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BOARD OF SELECTMEN REGULAR MEETING June 6, 2012

Present: Norman M. Needleman, First Selectman

Stacia R. Libby, Selectman Joel B. Marzi, Selectman

Norman Needleman called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m.

Approval of Agenda:

Motion was made by Stacia Libby to approve the Agenda with the addition of Item 8F Neighborhood Assistance Act. Joel Marzi seconded the motion, it was unanimously approved. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion was made by Joel Marzi to approve the May 16, 2012 Regular Meeting Minutes. Stacia Libby seconded the motion, it was unanimously approved. Motion carried.

Communications and Correspondence: None

Public Announcements: None

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

Household Hazardous Waste

Mr. Needleman reported on recent collections, on May 19th and June 2nd of the 11 participating towns, Essex has the highest number of households that participated.

Cans and Bottles Recycling Bins to Use

Mr. Needleman reported that DEEP was awarded some recycling receptacles. CRERPA has 40 recyclable bins that are available for municipalities for use at local events.

OLD BUSINESS:

Resubdivision Rosewood Lane

Mr. Needleman tabled this until the next Board of Selectmen meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

Tent Permit Fee

Motion was made by Norman Needleman to waive the tent permit fee for the Hot Steamed Jazz festival to be held on June 22, 23, and 24, 2012. Joel Marzi seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved. Motion carried.

Liquor Hours Ordinance

Mr. Needleman recommended that the Board of Selectmen repeal the Liquor Hours Ordinance. The process would require the Town to hold a public hearing and a town meeting.

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Boards and Commissions

Motion was made by Joel Marzi to accept the resignation of Bill Foster as member of the Economic Development Commission. Joel Marzi seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved. Motion carried.

Norman Needleman resigned from the Retirement Committee.

Motion was made by Norman Needleman to appoint Stacia Libby as a member of the Retirement Committee.

Neighborhood Assistance Act - Schedule Public Hearing

Norman Needleman reported that the Connecticut River Foundation at Steamboat Dock submitted an application under the State of Connecticut, Neighborhood Assistance Act. This process requires a Public Hearing.

Set Public Hearing

Motion was made by Stacia Libby to set a Public Hearing on Wednesday, June 20th, 2012 at 6:45 p.m. in Conference Room A for the Connecticut River Foundation at Steamboat Dock Neighborhood Assistance Act Application. Joel Marzi seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Stacia Libby to set a Public Hearing for Wednesday, June 20, 2012 at 6:45 p.m. for the purpose of the Liquor Hours Ordinance. Norman Needleman seconded the motion, it was unanimously approved. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Joel Marzi to set a Special Town Meeting for Wednesday, June 20th, 2012 at 6:50 p.m. for the purpose of repealing the Liquor Hours Ordinance. Norman Needleman seconded the motion, it was unanimously approved. Motion carried.

Resolution – Nondiscrimination Certification

Motion was made by Stacia Libby to approve the Nondiscrimination Certification (attached) to accompany the Survey and Planning Grant. Joel Marzi seconded the motion, it was unanimously approved. Motion carried.

Public Comment: None

SELECTMEN GENERAL DISCUSSION:

There was discussion that public works is researching and preparing a cost benefit analysis on a used over the rail mower or a new mower attachment.

Stacia Libby reported that the Traffic Options Promoting Public Safety (TOPPS) had their first meeting. The focus will be Grove Street and looking at different scenarios on traffic calming techniques.

Mr. Needleman reported that he attended the web site meeting. A Request for Proposals is being created in order to go out to bid on a new Town web site.

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Mr. Marzi reported that he is working with an informal recommendation capital needs committee that will investigate the needs of the school roof, roads, bridges, and sidewalks, and the town hall building. The school roof is the most urgent.

Mr. Needleman reported that the bond rates are at 1.9%.

Mr. Needleman reported that Mr. Tom Fitzgerald has agreed to take on managing the maintenance of the Town Hall Building.

Mr. Needleman reported that Southern Connecticut Gas Company (SCG) is looking at linking a gas line from Westbrook to Essex. SCG are doing a survey of major potential users of the natural gas to justify the capital expense.

Motion was made by Norman Needleman to adjourn the meeting at 5:39 p.m. Joel Marzi seconded the motion, it was unanimously approved. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, Maria P. Lucarelli

TOWN OF ESSEX NONDISCRIMINATION CERTIFICATION

I, Frances D. Nolin, Town Clerk of the Town of Essex, an entity lawfully organized and existing under the laws of the State of Connecticut, do hereby certify that the following is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted on the 6th day of June, 2012 by the governing body of the Town of Essex, in accordance with all of its documents of governance and management and the laws of the State of Connecticut, and further certify that such resolution has not been modified, rescinded or revoked, and is, at present, in full force and effect.

RESOLVED: That the Town of Essex hereby adopts as its policy to support the nondiscrimination agreements and warranties required under Connecticut General Statutes § 4a-60(a)(1) and § 4a-60a(a)(1), as amended in State of Connecticut Public Act 07-245 and sections 9(a)(1) and 10(a)(1) of Public Act 07-142.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed this certificate this 7th day of June, 2012.

Frances D. Nolin Town Clerk