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BOS – Minutes – 3.4.2024

The Board of Selectmen Regular Meeting minutes of March 4, 2024.

Present: Curtis Rand, First Selectman; Christian Williams, Selectman; Katherine Kiefer, Selectman; Emily Egan, Secretary; members of the press and public.

The meeting was **called to order** at 5:00pm.

C. Williams made a motion to **approve the agenda with the addition of #5d.** *“Resolution for Stephen Belter for Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Commission (IWWC)”* K. Kiefer seconded, and the motion was approved unanimously.

C. Williams made a motion to **approve the minutes of the February 5, 2024** Regular Meeting. K. Kiefer seconded, and the motion was approved unanimously.

First Selectman Report

C. Rand received official correspondence from the Land Use Administrator notifying the Board of Selectmen that the legislature adopted training requirements for Planning & Zoning and the Zoning Board of Appeals. The Statute lacks clarity regarding the how the training requirements should be implemented for those members who are not in compliance. The practical assumption would be for all members or newly elected members to complete the 4-credit courses within a calendar year.

New Business

- a. Guest Peter Gilbert announced that Salisbury Winter Sports Association (SWSA) will be making the effort to rebuild the 30-meter tower at Satre Hill.
- b. Guest Barbara Bettigole of TRAC gave an overview of the Sustainable CT program. TRAC requested that Salisbury and Sharon consider joining this program. There is no cost to join this program. Sustainable CT's innovative Community Match Fund provides fast, flexible funding and support to implement projects that align with our menu of sustainability actions. Unlike traditional funding programs, the Community Match Fund is focused on decreasing the hurdles faced by community leaders when applying for grants. TRAC's focus area would be on Food Waste Diversion & Composting Amplifier Fund. This fund supports projects that promote food waste diversion and composting. These projects can address food waste in a variety of ways in a variety of contexts. Projects could include school composting initiatives, home composting campaigns, municipal collection programs, food recovery and redistribution programs, and more. There are over 400 households participating in our food waste program. C. Williams made a motion that the Town of Salisbury join Sustainable CT. K. Kiefer seconded, and the motion was approved unanimously. TRAC will provide the Board of Selectmen with a resolution which they will need to approve to join Sustainable CT at an upcoming meeting. TRAC is also working on ways to promote a food waste prevention week at the local schools and policies for using the swap shop.
- c. The Selectmen discussed the Town's policy on food trucks. Food trucks have been traditionally used to augment temporary events such as Fall Festival, but conflicts can arise when food trucks frequent a community by taking away from brick-and-mortar food establishments or parking on private property.

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The Selectmen agreed that they cannot allow food trucks on a weekly or daily basis, wherever they want to be. Permission must come from the property owner and for town wide events only at this time.

- d. Stephen Belter has resigned from the Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Commission (IWWC), having served on the Commission since 1983. The Selectmen will work on a formal resolution thanking Stephen for his leadership and guidance on the Commission.

Old Business

- a. Boat Access and Hydrilla – The Selectmen continue to have discussions about hydrilla, boat access, and weed control at Lakeville Lake, Long Pond and Twin Lakes. It is hopeful that the DEEP East Twin boat launch will revert to cartop launching only, and the Lakeville Lake access at the Grove will be closed to public launching but all boats for fishing and other recreation will be available to the public. At this time the policy for Long Pond will be cartop access only, no trailer launching.

Selectmen's Reports

C. Williams mentioned the Salisbury Pathways Committee is finalizing the application to the CT DEEP – Connecticut Recreational Trails Program for the Salisbury Trails Connector. The application is due on March 11, 2024. This trail is purposed to be from the Appalachian Trail on Route 44 near Lion's Head Condominiums to the existing bike path.

K. Kiefer mentioned she is continuing to work with Maria Horn on multiple issues including on the speeding issues in Town. She reported that she has not received any reports from the Resident Trooper at this time.

K. Kiefer also mentioned working Frontier Communications on their initiative to connect high-speed internet/fiber optic through town.

Adjourn: 5:41pm