



**BOARD OF SELECTMEN SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**  
**Wednesday, August 29, 2018**  
**Town Hall Meeting Room 6:30 pm**

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – A meeting of the Board of Selectmen (BOS) was held on Wednesday August 29, 2018 at the Town Hall Meeting Room. First Selectman Hayden called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Selectman Ziobro and Selectman Doering were present.
2. **PUBLIC COMMENT** – None
3. **CORRESPONDENCE** – July General Government Financials, Recycling Update, CT Water Rates, Horizontal Curve Signs and Line Striping, Volunteer Fire Department Grant, Federal State & Local Tax Cap Information, Granbrook Park Walkway & Small Court Paving, August Economic Development Report, MDC Budget Workshop, Bonding Committee Special Meeting Minutes, Yankee Institute – Warning Signs: Assessing Municipal Fiscal Health in Connecticut, Police Officer Job Posting, Primary Results, July Police Blotter, CCM Annual Convention, Metacomet Small Cities Grant Extension, Displaced Student Guidance, Upcoming Water Pollution Control Authority (WPCA) Hearings
4. **MINUTES** – Selectman Ziobro made a motion to approve the August 8, 2018 minutes as presented. Seconded by Selectman Doering. **Motion Approved Unanimously.**
5. **OLD BUSINESS**
  - a. **Airport Noise update** – No new information to report.
  - b. **Seymour Road Traffic Update – Request to OSTA for Road Restrictions** – As requested by the First Selectman, the Windsor Legal Traffic Authority has sent a letter to CT OSTA supporting East Granby’s request to make Seymour Road a no thru truck zone. OSTA will now investigate the request.
  - c. **Tax Incentives** - The First Selectman has met with Representative Zawistowski for an update on the Bradley Development Zone (BDZ). The BDZ, modeled after Enterprise Zones in cities, was established by the State in 2013. The BDZ allows for a 5-year abatement of 80% annually to a qualified new or expanded East Granby companies personal property and real estate taxes. There are several requirements needed to qualify for the program which calls for the State to reimburse the town 40% of the tax abatement. The State has not funded their share of the reimbursement in FY18 and FY19. Representative Zawistowski indicated to the First Selectman that

February 2019 would be the earliest that the Legislature could revisit tax incentive funding.

- d. **Copper Hill Terrace Cul-de-sac Property** – The First Selectman has contacted the abutting land owner and has not heard back. He will reach out again to the abutting land owner to see if there is interest to purchase the 1/10<sup>th</sup> acre parcel.
- e. **5-Year Capital Plan** – The First Selectman reviewed the draft 5-year Capital Plan with the BOS. New items to the plan included painting the barns at East Granby Farms (FY19), Town Hall Cupola repair (FY19), new police vehicle (FY23). There was also a discussion regarding apparatus needs of the Fire Department and the best way to fund the needs. The First Selectman will invite the Fire Chief to the next meeting of the BOS. The BOS also discussed levels of funding for road maintenance, funding for a Village Center Plan, ways to repave the Greenway trail through community solicitation and a Senior Community Center kitchen upgrade.

## 6. NEW BUSINESS

- a. **Potential Bonding Project** – The First Selectman updated the BOS on the work of the Bonding Committee. The Committee wants to bring their recommendations forward to the Town in November 2018 for potential town action in February of 2019. This timetable would allow for school roof replacement in the summer of 2019. Overall project scope would include replacing the roofs at Allgrove School, the Middle/High School, Town Hall, Ambulance Building, Public Safety, Senior Community Center and the South End Fire Station. Additionally, the Committee is evaluating adding air-conditioning to the Allgrove School classrooms and upgrading the electric service at Allgrove. The school roofs would be eligible for a 45% reimbursement from the State. Architectural services will be needed for the school roofs, Community Center and Public Safety buildings and the First Selectman has notified the BOE that funding will be needed. If the Town approves a Bonding Project then any “upfront” architect expenses would be reimbursed by a bond.

The Committee is also evaluating road maintenance needs and costs. Currently approximately 22 miles of 37 miles of town roads are rated poor to fair. The Committee is also evaluating a comprehensive road maintenance plan which would include not only reconstruction but also a chip seal process which would add eight to ten years additional life to roads rated fair to good.

## 7. PUBLIC COMMENT – None

- 8. **EXECUTIVE SESSION** – Selectman Ziobro made a motion at 8:07 pm to enter executive session to discuss pending negotiations, litigation and personnel matters. Seconded by Selectman Doering. **Motion Approved Unanimously.** The Board of Selectmen exited executive session at 8:36 pm. No votes were taken
- 9. **ADJOURN** – Selectman Doering made a motion to adjourn at 8:37 pm. Seconded by Selectman Ziobro. **Motion Approved Unanimously.**