



Town of Orange, Connecticut

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**PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE NEIGHBORHOOD
ASSISTANCE PROGRAM APPLICATION AND THE REGULAR MEETING OF
THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 12, 2019
TOWN HALL
LOWER LEVEL MEETING ROOM
7:30 P.M.**

APPROVED MINUTES

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Patricia B. O'Sullivan
TOWN CLERK

Present:

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| First Selectman James Zeoli | Selectman John Carangelo |
| Selectman Mitchell Goldblatt | Selectman Judy Williams |
| Selectman Paul Davis | Mary Shaw, Secretary |
| Selectman Ralph Okenquist | Howard Dragonoff, Action Enterprises |
| Hershy Hecht, NH Hebrew Day School | |

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

On a motion made by Selectman Okenquist, seconded by Selectman Williams, *the regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen was adjourned and the Public Hearing was convened.* All voted in favor.

PUBLIC HEARING

Application for the Neighborhood Assistance Program from the State of Connecticut Department of Revenue Service for funding of \$150,000 for the New Haven Hebrew Day School

The secretary read the notice of public hearing.

Hershy Hecht, New Haven Hebrew Day School, spoke about the application and what the funds would be used for at the school.

On a motion made by Selectman Williams, seconded by Selectman Carangelo, *the Public Hearing was adjourned and the regular meeting was reconvened.* All voted in favor.

VOTE

- Neighborhood Assistance Program Application submitted by the New Haven Hebrew Day School for funding for \$150,000. *On a motion* made by Selectman Williams, seconded by Selectman Goldblatt and unanimously carried, *the Board voted to approve on accepting the Neighborhood Assistance Program Application submitted by the New Haven Hebrew Day School for funding in the amount of \$150,000.*

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

(2 minutes per person)

- Selectman Williams acknowledged the interruption of OGAT service that was reported in the Indian River Road neighborhood. She was happy to share that the issue was resolved.
- Selectman Goldblatt spoke about the recent Recycling Committee event that took place on June 10th. He stated that it was quite interesting and well attended.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Friday, June 14, 2019: 63rd Annual Amity High School Commencement Exercise will take place. Best wishes to all our high school graduates from Amity as well as graduates from our Town that attended private high schools.
- June is Dog License Month: Residents who own dogs should obtain their yearly dog license from the Town Clerk before June 30th.
- Orange Farmer's Market: Will begin on Thursday, June 27th at the Orange Fairgrounds from 3:30 – 7:00 PM. Please visit www.FarmMarketOrange.com to see a list of the local farmers who are participating and the items they will be selling. The Farmer's Market will be open every Thursday until September 26th.
- Friday, July 5, 2019: Town of Orange Independence Day Concert and Fireworks Display will take place at the Orange Fairgrounds. The concert band will be and will begin at 6:30 P.M. with the fireworks display to follow at 9:30 P.M. Rain Date is July 6th. The suggested parking donation will be \$5.
- Thursday, July 4, 2019: All Town Offices and Transfer Station will be closed on Thursday, July 4th in observance of the Independence Day holiday.

- Congratulations to Karen Goldberg who will retire on Friday, June 14th after 37 years of service to the Town of Orange.

MINUTES

- Minutes of the May 13, 2019 Special Meeting of the Board of Selectmen - *On a motion* made by Selectman Okenquist, seconded by Selectman Williams and unanimously carried, *the Board approved the minutes for the 5.13.19 Special Meeting.*
- Minutes of the May 15, 2019 Special Meeting of the Board of Selectmen - *On a motion* made by Selectman Okenquist, seconded by Selectman Goldblatt and unanimously carried, *the Board approved the minutes for the 5.15.19 Special Meeting.*
- Minutes of the May 21, 2019 Special Meeting of the Board of Selectmen - *On a motion* made by Selectman Williams, seconded by Selectman Davis and unanimously carried, *the Board approved the minutes for the 5.21.19 Special Meeting.*

NEW BUSINESS

1. Vending License for July 5, 2019 Fireworks Show – Howard Dragonoff, Action Enterprises, requested a vending license to sell novelties during the Independence Day Celebration on July 5, 2019. *On a motion* made by Selectman Goldblatt, seconded by Selectman Carangelo and unanimously carried, *the Board approved Howard Dragonoff's request for a vending license to sell novelties during the Independence Day Celebration on July 5, 2019.*
2. Three Orange Board of Education Capital Projects:
 - Intercom Speaker System Add-On for Lockdown Announcement: *On a motion* made by Selectman Carangelo, seconded by Selectman Okenquist and unanimously carried, *the Board approved the proposed add-ons for the OBOE intercom speaker system as presented with a total cost not to exceed \$35,000.*
 - Peck Place School Walk-In Cooler/Freezer: *On a motion* made by Selectman Davis, seconded by Selectman Okenquist and unanimously carried, *the Board approved the proposal from Connecticut Restaurant Services for a walk-in cooler/freezer for Peck Place School as presented with a total cost not to exceed \$50,000.*
 - Ceiling Tile Replacement for Turkey Hill School Library and Mary L. Tracy School Board Room: No action was taken on this item
3. Block Party in the Ox Yoke Road Neighborhood - *On a motion* made by Selectman Williams, seconded by Selectman Carangelo and unanimously carried, *the Board approved the request to hold a Block Party in the Ox Yoke Road*

neighborhood on August 24, 2019 pending the Orange Police Department's approval.


4. **Town Donation Towards the Independence Day Celebration** – *On a motion made by Selectman Carangelo, seconded by Selectman Williams and unanimously carried, the Board approved the Town Donation of \$8,000 towards the 2019 Independence Day Celebration.*
5. **Request to Approve the Tax Refunds for the Month of June** – *On a motion made by Selectman Okenquist, seconded by Selectman Davis and unanimously carried, the Board approved the tax refunds for the month of June in the amount of \$2,386.30.*

COMMITTEES

- **Capital Planning** – Selectman Okenquist gave no report.
- **Pension Board** – Selectman Goldblatt reported in 2018 the pension funds were down 6.7% overall but in the first quarter of 2019 they were up by 9.1%. As of 3.31.19, the funds totaled just a bit under \$24 million.
- **Bond Construction Oversight Committee** – Selectman Goldblatt gave an update on the following projects: HPCC South Wing Renovation Project and the Pool Locker Room Project.
- **Personnel** – Selectman Zeoli gave no report.

On a motion made by Selectman Okenquist, seconded by Selectman Williams and unanimously carried, the Board adjourned the regular meeting at 8:23 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Mary Shaw
Secretary to the Board of Selectmen