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TOWN HALL
238 Danbury Road
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BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING
Monday May 1, 2023
Comstock Room 31

PRESENT: First Selectwoman Lynne Vanderslice, Joshua Cole, Kimberley Healy (joined at 6:37pm), Ross Tartell

ABSENT: Basam Nabulsi

GUESTS: Fire Chief James Blanchfield, Town Administrator – Matt Knickerbocker, CFO Dawn Norton

A. Call to Order

Ms. Vanderslice called the meeting to order at 6:35pm.

Ms. Vanderslice asked for a motion to add and item E-5 to the agenda – Possible Appointment to the Parks & Recreation Commission. Motion moved by Mr. Tartell, seconded by Mr. Cole and carried 3-0.

B. Public Comment

None

C. Executive Session – Interviews

Ms. Vanderslice asked for a motion to enter into Executive Session at 6:36pm to conduct interviews for the Parks & Recreation Commission and invite Alix Korpan, Michael Schmidt and Mark McAndrews at various intervals. Motion moved by Mr. Tartell seconded by Mr. Cole and carried 3-0.

Out of Executive Session and back in Regular Session at 8:01pm

D. Consent Agenda

Motion moved by Mr. Tartell, seconded by Ms. Healy and carried 4-0 to approve the Consent Agenda as follows:

- Minutes
 - Board of Selectmen Regular Meeting – April 18, 2023
- Refunds
 - As per Tax Collectors Memo dated April 27, 2023
- Gift
 - Visiting Nurse Association of Ridgefield – Senior Newsletter - \$600.00

E. Discussion and/or Action

1. FFY 2022 State Homeland Security Grant MOA

Chief Blanchfield reviewed the FFY 2022 State Homeland Security Grant MOA. After review, motion moved by Mr. Tartell seconded by Ms. Healy to authorize the execution of the FFY 2022 State Homeland Security Grant MOA. Motion carried 4-0.

2. Contract – 4th of July Fireworks – Pyrotecnico Fireworks, Inc.

Mr. Knickerbocker reviewed a proposed contract with Pyrotecnico in the amount of \$18,000 for fireworks display at the 4th of July festivities for the town. After review motion moved by Mr. Tartell, seconded by Mr. Cole and carried 4-0.

3. Annual Town Meeting Information and Updates

Ms. Vanderslice noted a letter had been received from WARF documenting their minimum \$180,000 financial commitment to the cost of the proposed turf field and their commitment to fund the entire cost of infrastructure that would be required to be installed at the time of the turf field installation for a future possible seasonal bubble.

4. Moody's Reaffirmation of Aaa Bond Rating and May Bond Offering Schedule

Ms. Vanderslice, Mr. Knickerbocker and Ms. Norton provided information on their discussions with Moody's in advance of their recently issued Aaa bonding rate for the upcoming bond offering on May 16, 2023.

5. Possible Appointments to the Parks & Recreation Commission

Ms. Vanderslice noted the interviews for Parks & Recreation that took place that evening. A final candidate is to be interviewed on May 16, 2023 with appointments at that same meeting.

F. Selectmen's Report

1. First Selectwoman

Ms. Vanderslice noted the town was awarded the recently applied for grant for the NRVt.

Ms. Vanderslice also noted Sugar Hollow Bridge Grant was awarded in an amount of approximately \$2.9 million.

2. Selectmen/Selectwoman

Mr. Tartell

Mr. Tartell discussed note received from Pam Hovland regarding 261-265 Danbury Rd and the possibility of the town acquiring the properties. Ms. Vanderslice noted the properties had recently been sold.

Mr. Cole

Mr. Cole congratulated the Wilton Library on their fundraising Gala in April noting it was a fun event and very well attended.

Ms. Healy

Ms. Healy noted the upcoming Minks to Sinks event.

G. Public Comment

None.

H. Adjournment

Having no further business, motion to adjourn moved by Mr. Cole at 8:26pm, seconded by Mr. Tartell and carried 4-0.

Jacqueline Rochester
Recording Secretary
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