

**MINUTES**  
**Board of Selectmen**  
**Tuesday, June 21, 2016 – 7:00PM**  
**Norma Drummer Room – Seymour Town Hall**

**COPY RECEIVED**  
**DATE: 6/23/2016**  
**TIME: 5:15 pm**  
**TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE**

**Members Present:** W. Kurt Miller, Annmarie Drugonis, Stephan Behuniak, Karen Stanek and Al Bruno.

**Members Absent:** Nicole Klarides-Ditria and Len Greene.

**Others Present:** Town Counsel, Brian LeClerc; Paul Wetowitz, Jamie Brennan, Sean Walsh, Michael Marcinek, Alex Danka, and Stanley Jachimowski.

**ITEM #1: Call meeting to order.**

Meeting was called to order by First Selectman, W. Kurt Miller, at 7:01 PM.

**ITEM #2: Pledge of Allegiance.**

Everyone saluted the flag and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ITEM #3: Public Comment.**

Jamie Brennan, 124 Bungay Road, stated his concerns with the tax abatements that were passed at the previous Board of Selectmen meeting. He asked about penalties for leaving the plan early.

John Conroy, 14 William Lane, commented on the tax incentive plan. He stated he was on the committee that worked on it and stated it is more comprehensive and updated. He stated there are penalties if someone leaves before the time period is up.

**ITEM #4: Approve minutes from June 7, 2016 regular meeting.**

Motion to approve minutes from June 7, 2016 regular meeting.

Motion: Annmarie Drugonis

Second: Karen Stanek

Vote: 5-Yes

0-No

0-Abstain

W. Kurt Miller – Yes

Stephan Behuniak – Yes

Annmarie Drugonis – Yes

Al Bruno – Yes

Karen Stanek – Yes

**ITEM #5: First Selectman's Report.**

None.

**ITEM #6: Discussion and take possible action regarding proclamation for Tony Ciccone.**

Karen Stanek read the following proclamation:

**WHEREAS,** Mr. Ciccone was a beloved teacher at Seymour High School who imparted his wisdom to hundreds of Seymour's students over his more than 20-year career; and

**WHEREAS,** Coach Ciccone loved soccer and shared his passion and skill with hundreds of young men and women on Seymour High School's teams; and

**WHEREAS,** Tony Ciccone was a treasured friend of so many colleagues, students and players and his intelligence, energy and sense of humor are dearly missed; and

**WHEREAS,** His impact in our community will endure and his memory will be cherished by the countless residents of Seymour whose life he touched; then be it therefore

**RESOLVED,** That I, W. Kurt Miller, First Selectman of Seymour, Connecticut do hereby proclaim Tuesday, June 21, 2016 to be a day of respect, recognition and remembrance for Tony Ciccone in the Town of Seymour.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and this 21<sup>st</sup> day of June, 2016 caused this seal to be affixed.

W. Kurt Miller  
First Selectman

Motion to accept the proclamation as read.

Motion: Annmarie Drugonis	Second: Stephan Behuniak	
Vote: 5-Yes	0-No	0-Abstain
W. Kurt Miller – Yes	Stephan Behuniak – Yes	Annmarie Drugonis – Yes
Al Bruno – Yes	Karen Stanek – Yes	

Motion to take a 5 minute recess.

Motion: Stephan Behuniak	Second: Karen Stanek	
Vote: 5-Yes	0-No	0-Abstain
W. Kurt Miller – Yes	Stephan Behuniak – Yes	Annmarie Drugonis – Yes
Al Bruno – Yes	Karen Stanek – Yes	

W. Kurt Miller called the meeting back to order at 7:16 PM.

**ITEM #7: Presentation form Permanent Building Committee.**

Mike Marcinek introduced the following Permanent Building Committee members: Paul Wetowitz, John Conroy, Alex Danka, Stanley Jachimowski, John Conroy and Town Engineer, Don Smith.

Mike stated the committee has spent the past year going through all of the town buildings to make sure they understood the buildings and their needs. He stated their task is to look at capital construction issues, major issues, which are long term in nature. They did various things in terms of evaluating the buildings. After evaluating 19 facilities in town, they came up with a priority list. There are three major buildings that need to be fixed immediately or within the next two years - Town Hall, Library and Police Station. He discussed the items of large expenditures, the estimates and the budget. They want to make sure the budget will take care of the buildings for the next 15-20 years. He discussed the oil tanks in town, specifically the abandoned ones. These are a priority because replacing a tank prior to it leaking will save the town a lot of money.

The selectmen and Mike Marcinek discussed the estimated costs for remediating the abandoned oil tanks. Mike explained that testing needed to be done to the tanks. Kurt stated they have been putting money aside for tank removal. Mike discussed the process of testing the oil and burning the soil.

Kurt stated they have 2 funding sources for the projects. One funding source is a reoccurring account that is now built into the budget that is slowly increasing. Currently there is \$150,000 in the account. They hope to add \$50-\$75,000 per year. The other funding source is from the debt service model which a 5 million dollar bond was built in. The plan is to put this out for referendum in the November election. If the town supports this, the work will be done in the spring. The Permanent Building Committee will continue to manage the projects. Don Smith is working with Suzanne Garvey for grants for the library windows.

Mike discussed their meeting with the Board of Education.

**ITEM #8: Discussion and take possible action regarding letter of approval for CT State Library grant for library construction.**



**WHEREAS**, diaper need, the condition of not having a sufficient supply of clean diapers to ensure that infants and toddlers are clean, healthy and dry, can adversely affect the health and welfare of infants, toddlers and their families; and

**WHEREAS**, national surveys report that one in three mothers experience diaper need at some time while their children are less than three years of age and forty-eight percent of families delay changing a diaper to extend their supply; and

**WHEREAS**, the average infant or toddler requires an average of 50 diaper changes per week over three years; and

**WHEREAS**, diapers cannot be bought with food stamps or WIC vouchers, and a monthly supply of diapers can cost as much as six percent of a full-time minimum wage worker's salary, therefore obtaining a sufficient supply of diapers can cause economic hardship to families; and

**WHEREAS**, a supply of diapers is generally an eligibility requirement for infant and toddlers to participate in childcare programs and quality early education programs; and

**WHEREAS**, the people of Seymour recognize that addressing diaper need can lead to economic opportunity for the State's low-income families and can lead to improved health for families and their communities; and

**WHEREAS**, Seymour is proud to be home to various community organizations that recognize the importance of diapers in helping provide economic stability for families and distribute diapers to poor families through various channels; now

**BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED** that I, W. Kurt Miller, First Selectman of the Town of Seymour, do hereby proclaim the week of September 26<sup>th</sup> through October 2<sup>nd</sup> 2016 as

**DIAPER NEED AWARENESS WEEK**

in the Town of Seymour and Encourage the residents of Seymour to donate generously to diaper banks, diaper drives and those organizations that distribute diapers to families in need to help alleviate diaper need in Seymour and environs.

Motion to accept the proclamation as presented.

Motion: Al Bruno

Second: Stephan Behuniak

Vote: 5-Yes

0-No

0-Abstain

W. Kurt Miller – Yes

Stephan Behuniak – Yes

Annmarie Drugonis – Yes

Al Bruno – Yes

Karen Stanek – Yes

**ITEM #11: Discussion and take possible action regarding potential endorsement of draft of Plan of Conservation and Development (POCD).**

Kurt read the following letter from Joseph Ziehl, Chairman of Planning & Zoning Commission:

Dear Mr. Miller,

The Seymour Planning and Zoning Commission hereby refers the proposed revision of Seymour's Plan of Conservation and Development to the Board of Selectmen as required by Section 8-23, CGS.

The Statute provides a 65 Day review period during which the Board may hold a public hearing on the plan and make any recommendations for revision. The Board may endorse or reject the plan or any part thereof.

The Commission would be happy to discuss the Plan with the Board and hopefully resolve any issues during this review period.

Very truly yours, Joseph Ziehl

Kurt stated the draft Plan of Conservation and Development is 112 pages long with an additional 8 pages of maps. The board members will be able to review it online. Representatives from Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments will be coming to the meeting on July 5<sup>th</sup>. Once they present to the board, the 65 day review period will begin. He stated they can hold a public hearing or two regarding this but it is not necessary.

Town Counsel, Brian LeClerc, stated the board needs to endorse or reject the plan or portions of the plan. He stated they will look at it to make sure everything is statutory mandated.

**ITEM #12: Discussion and take possible action regarding approval of proposed 2016-17 WPCA budget.**



Salary – Director – First Selectman - \$7,104.02  
Social Security - \$543.46  
Retirement - \$852.48

Motion: Al Bruno  
Vote: 4-Yes                      0-No  
W. Kurt Miller – Abstain  
Al Bruno – Yes

Second: Annmarie Drugonis  
1-Abstain  
Stephan Behuniak – Yes  
Karen Stanek – Yes

Annmarie Drugonis – Yes

Motion to approve Control #8 for the following transfer in the amount of \$7,597.83:  
\$7,597.83 from Public Works Vacuum Truck to  
Salary Regular employees - \$4,730.95  
Social Security - \$361.92  
Retirement - \$567.71  
Health Insurance - \$1,937.25

Motion: Al Bruno  
Vote: 5-Yes                      0-No  
W. Kurt Miller – Yes  
Al Bruno – Yes

Second: Stephan Behuniak  
0-Abstain  
Stephan Behuniak – Yes  
Karen Stanek – Yes

Annmarie Drugonis – Yes

Motion to approve Control #9 for the following transfer in the amount of \$40,000.00:  
\$40,000.00 from Public Works Vacuum Truck to Repairs and Maintenance.

Motion: Al Bruno  
Vote: 5-Yes                      0-No  
W. Kurt Miller – Yes  
Al Bruno – Yes

Second: Karen Stanek  
0-Abstain  
Stephan Behuniak – Yes  
Karen Stanek – Yes

Annmarie Drugonis – Yes

Motion to approve Control #10 for the transfer in the amount of \$8,110.00:

\$2,110.00 from Other Contingency  
\$6,000.00 from Other Contingency – Salary to  
Salary Regular Employees - \$6,778.00  
Social Security - \$519.00  
Retirement - \$813.00

Motion: Annmarie Drugonis  
Vote: 5-Yes                      0-No  
W. Kurt Miller – Yes  
Al Bruno – Yes

Second: Stephan Behuniak  
0-Abstain  
Stephan Behuniak – Yes  
Karen Stanek – Yes

Annmarie Drugonis – Yes

**ITEM #17: Correspondence.**

- May 2016 report form Public Works Director.
- Legal opinion regarding EMSOC.

**ITEM #18: Public Comment.**

None.

**ITEM #19: Selectmen’s Public Comments.**

Stephan Behuniak stated Pheasant Drive residents are concerned with oil coming up on the road.

Kurt will look into it.

Karen Stanek inquired about a list of when future roads will be repaired.

Kurt stated the report will be ready for the second meeting in July. There are 288 roads that are ranked and classified.

Karen inquired who picks our banners.

Kurt stated the Downtown Committee did and now the Economic Development Commission took that over.

Karen inquired if the Board of Selectmen members had any input on the banners chosen.

Kurt suggested going to an EDC Meeting.

Al Bruno congratulated the Seymour High School Girls Softball Team on their state title. He also congratulated Seymour Soccer U12 Soccer Team on winning a championship. He asked about the graffiti cleanup.

Kurt stated it gets cleaned up and only to be put back on. He stated some spots are on state roads.

Public Works did some painting on the walls in the Trestle Lot.

Al inquired how people can report graffiti.

Kurt stated people can write on the Facebook, call the First Selectman's office, call Public Works and/or go on the town's website.

Kurt deferred his comment to Sean Walsh regarding Gary Park.

Sean Walsh stated he has to confirm it but had discussed with residents of this town who have been in town for decades. They told him that road leading into Gary Park was named after the individual who built all of the homes on the road. The road was there long before the park was there.

**ITEM #20: Adjournment.**

Motion to adjourn at 8:14 PM

Motion: Annemarie Drugonis

Vote: 5-Yes                      0-No

W. Kurt Miller – Yes

Al Bruno – Yes

Second: Karen Stanek

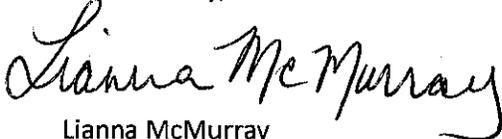
0-Abstain

Stephan Behuniak – Yes

Karen Stanek – Yes

Annmarie Drugonis – Yes

Submitted by,



Lianna McMurray  
Recording Secretary

Reviewed by,



W. Kurt Miller  
First Selectman