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TOWN OF SIMSBURY - BOARD OF SELECTMEN
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
DECEMBER 5, 2011

CALL TO ORDER

The Special Meeting of the Board of Directors to order at 7:00 p.m. at Eno Memorial Hall, Simsbury. Present were: First Selectman Mary Glassman; Board members John Hampton, Moira Wertheimer, Lisa Heavner, Nancy Haase and Sean Askham. Others in attendance included: Tom Cooke, Paul Henault, Peter Askham and other interest parties.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Everyone stood for the Pledge of Allegiance

PUBLIC AUDIENCE

Robert Kalechman, 791 Hopmeadow Street congratulated everyone for their election. He said he was sure they would all do a fine job.

Mr. Kalechman was concerned about the proposed resolutions on the agenda - he feels more information is needed before they are approved. He is concerned about the time for public audience and public inspection of minutes in item #6 Rules and Procedures.

Ms. Glassman noted that the Rules and Procedures have not changed at all. They are the same as they were since at least she was in office, if not longer.

ELECTION OF DEPUTY FIRST SELECTMAN

Ms. Glassman said this position is usually at the discretion of the First Selectman. Ms. Glassman made motion to nominate John Hampton for Deputy First Selectman as he has done a great job in the past. Mr. Hampton has also made himself available for duty when she is unable to be there. Ms. Heavner seconded the motion. After discussion, all were in favor and the

motion passed.

The issue of Deputy First Selectman will be discussed further at the next Board meeting. There will be discussion on clarifying the definition of the job and what the process should be.

APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING LOCATION AND TIMES OF REGULAR MEETINGS FOR 2012

Mr. Askham made motion to approve the meeting dates and times at Town Hall for the Regular Board of Selectmen meetings. Mr. Hampton seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

REVIEW, DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY APPROVE RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN RULES AND PROCEDURES

Ms. Glassman said these rules and procedures have not changed since last year, or before. She feels the Board bends over backwards for the Public Audience portion of the agenda.

There was some discussion on obtaining the information for meetings earlier, especially if it is a lot of information to go through. Mr. Cooke will look into getting the information to the Selectmen through e-mail so they can get it before Friday night.

Ms. Heavner made motion to approve the Rules and Procedures, as attached, with a practice review to be discussed at the next Board meeting. Mr. Askham seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

The next agenda will include information on how other towns handle speakers who want to address agenda items. Ms. Haase would like the agenda changed to clarify action items also.

REVIEW, DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY APPROVE RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RE-ESTABLISHMENT, THROUGH AND INCLUDING JANUARY 13, 2012, OF SPECIAL AND TEMPORARY BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Mr. Hampton made motion to authorize the re-establishment, through and including January 13, 2012, of special and temporary Boards and Commissions as attached. Ms. Haase seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

DISCUSSION OF FIRST SELECTMAN'S DECISION TO CONTINUE EXISTING BOARD AND COMMISSION LIAISON ASSIGNMENTS THROUGH AND INCLUDING JANUARY 13, 2012

Ms. Glassman said Ms. Haase took over Mr. Herlihy's position and Mr. Askham is filling in for Mr. Hensley. A list will be given to the Board at the next Board meeting. If there are any changes, please let Mr. Cooke know.

Ms. Askham made motion to approve continuing existing Board and Commission liaison assignments through and including January 13, 2012. Mr. Hampton seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

RE-APPOINTMENT OF TOWN ATTORNEY AND TOWN LABOR COUNSEL

After discussion on negotiations that are currently taking place, Ms. Wertheimer made motion to re-appoint the Town Attorney and Town Labor Counsel not to exceed one year. Then these

positions will go out to bid again. Mr. Hampton seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Haase made motion to adjourn at 7:45 p.m. Ms. Heavner seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary A. Glassman
First Selectman