

MEETING MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

APRIL 1, 2021

A meeting of the North Haven Board of Selectmen was held on Thursday, April 1, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. in conference room #1 of the North Haven Memorial Town Hall, 18 Church Street, North Haven, CT.

Members Present:

Michael J. Freda, First Selectman
William J. Pieper, Second Selectman
Sally J. Buemi, Third Selectman

Staff:

Valerie Goodkin, Executive Assistant

Mr. Freda called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and welcomed Selectwoman Sally Buemi and Selectman William Pieper who was participating remotely.

Mr. Freda and the Selectmen then proceeded in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Miss Buemi motioned with a second from Mr. Pieper to approve the minutes of the Board of Selectmen's Meeting of March 4, 2021.

VOTE: Freda – yes; Pieper – yes; Buemi – yes

First Selectman Freda provided a brief overview of the FY 2021-2022 Budget Process, including the Public Hearing on April 6th. Ms. Goodkin detailed how residents could access the hearing using Zoom and invited anyone needing assistance to contact the First Selectman's office for guidance. Mr. Freda noted several additional informational items including the opening of the Yale New Haven Health Winchester Center for Lung Disease on Divine Street, and several Earth Day town cleanup events. He also noted that April is Child Abuse Prevention and Awareness month and as in the past the Town has placed the blue pinwheels for prevention in front of Town Hall.

Miss Buemi provided additional comment regarding the April 6th Budget Hearing and also asked Mr. Freda for an update regarding the closing of the Community Services Day Care. Mr. Freda explained that we are one of perhaps only two municipalities that provide this service and even with the subsidy from the State, the Day Care was losing money. An RFP was put out requesting any day care that may be interested in taking over. There were no responses. The children have all found other centers and several of the personnel were retiring.

Miss Buemi motioned with a second from Mr. Pieper for the approval of the following Fair Housing Resolution.

VOTE: Freda – yes; Pieper – yes; Buemi – yes

FAIR HOUSING RESOLUTION TOWN OF NORTH HAVEN

WHEREAS, All persons are afforded a right to full and equal housing opportunities in the neighborhood of their choice; and Federal fair housing laws require that all individuals, regardless of race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status or national origin, be given equal access to all housing-related opportunities, including rental and homeownership opportunities, and be allowed to make free choices regarding housing location; and Connecticut fair housing laws require that all individuals, regardless of race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, sex, marital status, age, lawful source of income, familial status, learning disability, physical or mental disability, sexual orientation, be given equal access to all housing-related opportunities, including rental and home ownership opportunities, and be allowed to make free choices regarding housing location; and The Town of North Haven is committed to upholding these laws, and realizes that these laws must be supplemented by an Affirmative Statement publicly endorsing the right of all people to full and equal housing opportunities in the neighborhood of their choice.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,

That the Town of North Haven hereby endorses a Fair Housing Policy to ensure equal opportunity for all persons to rent, purchase, obtain financing and enjoy all other housing-related services of their choice on a non-discriminatory basis as provided by state and federal law; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,

That the Chief Executive Officer of the Town of North Haven or his designated representative is responsible for responding to and assisting any person who alleges to be the victim of an illegal discriminatory housing practice in the Town of North Haven and for advising such person of the right to file a complaint with the State of Connecticut Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities (CHRO) or the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) or to seek assistance from the CT Fair Housing Center, legal services, or other fair housing organizations to protect his or her right to equal housing opportunities.

Mr. Pieper motioned with a second from Miss Buemi for the approval of the following resolution for bonding for the milling and paving of roads.

VOTE: Freda – yes; Pieper – yes; Buemi – yes

RESOLVED, that the Board of Selectmen recommends that the Town of North Haven appropriate \$2,000,000 for the milling and paving of Town roadways; the project shall consist of milling and removal of waste materials, paving and materials, installation of manholes and drainage risers, traffic protection, including signage and police and flag personnel; the appropriation may be spent for design, demolition and construction costs, equipment, furnishings, materials, site improvements, survey costs, architects' fees,

engineering fees, other consultants' fees, legal fees, net temporary interest and other financing costs, and other expenses related to the project; and that the Town issue bonds or notes and temporary notes in an amount not to exceed \$2,000,000 to finance the appropriation.

Miss Buemi motioned with a second from Mr. Pieper for the call of a Special Town Meeting to be held on Tuesday, April 20, 2021 at 5:00 pm held electronically via internet and telephone access for the following purposes:

1. To consider and vote upon Town acceptance of the following road: Mikey's Way
2. To consider and act upon the recommendations of the Board of Finance and the Board of Selectmen:

(a) to appropriate \$2,000,000 for the milling and paving of Town roadways. The project shall consist of milling and removal of waste materials, paving and materials, installation of manholes and drainage risers, traffic protection, including signage and police and flag personnel. The appropriation may be spent for design, demolition and construction costs, equipment, furnishings, materials, site improvements, survey costs, architects' fees, engineering fees, other consultants' fees, legal fees, net temporary interest and other financing costs, and other expenses related to the project.

(b) to issue bonds or notes of the Town in an amount not to exceed \$2,000,000; to provide that the amount of bonds or notes authorized to be issued shall be reduced by any grants received for the project;

(c) to issue temporary notes of the Town in amount not to exceed \$2,000,000 in anticipation of such bonds or notes;

(d) to determine or authorize the First Selectman and the Treasurer of the Town to determine the amounts, dates, interest rates, maturities, redemption provisions, form and other details of the bonds or notes; and to perform all other acts which are necessary or appropriate to issue the bonds or notes;

(e) to take such action to allow temporary advances of available funds which the Town reasonably expects will be reimbursed from the proceeds of borrowings; and to authorize the First Selectman and the Treasurer to bind the Town pursuant to such representations and covenants as they deem necessary or advisable in order to maintain the continued exemption from federal income taxation of interest on the bonds or notes authorized by the resolution if issued on a tax-exempt basis, including covenants to pay rebates of investment earnings to the United States in future years;

(f) to authorize the First Selectman and the Treasurer to make representations and enter into written agreements for the benefit of holders of the bonds or notes to provide secondary market disclosure information, which agreements may include such terms as they deem advisable or appropriate in order to comply with applicable laws or rules pertaining to the sale or purchase of such bonds or notes;

(g) to authorize the First Selectman, the Treasurer and other proper officers of the Town to take all other action which is necessary or desirable to complete the project and to issue bonds or notes to finance the aforesaid appropriation.

VOTE: Freda – yes; Pieper – yes; Buemi – yes

Mr. Pieper motioned with a second from Miss Buemi to accept the resignation of Reverend Wayne Lavender (D), 90 Julian Drive, Hamden, CT 06518, from the Community Services Commission, term to expire December 31, 2022.

VOTE: Freda – yes; Pieper – yes; Buemi – yes

Miss Buemi motioned with a second from Mr. Pieper for the appointment of Mary Anne Hardy (D), 37 Brockett Farm Road to the Community Services Commission to fill the unexpired term of Reverend Wayne Lavender, term to expire December 31, 2022.

VOTE: Freda – yes; Pieper – yes; Buemi – yes

Miss Buemi motioned with a second from Mr. Pieper for the approval of the following Property Tax Refunds.

VOTE: Freda – yes; Pieper – yes; Buemi – yes

- Acar Leasing LTD – Attn: Alicia Richeson, 4001 Embarcardero Drive, Arlington, TX 76014, in the amount of 72.90.
- Bargsten, Chadwick & Henson, Kristine – 1529 Ridge Road, in the amount of \$138.24; and in the amount of \$92.16.
- CCAP Auto Lease – 1601 Elm Street 800, Dallas, TX 75201, in the amount of \$104.51; and in the amount of \$309.01.
- Enterprise FM Trust – 9315 Olive Blvd, Saint Louis, MO 63132, in the amount of \$243.40; and in the amount of \$35.07.
- Gelin, Richard / Gelin, Beverly – 701 Market St #141, Oxford, MI 48371, in the amount of \$6.51.
- Leonardi, Dorothy S. – 87 Carriage Drive, in the amount of \$280.62.
- Mansi, Joseph A. Jr. – 242 Celia Drive, Wolcott, CT 06705, in the amount of \$12.38.
- Pask, Kenneth – 478 Quinnipiac Avenue, in the amount of \$16.56; and in the amount of \$17.08.
- Seniw, Alexandra & Roman – 16 Mikeys Way, in the amount of \$31.18.
- VW Credit Leasing LTD – 1401 Franklin Blvd, Libertyville, IL 60048, in the amount of \$485.07.
- Wilber, Raymond & June (both deceased) – Joanne Eckmyre, Executrix, 12418 Seminole Road, Lusby, MD 20657, in the amount of \$271.61.

Mr. Freda stated that the next meeting of the Board of Selectmen is Thursday, May 6, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. in the upstairs conference room # 1 of the North Haven Memorial Town Hall, 18 Church Street, North Haven, CT.

With no additional business before the Board, Miss Buemi motioned with a second from Mr. Pieper to adjourn at 8:05 pm.

VOTE: Freda – yes; Pieper – yes; Buemi –yes