

TOWN OF WASHINGTON
Board of Selectmen
Minutes
November 22, 2022
HYBRID MEETING

Minutes are subject to the approval of the Board of Selectmen.

Present: First Selectman James Brinton, Selectmen Jay Hubelbank and Dean Sarjeant.

Public: Susan Smith, Joan Lodsins, Todd Peterson, Leslie Anderson.

Call to Order: First Selectman Jim Brinton called the meeting to order at 5:30p.m.

Approval of Minutes:

- **Motion:** To approve the minutes of the November 9, 2022 meeting of the Board of Selectmen. By Jim Brinton, seconded by Jay Hubelbank and unanimously approved.

Communications: None.

Appointments/Resignations:

- **Appointment of Edmund White as a Zoning Commission alternate: Motion:** To appoint Edmund White as an alternate on the Zoning Commission until the Municipal Election in 11/23. By Jim Brinton seconded by Dean Sarjeant. Discussion: Ed has submitted a letter of interest and has the endorsement of the Democratic Town Committee and Zoning Chairman. The motion passed unanimously.

First Selectman's Report: Jim Brinton reported the following:

- **CHK Architects** met with Jim Brinton, Bob Papsin, Buildings and Properties Commission, and Mark Showalter, Facilities Director, to discuss the study conducted of Town Hall offices with the goal of improving and upgrading use of space, furniture arrangement, etc. They will be reporting back with more detailed plans in several weeks.
- **Town Hall lighting** is in the process of being improved with more energy efficient fixtures – most of which will work on sensors.
- **Equipment for clearing sidewalks:** The Town has purchased, at nearly half the amount budgeted, a "Snowzilla" to clear the Depot sidewalks. It is equipped with a plow, blower, brush and sand spreader. It was delivered today.
- **Transfer Station Update:** The compactors are scheduled to be delivered on Wednesday, November 30th. Delivery will be confirmed on Monday the 28th.
- **Paramedic Program:** New Milford was notified the other six towns in the program that they are pulling out and providing their own paramedic service. Washington and the remaining towns will be looking into other services, requesting prices, etc. for budgeting purposes.

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Main Conference Room:** Technology improvements are being done.

NEW BUSINESS:

Resolution: Department of Emergency Services:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Selectmen may enter into with and deliver to the State of Connecticut Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection, Division of Emergency Management and Homeland Security any and all documents which it deems to be necessary or appropriate; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that James L. Brinton, as First Selectman of the Town of Washington, is authorized and directed to execute and deliver any and all documents on behalf of the Town of Washington and to do and perform all acts and things which he deems to be necessary or appropriate to carry out the terms of such documents, including, but not limited to, executing and delivering all agreements and documents contemplated by such documents. By Jim Brinton, seconded by Jay Hubelbank. Discussion: approval of this Resolution allows the Town to receive State funding to offset the Emergency Services budget. The motion passed unanimously.

Visitors: None.

Adjournment:

- **Motion:** To adjourn the meeting at 5:42p.m. as there was no further business for discussion. By Jim Brinton, seconded by Dean Sarjeant and unanimously approved.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Anne Greene
Selectmen's Assistant