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> TOWN HALL 238 Danbury Road Wilton, CT 06897

## BOARD OF SELECTMEN REGULAR MEETING Monday July 1, 2019 Meeting Room B, Town Hall

- **PRESENT:** First Selectwoman Lynne Vanderslice, David Clune, Lori Bufano, Joshua Cole, Deborah McFadden
- GUESTS: Anne Kelly-Lenz

## **OTHERS:** Members of the Press and Members of the Public

- A. Call to Order
  Ms. Vanderslice called the meeting to order at 8:01 p.m.
- B. Executive Session

Ms. Vanderslice asked for a motion to go into Executive Session to interview Joe Buhler regarding his interest in serving on the Western CT Tourism Board. Motion moved by Ms. McFadden, seconded by Mr. Cole and carried 4-0.

Out of Executive Session at 8:26 p.m.

- C. Public Comment None
- D. Consent Agenda

Motion made by Ms. McFadden, seconded by Ms. Bufano and carried 5-0 to approve the Consent Agenda as follows subject to correction on page 2 Item 4 to change Fadden to McFadden:

Minutes

• Board of Selectmen Regular Meeting – June 17, 2019

Gifts

- The Fair Group Summer Concert Series \$500.00
- Operation Fuel Inc. Social Services Gift Fund \$75.00
- Eversource Energy Social Services Gift Fund \$20.00

Thanked all for their generous donations.

- E. Discussion and/or Action
  - Proposal for Gold Star Parents and Spouses Tax Relief Ordinance Ms. Vanderslice reviewed the Proposal for Gold Star Parents and Spouses Tax Relief Ordinance. She reviewed a draft ordinance that was prepared by Town Counsel. Ms. Vanderslice noted that in the past ordinances have been passed both by a Town Meeting and by the Board of Selectmen. She is recommending that this ordinance go through the BoS. If decide to go ahead, the ordinance will be effective for the Oct 1, 2019 grand list. In order to move forward, must go to a public hearing. Consensus reached by the BoS to move forward with the ordinance and have it go through BoS. After discussion, motion to move forward with a public hearing on proposed ordinance to be held on August 12, 2019 at 8:00pm by Mr. Cole, seconded by Ms. McFadden and carried 5-0.
  - 2. Proposed Policy for Phone Participation at Meetings

Ms. Vanderslice noted that Town Counsel Ira Bloom recently did FOIA training at the most recent BoF meeting in June and addressed a question that each board adopt a policy on Phone Participation at Meetings. Ms Vanderslice proposed the policy below:

"Members are allowed to participate in regular and special Board of Selectmen meetings by phone, subject to at least one member being present in person at the meeting.

Participation includes voting by phone."

After review, motion made by Ms. McFadden to adopt the above policy, seconded by Ms. Bufano and carried 5-0.

Ms. Vanderslice further noted that all Boards and Commissions were invited to attend the FOIA training and that video is available on the Town website for those that were unable to attend.

She also noted that the Guide to Serving on Board/Commission has been out for a year and that Sarah Gioffre will be working on an update to guide. She will be including a FAQ section and a section specifically for Chairs/Co-Chairs

3. School Nursing Services Contract

Anne Kelly-Lenz reviewed the School Nursing Services Contract with the Visiting Nurses Association (VNA). Contract covers the BoE portion of visiting nurses for approximately \$750,000 for Wilton Schools and approximately \$34 -35,000 for Our Lady of Fatima and Montessori as the Town provides that as well. She noted this contract is coming to the BoS as funding resides in the town budget and requires the First Selectwoman's signature. After review motion made by Ms. McFadden to approve the School Nursing Services Contract subject to addition of Appendices and approval of Town Counsel. Motion seconded by Mr. Cole and carried 5-0.

4. Proposal for Eagle Scout Project

Ms. Vanderslice reviewed the Proposal for Eagle Scout Project (memo is attached) and noted the project was approved by the Parks & Recreation Commission. After review, motion made by Mr. Cole to allow the Eagle Scout Project proposed by Dev Madhavani to build two gaga pits for each playground at Cider Mill School to move forward. Motion seconded by Mr. Clune and carried 5-0.

Ms. Vanderslice thanked Dev Madhavani for bringing the project forward and hopes once completed can come to the Board to discuss.

5. Appointments

Ms. Vanderslice asked for a motion to appoint Joseph Buhler to the Western CT Convention and Visitors Bureau for a three year term. Motion moved by Ms. Bufano, seconded by Ms. McFadden and carried 5-0.

- F. Selectmen's Reports
  - 1. First Selectman
    - Ms. Vanderslice noted that the Wilton Police Department was named as the CT Police Department of the Year by the CT American Legion
    - Reviewed the new tax payment system
    - Gave a review on Sustainable CT. She noted that she met with Debra Thompson-Van and Kevin Gardiner regarding Sustainable CT.
    - Reviewed the How Do I? section of the Town Website
    - Full schedule of July 4th activities available on Town website
  - 2. Selectmen
    - Ms. Bufano

Ms. Bufano made note of the baskets hanging in town and thanked the Garden Club and the Parks & Recreation Dept and all that donated for their effort.

Ms. McFadden noted she tried the tax process and it was fairly easy to use. She wished all a happy and safe 4<sup>th</sup> of July. Thank the First Selectwoman for meeting with Debra Thompson Van and Kevin Gardiner regarding Sustainable CT.

Mr. Clune None

Mr. Cole None

- G. Public Comment None
- H. Adjournment

Having no further business, Ms. Vanderslice asked for a motion to adjourn. Motion made by Ms. Bufano to adjourn meeting at 8:59 p.m. Motion was seconded by Mr. Cole and carried 5-0.

Next Meeting - July 15, 2019

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Jacqueline Rochester Recording Secretary Taken from Video



STEVE PIERCE SCOTT KIERAS Director Assistant Director Pro

Jim Lewicki Program Coordinator BEVERLY HODGE Administrative Secretary

June 28, 2019

Lynne Vanderslice First Selectman Town of Wilton 238 Danbury Rd Wilton, Ct. 06897

Dear Lynne,

Dev Madhavani is a candidate for Eagle Scout with a local troop and would like to build two gaga pits for each playground at Cider Mill School. This request was presented to the Parks & Recreation Commission and unanimously approved.

The game combines dodging, striking, running, and jumping, with the objective of being the last person standing. Players hit the ball at each other with their hands, and are eliminated if the ball strikes them on or below the knee. The game can be played by a group of individual players or with teams, as well as in one-on-one matches.

An example of this is attached for your review.

They would like the request consideration of the Board of Selectman of this project as a gift to the Town.

Please contact me should you have any questions regarding this donation.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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Steve Pierce Parks & Recreation Director



