

Town of Greenwich

Meeting Board of Selectmen

April 25, 2019

10:00 A.M.

Town Hall Meeting Room

APPROVED MINUTES

1. Welcome and Pledge of Allegiance

The meeting was called to order at 10:05 A.M.

a. Attendance:

- a. First Selectman Peter J. Tesei - Present
- b. Selectman John Toner - Present
- c. Selectman Sandy Litvack – Present

Mr. Tesei stated that this was a public meeting, not a public hearing and that the Chair reserves the right to call upon residents to comment.

2. Approval of Minutes

- a. Board of Selectmen Regular Meeting on April 11, 2019.
- b. Board of Selectmen Special Meeting on April 17, 2019.

The minutes will be prepared for the next meeting.

3. First Selectman's Updates

On April 23, there was a public hearing on the recommended allocations for the Community Development Block Grant program. Mr. Tesei said the CDBG Advisory Committee had concerns that the Housing Authority of the Town of Greenwich could potentially jeopardize future funding. He expects to make a final funding decision next week.

On April 24, there was an inaugural meeting of the MAT team – a community partnership with Greenwich Hospital Yale New Haven Health, YWCA Greenwich, UJA-JCC, Breast Cancer Alliance and the Town of Greenwich. It is a new program that will provide additional training for local health providers to recognize the early signs of breast and ovarian cancers. This program is spearheaded by Greenwich resident Kailie Zagger.

Upcoming events include:

April 26 is the annual Stand Against Racism program with the YWCA Greenwich here at Town Hall.

April 27: the annual Greenwich Symphony Orchestra gala when Gale & Bob Lawrence will be honored for the support of the Orchestra and its many worthwhile programs; The annual Red Cross Red & White Ball which will honor Lt. Victor Prato and former Greenwich resident – filmmaker Ron Howard for their service to the country and

community.

April 28: the Greenwich Historical Society will hold its annual preservation awards. The Town will be honored for its preservation of the former Greenwich High School, which is now Town Hall, and for the obelisk on Greenwich Avenue, in front of the old post office that's now Restoration Hardware.

April 29: the Historical Society will kick off its 'This Place Matters' program with a ceremony in front of Town Hall at 10 a.m.

4. Old Business

There was none.

5. New Business

- a.** Notification of resumption of 2020 tax assessment property inspections – Tax Assessor Lauren Elliott.

Ms. Elliott explained the Assessor's office is resuming revaluation inspections and that there are 16,400 properties that need inspection. More than 10,000 properties have been completed during the last two years.

6. Appointments and Nominations

There were no nominations made following candidate interviews conducted in Executive Session.

7. Executive Session

- a.** Executive Session to discuss pending litigation and settlement of claims, and to interview candidates for boards and commissions.

At 10:22 a.m., Mr. Litvack made a motion to enter Executive Session. Upon a second by Mr. Toner, the motion was approved unanimously.

In attendance, Recording Secretary Barbara Heins, Town Attorney Wayne Fox, Assistant Town Attorneys Aamina Ahmad and Fred de Arango, Carol Burns, Dr. Andrew Bronin, Thomas Zack, Caralyn Stevens and Richard Kaplan.

At 12:18 p.m., Mr. Toner made a motion to exit Executive Session. Upon a second by Mr. Litvack, the motion was approved unanimously.

Mr. Litvack made a motion to settle Alane Gerda v. Town of Greenwich, et al for \$12,000 with the Town contributing \$8,000. Upon a second by Mr. Toner, the motion was approved unanimously.

Mr. Toner made a motion to renominate Carol Burns (R3) to a three-year term to the Commission on Aging

that would expire June 30, 2022. Upon a second by Mr. Litvack, the motion was approved unanimously.

Mr. Toner made a motion to renominate Dr. Andrew Bronin (R3) to a four-year term on the Board of Health, that would expire June 30, 2023. Upon a second by Mr. Tesei, the motion as approved unanimously.

Mr. Toner made a motion to renominate Carol Burns (R3) to a three-year term to the Commission on Aging that would expire June 30, 2022. Upon a second by Mr. Litvack, the motion was approved unanimously.

Mr. Toner made a motion to renominate Thomas Zack (R3) to a three-year term to the Alarm Appeal Board that would expire June 30, 2022. Upon a second by Mr. Litvack, the motion was approved unanimously.

Mr. Litvack made a motion to renominate Caralyn Stevens as a member of the Selectmen's Nomination Advisory Board for a term expiring June 30, 2022. Upon a second by Mr. Toner, the motion was approved unanimously.

Mr. Litvack made a motion to nominate Peter Crumbine to emeritus status as a member of the Selectmen's Nomination Advisory. Upon a second by Mr. Toner, the motion was approved unanimously.

8. Adjournment

At 12:22 p.m., Mr. Litvack made a motion to adjourn. Upon a second by Mr. Toner, the motion was approved unanimously.

The next Meeting of the Board of Selectmen is scheduled for Thursday, May 9, 2019 at 10:00 A.M. in the Town Hall Meeting Room.

Peter J. Tesei, First Selectman

Prepared by Barbara A. Heins,
Recording Secretary