

**REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14, 2018 AT 7:30 P.M.
LOWER LEVEL MEETING ROOM AT TOWN HALL**

UNAPPROVED MINUTES

Present:

First Selectman James Zeoli
Selectman Mitchell Goldblatt
Selectman Ralph Okenquist
Selectman John Carangelo
Selectman Judy Williams
Selectman Paul Davis

Town Counsel Vincent Marino
Mary Shaw, Secretary
John Cifarelli, Finance Director
Patrick O’Sullivan, Town Clerk

The meeting was called to order at 7:33 PM by First Selectman Zeoli. The fire exits were noted and the Pledge of Allegiance recited followed by the roll call.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

(2 minutes per person)

Selectman Goldblatt reminded residents about the upcoming Recycling Committee Shredding Day Event scheduled for Saturday, April 28, 2018 taking place at High Plains Community Center from 9:00 AM – noon. Mattresses will be collected at this time too. If someone would like a mattress picked up, it can be arranged and the cost would be \$10. Mattresses must be outside the house and dry. This event is sponsored by the Rotary Club and is free to all residents. Donations for the Rotary Club Scholarship fund will be accepted during the event as well.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

First Selectman Zeoli made the following announcements:

- **Friday, March 16, 2018:** The Orange Lions Club will be hosting its Spring Wine Tasting Event at St. Barbara's Church from 6:30 – 9:30 PM. Tickets are available by calling 203-795-3906 (Marianne Miller) or by stopping by Wine & Liquor Outlet located at 528 Boston Post Road. Tickets are \$35 each.
- **Saturday, March 24, 2018:** The Lions Club Annual Easter Egg Hunt will take place at the Fairgrounds. The Easter Bunny will arrive at 12:30 P.M. and the egg hunt begins at 1:00 P.M. The rain date is March 31, 2018 at the same time. This event is free of charge.
- **Friday, March 30, 2018:** All Town Offices will be closed in observance of Good Friday. The transfer station will remain open.
- **Wednesday, April 4, 2018:** The State DOT will hold a Public Information Meeting at the Town Hall beginning at 7:00 P.M. The purpose of the meeting is to present the recommended layout and design to improve the interchange on Route 15 at Route 34.
- **Saturday, April 28, 2018:** The Recycling Committee Shredding Day Event will take place at HPCC from 9:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.
- **Independence Day Fireworks and Concert:** The 2018 Independence Day Concert and Fireworks will be Sunday, July 1st with a rain date of Monday, July 2nd at the fairgrounds.
- **Upcoming Holidays** - First Selectman Zeoli wished residents a Happy St. Patrick's Day, Passover and Easter.

MINUTES

On a motion made by Selectman Goldblatt, seconded by Selectman Williams and unanimously carried, *the Board approved the minutes of the February 14, 2018 Regular Meeting of the Board of Selectmen.*

NEW BUSINESS

1. **2019 Historic Preservation Grant** – Town Clerk, Patrick O’Sullivan, gave an overview on some of the things this grant has paid for in the past mostly to do with archiving records. *On a motion* made by Selectman Williams, *seconded by Selectman Carangelo and unanimously carried, the Board approved the resolution which allows the Town Clerk to apply for the 2019 Historic Preservation Grant.*
2. **Resolution with Respect to the Authorization, Issuance and Sale of not Exceeding \$4,000,000 Town of Orange General Obligation Refunding Bonds** - John Cifarelli, Finance Director, presented some background information regarding the timing of this request and the savings that would result in the sale of these bonds. *On a motion* made by Selectman Williams, seconded by Selectman Davis and unanimously carried, *the Board approved the Resolution with respect to the Authorization, Issuance and Sale of not exceeding \$4,000,000 Town of Orange General Obligation Refunding Bonds.*
3. **Greater Bridgeport Regional Recycling Interlocal Agreement** – First Selectman Zeoli gave a summary of what this agreement entails as it relates to the delivery of municipal recyclables to one or more resource recovery facilities from several local municipalities including Orange. *On a motion* made by Selectman Goldblatt, seconded by Selectman Carangelo and unanimously carried, *the Board approved to allow First Selectman James M. Zeoli to sign the Greater Bridgeport Regional Recycling Interlocal Agreement on behalf of the Town of Orange.*
4. **Application for Recognition of Supplemental First Responders Status** – The Board discussed this request and several questions were raised. The Board decided more time was needed to research this application and how it would impact the Town. *On motion* made by Selectman Williams, seconded by Selectman Goldblatt and unanimously carried, *the Board tabled item #4 under New Business until the April 11, 2018 Board of Selectmen meeting.*
5. **License Agreement between the Town of Orange and Ed Oberg d/b/a Ashford Restoration of Connecticut and Daniel Shields d/b/a 18th & 19th Century Recycling of Massachusetts** – First Selectman Zeoli explained the license agreement involves the dismantling, salvaging and reclaiming of the Finer Home located at 445 Turkey Hill Road. *On a motion* made by Selectman Goldblatt, seconded by Selectman Williams and unanimously carried, *the Board approved the license agreement between the Town of Orange and Ed Oberg d/b/a Ashford Restoration of Connecticut and Daniel Shields d/b/a 18th & 19th Century Recycling of Massachusetts.*
6. **March Tax Refunds** – *On a motion* made by Selectman Okenquist, seconded by Selectman Williams and unanimously carried, *the Board approved the March Tax Refunds totaling \$54,176.15.*

COMMITTEES

1. **Pension Board** – Selectman Goldblatt stated that the next Pension Board meeting will take place tomorrow night, March 15, 2018.
2. **Capital Planning** – Selectman Okenquist gave no report.
3. **Bond Construction Oversight** – Selectman Goldblatt said the Committee is moving forward with the Derby-Milford Road Bridge project as scheduled with the assumption the money from the State will be forth coming. He also reported the Committee held a Special Meeting on 3/5/18 at HPCC which involved Dan Lynch and Sue VonRabonstein from Park & Recreation Department. They discussed some minor changes with the design of the pool locker rooms and the overall renovation schedule which is due to begin late August and will last 4 to 6 months. The Committee also requested support from the First Selectman regarding the challenges being faced on the electrical side of the project. First Selectman Zeoli stated he met with UI to discuss different options to address these particular issues involved with this project.
4. **Personnel** – First Selectman Zeoli gave no report.

On a motion made by Selectman Okenquist, seconded by Selectman Carangelo and unanimously carried, *the Board adjourned at 8:22 P.M.*

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Shaw
Secretary to the Board of Selectmen