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THOMASTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN REGULAR MEETING TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2016

Roll Call:

Meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m.

First Selectman Mone, Selectman Perreault and Selectman Barrett, Sr. were present. Deborah Bournival, Administrative Assistant to the First Selectman, was available to take the minutes.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Approval of Minutes:

A motion was made by Selectman Perreault to approve the minutes of the August 16, 2016 regular meeting as presented. Motion was seconded by Selectman Barrett, Sr. With all in favor, motion carries.

Old Business/Road Improvement Plan Approval:

First Selectman Mone presented the proposed road reconstruction list. The following roads, which have become Group 1 on road reconstruction list, will be addressed first as they are part of the web project:

High Street
Sandford Avenue
Randolph Avenue
Judson Street
Walnut Street
Woodruff Avenue
Williams Street

Tracy Street
Bradstreet
Dudley Street
George Street
Terrace Road
Hotchkiss Street

Once we have completed this group and see what funds are still available, we can then make a determination as to what group we will move onto next.

Selectman Barrett, Sr. said that Fenn Road should be moved up on the list from Group 5 to at least Group 2 as it is a very narrow road in spots (very dangerous) and there is a lot of overgrowth which impedes visibility. Heavy trucks travel Fenn Road as there are businesses at the end of the road. Selectman Perreault wanted to know if widening roads was part of the proposal. First Selectman Mone indicated not necessarily, but only if they determine it is needed for traffic flow/safety issues.

A motion was made by Selectman Perreault to approve the "Proposed Road Reconstruction List" as presented. Motion was seconded by Selectman Barrett, Sr. With all in favor, motion carries.

New Business/Nystrom's Park Phase II:

Mike Burr, Chairman was in attendance to present. Also in attendance was Tim Olsen and Henry Osowiecki from the committee.

Mike highlighted the progress of the track project up to this point as follows:

- 2009 - began with initial plans of project and received commission appointed;
- 2010 - request for funding; received first Connecticut donation through Neighborhood Assistance Act (NAA) for engineering plans;
- 2012 - engineering studies and probable costs of project;
- 2014 - capital funding of \$75,000 and State of Connecticut funding of \$500,000

At this point, Phase I is done, with most punch list items now completed. We are now at a point to have the residents vote through a referendum as to whether or not they want us to move onto Phase II. Mike feels it is time for a public hearing to explain the details of the project to this point.

A motion was made by Selectman Barrett, Sr. to forward on to the Board of Finance for their recommendations. Motion was seconded by Selectman Perreault. With all in favor, motion carries.

The Board wanted to commend the committee on all its hard work.

New Business/Red Cross Agreement Approval:

A motion was made by Selectman Perreault to approve the Red Cross Agreement as presented. Motion was seconded by Selectman Barrett, Sr. With all in favor, motion carries.

New Business/Engineering Proposal Selection/Phase 1 of Road Improvement Plan:

Discussion ensued. It was agreed that Tighe & Bond be selected as the engineering firm for the road improvement plan as they were the lowest, qualified bidder.

A motion was made by Selectman Perreault to approve Tighe & Bond's revised engineering proposal dated August 30, 2016 for \$181,800 with a contingency of 10% to be added for an amount not to exceed \$200,000. Motion was seconded by Selectman Barrett, Sr. With all in favor, motion carries.

New Business/Motor Vehicle Fuel Usage Policy Renewal:

A motion was made by Selectman Barrett, Sr. to approve the renewal of the Motor Vehicle Fuel Usage Policy as presented. Motion was seconded by Selectman Perreault. With all in favor, motion carries.

New Business/Vehicle Use Policy Renewal:

A motion was made by Selectman Barrett, Sr. to approve the renewal of the Vehicle Use Policy as presented. Motion was seconded by Selectman Perreault. With all in favor, motion carries.

New Business/Seth Thomas Prayer Meeting Request:

A request came into the Selectman's Office to use Seth Thomas Park for a prayer meeting by the Mercy Sent Ministry/Lisa Durante. Discussion ensued. The Board decided to reject the request based on the fact that we have no idea how many people will be in attendance at this event as it is open to the public.

Board/Commission Appointments/Resignations – none.

Tax Refunds:

A motion was made by Selectman Barrett, Sr. to approve the tax refund submitted by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$116.93 to Milestone Marble and Granite LLC, taxpayer paid an extra installment on bill. Motion was seconded by Selectman Perreault. With all in favor, motion carries.

A motion was made by Selectman Barrett, Sr. to approve the tax refund submitted by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$385.33 to Jody Guerrero, bill deleted by Assessor after payment. Motion was seconded by Selectman Perreault. With all in favor, motion carries.

A motion was made by Selectman Barrett, Sr. to approve the tax refund submitted by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$1,907.24 to Daimler Trust, vehicle sold September, 2015 – bill deleted after payment. Motion was seconded by Selectman Perreault. With all in favor, motion carries.

A motion was made by Selectman Barrett, Sr. to approve the tax refund submitted by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$53.55 to Laura Simoes, bill was pro-rated by Assessor after payment was made online. Motion was seconded by Selectman Perreault. With all in favor, motion carries.

A motion was made by Selectman Barrett, Sr. to approve the tax refund submitted by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$72.91 to Barbara Barto, Assessor deleted bill after payment. Motion was seconded by Selectman Perreault. With all in favor, motion carries.

A motion was made by Selectman Barrett, Sr. to approve the tax refund submitted by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$317.47 to Motorlease Corporation, bill pro-rated by Assessor after payment. Motion was seconded by Selectman Perreault. With all in favor, motion carries.

Public Comment:

Lois Schenkel – thanked Selectman Barrett, Sr. for mentioning issues on Fenn Road.

A motion was made by Selectman Perreault to adjourn the meeting at 7:58 p.m. Motion was seconded by Selectman Barrett, Sr. With all in favor, motion carries.