

**TOWN OF DARIEN  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
REGULAR MEETING  
FEBRUARY 1, 2016**

**ATTENDANCE:** First Selectman Jayme Stevenson; Kip Koons, Susan Marks, Rob Richards, Marc Thorne

**STAFF:** Kathleen Clarke Buch, Town Administrator; Ed Gentile, Director of Public Works

**OTHERS:** Jim Cameron

**CALL TO ORDER**

First Selectman Stevenson called the meeting to order at 7:12 p.m. A quorum was present. She asked the Board of Selectmen to stand and recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Jim Cameron, 55 DuBois Street, Darien was the only speaker. He said he did some research and there rarely both email and phone contact information for many of the public officials on the Town of Darien website. He concluded 26 websites had no email contacts, 6 websites had email contacts and 2 (Board of Finance and Police Commission) had broken links. First Selectman Stevenson said it will be looked into.

**FIRST SELECTMAN'S REPORT**

First Selectman Stevenson said a meeting was held that morning about the Mather Center/Board of Education building project costs. She said they will be bringing the project costs and a request for additional funding to the RTM in April.

**TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

Ms. Buch reported that the Town website is under revision.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Discuss and Take Action to accept the gift of scoreboards from the Darien Little League and the Stisser Family and Refer Same to the Representative Town Meeting.**

**\*\* MR. KOONS MOVED TO ACCEPT THE SCOREBOARDS AND REFER TO REPRESENTATIVE TOWN MEETING.**

**\*\* MR. RICHARDS SECONDED.**

**\*\*THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

## **Transfers**

The first transfer discussed was for the acquisition of street lights from Eversource.

Mr. Gentile said Tanko Streetlighting Inc. will assist in the acquisition and retrofitting of the LED streetlights. Mr. Gentile will hear back from Eversource in 3-4 weeks with a purchase price for the lights.

### **\*\* MR. THORNE MOVED THE FOLLOWING:**

RESOLVED:

That the following transfer of appropriations is approved for referral to the Board of Finance.

The transfer is for \$16,000 from Infrastructure Reserve account no. 304410114-908805 to Street Light Acquisition account no. TBD.

**\*\* MR. KOONS SECONDED.**

**\*\*THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

The next transfer was an LOTCIP grant for parking capital at Norton Heights Train Station. The project will be \$250,000 with 80% coming from the Federal Government, 10% from the State and 10% from Darien.

### **\*\* MS. MARKS MOVED THE FOLLOWING:**

RESOLVED:

That the following transfer of appropriations is approved for referral to the Board of Finance.

The transfer is for \$25,000 from Capital Maintenance/Major Repairs Account No. 34848014-84025 to Norton Heights Access Study Account No. TBA.

**\*\* MR. KOONS SECONDED.**

**\*\*THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

The next transfer was for human services. Alexandra Ramsteck will be moved from part-time to full-time status. It will be reflected in the July budget.

### **\*\* MR. RICHARDS MOVED THE FOLLOWING:**

RESOLVED:

That the following transfer of appropriations is approved for referral to the Board of Finance.

The transfer is for \$16,774 from Part-Time Account No. 10501011-81002 to Full-Time Account No. 10501011-81001.

**\*\* MS. MARKS SECONDED.**  
**\*\*THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

A motion was made at this time to amend the agenda to hear two additional transfers.

**\*\* MR. RICHARDS MOVED TO AMEND THE AGENDA.**  
**\*\* MR. THORNE SECONDED.**  
**\*\*THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

A transfer request from the Norton Volunteer Fire Department was discussed next. The request was for unbudgeted recent repairs to Ladder 30.

**\*\* MR. THORNE MOVED THE FOLLOWING:**

RESOLVED:  
That the following transfer of appropriations is approved for referral to the Board of Finance.

The transfer is for \$6,914.40 from Board of Finance Contingency Account to Motorized Equipment Account.

**\*\* MR. RICHARDS SECONDED.**  
**\*\*THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

A transfer was also discussed for \$7,484.00 for repair work on Engine 32. The Engine was involved in an accident last year and the funds had lapsed.

**\*\* MS. MARKS MOVED THE FOLLOWING:**

RESOLVED:  
That the following transfer of appropriations is approved for referral to the Board of Finance.

**\*\* MR. RICHARDS SECONDED.**  
**\*\*THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

#### **AGENDA REVIEW**

There was not agenda review discussed.

#### **APPOINTMENT/RE-APPOINTMENT**

The following appointments were approved.

David Dever to the Costal Waters Advisory Commission for a 1-year term beginning on January 1, 2016 and expiring on December 31, 2016.

Eric Barret to the Costal Waters Advisory Commission for a 1-year term beginning on January 1, 2016 and expiring on December 31, 2016.

**\*\* MS. MARKS MOVED TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENTS OF MR. DEVER AND MR. BARRET.**

**\*\* MR. THORNE SECONDED.**

**\*\*THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

The following re-appointments were approved.

Karen Pollett to the Monuments and Ceremonies Commission for a 3-year term beginning on December 1, 2015 and expiring on November 30, 2018

Robin Woods to the Commission on Aging for a 3-year term beginning on April 1, 2015 and expiring on March 31, 2018.

**\*\* MR. RICHARDS MOVED TO APPROVED THE RE-APPOINTMENTS OF MS. POLLETT AND MS. WOODS.**

**\*\* MR. THORNE SECONDED.**

**\*\*THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

### **FORTHCOMING MEETINGS**

February 9, 2016, Board of Finance Regular Meeting 7:30 p.m.

February 22, 2016 Board of Selectman Regular Meeting 7:00 p.m.

February 22, 2016, Representative Town Meeting 8:00 p.m.

February 23, 2016, Board of Education Regular Meeting 7:00 p.m.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

**\*\* MS. MARKS MOVED TO ADJOURN.**

**\*\* MR. RICHARDS SECONDED.**

**\*\*THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

The meeting adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

G. Venuto  
Telesco Secretarial Services

Board of Selectmen  
February 1, 2016