

**TOWN OF DARIEN
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
JANUARY 5, 2015**

ATTENDANCE: First Selectman Jayme Stevenson; Christopher (Kip) Hall,
Susan Marks, Gerald Nielsen, E. Reilly Tierney.

STAFF: Karl Kilduff, Administrative Officer.

CALL TO ORDER

First Selectman Stevenson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

FIRST SELECTMAN'S REPORT

First Selectman Stevenson read her report, as follows:

Hope everyone had a restful holiday season.

The Town of Darien has taken possession of 32 Hoyt Street and will be proceeding with additional hazardous materials testing and demolition planning.

On December 15, the BOS received a request from the Good Wives' River Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution to place a boulder with bronze plaque in the Town Hall Veteran's Circle honoring Revolutionary War Patriots. The DAR has applied for a grant from their National Chapter and will fund raise any additional funds needed for the boulder and plaque. I want to thank the DAR for their proposed gift.

For over 60 years, the Town of Darien has enjoyed a sister city cultural exchange program with Mercara (now called Madikeri) India. Tomorrow I will have the honor of meeting Mr. Kalengada Nanaiah, a representative from our sister city who is here in the US on business with Pitney Bowes and wishes to present a book titled "Vanishing Kodavas" — a cultural study of the Kodava people — to me for inclusion in our collection at the Darien Library. I will, in turn, present Mr. Nanaiah with a copy of Ken Reiss' book The Story of Darien Connecticut as a gift from Darien.

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

Mr. Kilduff reported that the parking renewal permit letter has gone out for the wait list confirmation and \$10 maintenance fee. First Selectmen Stevenson noted that the final date for renewals is January 15 with no exceptions.

Mr. Kilduff reported that Department heads are working on the budget preparation, which will be the focus for the month in accordance with the 2015-16 budget schedule.

PUBLIC COMMENT - None

NEW BUSINESS

Discuss Board of Selectman Input to Plan of Conservation and Development

There was a review of each section of the plan and discussion and an open dialogue and exchange of comments. It was suggested to incorporate general comments and recommended changes as follows:

- The consultant should reach out and spend time discussing the plan in greater detail with the Selectmen.
- Planning & Zoning should evaluate the recommendations of the 2006 plan to review progress and track achievements.
- Suggested add section to highlight potential hazards and possible mitigation strategies.
 - Incorporate emergency preparedness planning recommendations.
- Addition of a Computer Technology & Communications section to include:
 - Fiber-optics, power lines, cell tower, technology right of way.
- Disposition of Edgerton property is to be included.
- Planning & Zoning Annual Review and Evaluation.
- Dredging – Harbor and Pond
- Board of Education Enrollment Projections
 - New methodology noted with changes to birth rate modeling.
- Update of Flood Mitigation and Resource Progress
- Route 1 Corridor Study:
 - Traffic patterns, I-95 back-up avoidance,
 - Post Road/Tokeneke intersection modifications, toll technology.
- Parking Consultant Study
- Housing
 - Affordable Housing, Senior Housing, Disabled, ADA Compliance
 - Redevelopment Projects and Property Management
 - Land Use – more review needed
 - Modification of zone mapping in commercial zones

There was discussion on the role of the RTM. It was agreed to reach out and encourage active and thorough participation and review by the RTM of the Conservation and Development Plan.

AGENDA REVIEW – No additions.

Approval of Minutes

Regular Meeting of December 15, 2014

The following corrections were requested:

Page 2: Last paragraph replace Vicky with Vicki Riccardo.

Page 5: Paragraph 1, sentence 4: delete the first 'if' clause in between commas.

Page 7: Paragraph 3, delete sentence 3. Change sentence 4 to read: Ms. Marks noted the importance of deadlines. Delete sentence 5.

Page 8 Correct Zemchananakkis to Zabatakis.

Page 9: Paragraph 1: Move the beginning of sentence 3 to have sentence 2 to read: Mr. Cameron, a recent appointee of the Parking Study Task Force, noted they are close...

Secretary's note: It was suggested to follow the approved 'action minute format.'

**** MR. NIELSEN MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF DECEMBER 16, 2015 AS AMENDED WITH CORRECTIONS NOTED.**

**** MS. MARKS SECONDED THE MOTION.**

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS:

January 6, 2015 Planning & Zoning Commission Regular Meeting at 8:00 PM

January 12, 2015 Board of Selectmen Regular Meeting at 7:00 PM

January 13, 2015 Joint Department Heads Meeting at 8:30 AM

Adjournment

**** MR. HALL MOVED TO ADJOURN THE MEETING.**

**** MR. TIERNEY SECONDED THE MOTION.**

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Marilyn Knox,
Telesco Secretarial Services