were Selectwoman Samantha Nestor, Town Administrator Jonathan Luiz, Weston residents and members of the press. Selectman Stephan Grozinger was not present.
- 2- **Pledge of Allegiance:** Richard Wolf led in the Pledge of Allegiance
- 3- **Discussion/decision to establish a public hearing on February 20, 2020 at 6:30 pm in the Town Hall Meeting Room for the purpose of inviting public comment on proposed amendments to Chapter 179, Article VI, entitled "Tax Relief for the Elderly:"** This item was tabled
- 4- **Discussion/decision to establish a public hearing on February 20, 2020 at 7:00 pm in the Town Hall Meeting Room for the purpose of inviting public comment on: 1) The repeal of Chapter 225 of the Weston Code of Ordinances entitled "Solid Waste and Recycling Regulations;" 2) The repeal of Chapter 164 of the Weston Code of Ordinances entitled "Solid Waste;" and 3) The adoption of a proposed new Chapter 164 of the Weston Code of Ordinances entitled "Solid Waste:"** First Selectman Spaulding said Town Attorney reviewed ordinances and brought them up to date. Mr. Luiz said we will need to publish a summary of the revised ordinances and make them available on the website and in the Town Clerks office. Selectwoman Nestor moved to establish a public hearing on February 20, 2020 at 7:00 pm in the Town Hall Meeting Room for the purpose of inviting public comment on: 1) The repeal of Chapter 225 of the Weston Code of Ordinances entitled "Solid Waste and Recycling Regulations;" 2) The repeal of Chapter 164 of the Weston Code of Ordinances entitled "Solid Waste;" and 3) The adoption of a proposed new Chapter 164 of the Weston Code of Ordinances entitled "Solid Waste." First Selectman Spaulding seconded. Motion carried.
- 5- **Discussion/decision to appoint Kerem Dinlenc to Economic Vitality Committee:** Selectwoman Nestor moved to appoint Kerem Dinlenc to Economic Vitality Committee for a term to end 12/31/21. First Selectman Spaulding seconded. Motion carried.
- 6- **Discussion/decision to appoint Edmond Warchick to the Building Committee:** Selectwoman Nestor moved to appoint Edmond Warchick to the Building Committee for a term to end June 30, 2020. First Selectman Spaulding seconded. Motion carried.
- 7- Selectwoman Nestor moved to add the following item to the agenda: "Discussion/decision to authorize a supplemental appropriation to hire an architect to perform work on the Senior Center" First Selectman Spaulding seconded. Motion carried. Mr. Luiz reviewed the project scope for the senior center revisions to the entrance way. Richard Wolf requested the BOS

approve a supplemental appropriation for this project in order to make the Senior Center ADA compliant. Timing and funding of the project was discussed. Selectwoman Nestor moved to authorize supplemental appropriation of \$5,000 to the FY 19-20 General Admin budget to pay for an architect to design an ADA accessible ramp and entranceway. First Selectman Spaulding seconded. Motion carried.

- 8- **Discussion/decision to appoint Jon Dillon to the Veteran's Committee:** Selectwoman Nestor moved to appoint Jon Dillon to the Veteran's Committee for a term to end 12/31/21. First Selectman Spaulding seconded. Motion carried.

- 9- **Discussion/decision to authorize First Selectmen to enter into an agreement with landscape architect Richter & Cegan Inc. to perform work on the Community Connectivity sidewalk project.** First Selectman Spaulding explained the Sidewalk Committee interviewed 3 different architects. Mr. Luiz gave a background on the interview process, along with proposals and costs. Selectwoman Nestor moved to authorize First Selectmen to enter into a contract with landscape architects Richter & Cegan Inc. for the amount of \$40,000 for work associated with the Community Connectivity sidewalk project, in the amount of \$40,000, pending Town Attorney's review of the contract. First Selectman Spaulding seconded. Motion carried.

- 10- **Discussion/decision concerning the 2019 State Diesel Emissions Reduction Act Program Grant:** First Selectman Spaulding gave a background on the state diesel emission reduction act. He stated we have 2 trucks that we can fund with the 25% covered by this grant. Funding was discussed. Selectwoman Nestor moved to authorize the First Selectman to sign any and all paperwork necessary to facilitate the Town's participation in the 2019 State of Connecticut Diesel Emissions Reduction Act Program, and to authorize the purchase of two new dump trucks utilizing \$335,548 from the Capital Budget Vehicle Sinking Fund, with the understanding that \$75,952 will be credited to the Capital Budget Vehicle Sinking Fund via a state grant. First Selectman Spaulding seconded. Motion carried.

- 11- **Discussion/decision to authorize the First Selectman to enter into an agreement with RFJ Associates, LLC dba Tomlinson Hawley Patterson for the construction project entitled "Weston EMS Headquarters and the Weston Public Safety Facility."** First Selectman Spaulding explained the history of this project. He stated we went out to bid resulting in the Building Committee and Architect Brian Humes agreeing to hire RFJ Associates with the contract already having been reviewed by Town Attorney. First Selectman Spaulding also stated this project was approved at the recent Special Town Meeting. Selectwoman Nestor moved to authorize the First Selectman to enter into a contract with RFJ Associates, LLC dba Tomlinson Hawley Patterson, as presented. First Selectman Spaulding seconded. Motion carried.

- 12- **Discussion/decision to authorize the First Selectman to enter into an agreement with the State of Connecticut concerning a library construction grant.** First Selectman Spaulding reviewed the grant history, explaining the funds have been appropriated. Selectwoman Nestor moved to authorize the First Selectman to sign the State Public Library Construction Grant Contract for Municipalities, as presented. First Selectman Spaulding seconded. Motion carried.
- 13- **Discussion/decision to accept the resignation of Part time dispatcher Melodye Colucci:** Selectwoman Nestor moved to accept the resignation of Part time dispatcher Melodye Colucci effective immediately. First Selectman Spaulding seconded. Motion carried.
- 14- **Discussion/decision to authorize the First Selectman to enter into an agreement for paramedic services with the Norwalk Hospital Association and the Town of Wilton. First Selectman Spaulding explained that we have EMT's but they get supervised by paramedics and we needed to renegotiate this contract, which was reviewed by Town Attorney. Selectwoman Nestor moved to authorize the First Selectman to enter into an agreement for paramedic services with the Norwalk Hospital Association and the Town of Wilton, as presented. First Selectman Spaulding seconded. Motion carried.**
- 15- **Discussion/decision to adopt a resolution endorsing the Western Connecticut Council of Governments' regional performance incentive program grant application:** First Selectman Spaulding stated WestCOG researches and find grants, at no cost, and funds studies for projects such as regionalizing transfer stations and dispatch centers. Selectwoman Nestor moved to adopt the following resolution: "Resolved, that the Weston Board of Selectmen endorses the Western Connecticut Council of Governments' regional performance incentive program grant application, as presented." First Selectman Spaulding seconded. Motion carried.
- 16- **Adjournment:** Selectwoman Nestor moved to adjourn at 8:35pm. First Selectman Spaulding seconded. Motion passed.

Minutes submitted by:
Randi Derene, Administrative Assistant

Minutes approved: February 20, 2020