Town of Greenwich
Board of Selectmen Meeting
November 9, 2021
10 a.m.
Town Hall Meeting Room & via Zoom webinar
APPROVED MINUTES

1. Welcome and Pledge of Allegiance

The meeting was called to order at 10:07 a.m.

   a. Attendance:

      a. First Selectman Fred Camillo - Present
      b. Selectwoman Lauren Rabin – Present
      c. Select-person Jill Oberlander – Present

2. Approval of minutes

   a. Regular meeting Sept. 9, 2021

      Postponed until next meeting.

   b. Regular meeting Oct. 28, 2021

      Ms. Oberlander made a motion to amend the minutes to reflect certain corrections she read into the record. Upon a second by Ms. Rabin, the amendment was approved unanimously.

      Upon a motion by Ms. Rabin and a second by Ms. Oberlander, the amended minutes were approved unanimously.

   c. Special meeting Oct. 28, 2021

      Upon a motion by Ms. Rabin and a second by Ms. Oberlander, the minutes were approved unanimously.

3. First Selectman’s Updates

   Mr. Camillo thanked the Town Clerk, Registrars of Voters, poll workers and voters who participated in the November 2 election. He has met with incoming Selectwoman Janet Stone McGuigan and said some future Board meetings will be
held at night and in conjunction with neighborhood association meetings. He also highlighted several upcoming events.

4. Selectmen’s Updates

Selectwoman Rabin also thanked the selectmen opponents and voters; congratulated Ms. Stone McGuigan and thanked Ms. Oberlander for her service. She also gave updates on expanding membership of the Selectmen’s Nomination Advisory Committee, and creating staggered terms for the Housing Trust Fund, and Citizens Police Advisory Committee.

Select-person Oberlander congratulated her colleagues and Ms. Stone McGuigan. She provided updates on the Sustainability Committee and the Food Shed Network and referenced the two Town Hall displays that illustrate how to improve environmental footprint.

5. Old Business

a. Municipal Improvement request for the Greenwich High School entry upgrade (second read) – Building Committee Chair Steve Walko and Timothy Nanzer, project architect, Silver Petrucelli & Associates.

Mr. Walko said that the building committee met with the Selectmen’s Energy Management Advisory Committee to discuss energy efficiency with the new vestibule, including LED lighting and radiant heating.

Ms. Rabin made a motion to approve the Municipal Improvement request. Upon a second by Ms. Oberlander, the motion was approved unanimously.

6. New Business

a. Request for conflict waiver – Assistant Town Attorney Aamina Ahmad.

Ms. Ahmad explained that the firm of Murha Cullina has had a 10-year relationship with The Nathaniel Witherell (TNW) nursing home on regulatory issues. The firm recently hired a new partner who represents some Town property owners who appeal tax assessments. The firm is requesting a conflict waiver as the tax appeal work is unrelated to the regulatory work performed for TNW. She said the Law Department is comfortable with the waiver.

Ms. Rabin made a motion to approve the waiver. Upon a second by Ms. Oberlander, the waiver was approved unanimously.
b. Use of parks property for right-of-way purposes at Glenville and Pemberwick roads – DPW Senior Civil Engineer Gabriella Circosta-Cohee.

Ms. Circosta-Cohee provided a presentation of the project which involves shifting 425 square feet along Glenville and Pemberwick roads to create a wider turning radius and sidewalks at the intersection which will become signalized.

Ms. Rabin made a motion to approve the right-of-way use and upon a second by Ms. Oberlander, the motion was approved unanimously.

c. Greenwich Affordable Housing Trust Fund (first read) – Planning & Zoning Chair Margarita Alban.

Ms. Alban explained under the ordinance approved by the Representative Town Meeting, there is a 90-day window to submit a declaration of trust which lays out the operational factors of the trust. They are working with the Law Department and a lawyer who drafted a similar declaration for the City of Stamford to address potential statutory and tax issues. She said the trust fund fiduciary is Comptroller Pete Mynarski.

7. Appointments/Nominations

There were none.

8. Adjournment

At 10:53 a.m., Ms. Rabin made a motion to adjourn. Upon a second by Ms. Oberlander, the motion was approved unanimously.

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Fred Camillo, First Selectman

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Prepared by Barbara A. Heins,
Recording Secretary