

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING

STRATFORD TOWN COUNCIL

October 26, 2009

THE STRATFORD TOWN COUNCIL CONDUCTED A SPECIAL MEETING ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2009 IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF TOWN HALL, 2725 MAIN STREET, STRATFORD, CT PURSUANT TO NOTICE DULY POSTED.

I. CALL TO ORDER: 7:30 p.m.

PRESIDING: Council Chairman Michael Henrick

COUNCIL MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Mr. Michael Julian, Mr. Gavin Forrester, Mr. John Dempsey, Mr. William Stroomer, Mr. Thomas Moore, Mr. Joseph Kubic, Mr. Michael Henrick

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: Mr. Alvin O'Neal, Ms. Emma Brooks, Ms. Amy Wanamaker

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Town Engineer John Casey, Town Attorney Richard Buturla, Finance Director John Norko.

II. RENEWAL OF PERRY HOUSE LEASE — 5-year. No Business furnished.

III. TOWN OF STRATFORD vs. LEONARD DUCKWORTH — No business furnished.

IV. US COAST GUARD LEASE OF LAND LOCATED AT BIRDSEYE BOAT RAMP. — No business furnished.

V. AWARD OF BARNUM AVENUE STREETScape PROJECT .

RESOLVED: That the bid of New England Concrete be accepted and the Mayor be and is hereby authorized to execute a contract with New England Concrete on the basis of their bid submitted for the performance of said work in accordance with the plans and specifications prepared by STV, Inc., and subject to the inspection and approval of the Town Engineer and Director of Public Works.

Mr. Julian recuses himself from voting and discussion on the foregoing matter. A MOTION WAS MADE BY MR. STROOMER SECONDED BY MR. KUBIC TO AWARD THE CONTRACT TO NEW ENGLAND CONCRETE FOR THE FOREGOING PROJECT. THE MOTION PASSED WITH 6 IN FAVOR, NO ONE OPPOSED, AND ONE RECUSAL (Mr. Julian).

VI. RECONSIDERATION OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY APPOINTMENT — October 13, 2009. Vacancy of Jackie Cooper.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MR. KUBIC SECONDED BY MR. FORRESTER TO RECONSIDER THE APPOINTMENT OF GLORIA STEWART LEE AS THE REPLACEMENT FOR JACKIE COOPER RE: THE HOUSING AUTHORITY. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

- VII. JUSTIN LoSCHIAVO ACCIDENT COST TO TOWN — A discussion of the requested information re: true costs (police officer call back time, overtime, legal fees, workers' comp.) ensued. Mr. Moore will resend an e-mail request to the Mayor for the information.
- VIII. STATUS OF REVALUATION OF REAL ESTATE — Mr. Norko stated that the information has not been finalized. Mr. Moore will resend his request.
- IX. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN APPLICATION TO THE CT COMMISSION ON CULTURE AND TOURISM IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$400,000 Mr. Henrick read the memo from the grants writer C. Kazanas into the record stating "based on the Council's decision at the October 13th meeting to table the resolution related to the Town's application to the CT Commission on Culture and Tourism's Historic Restoration Fund until the next special meeting on October 26th, the Grants Office is withdrawing the resolution. The deadline for the application is Oct. 30th, 2009. This leaves only 4 business days to obtain the resolution in time for inclusion with the application. Since the Council Clerk has up to 7 days to submit the minutes to the Town Clerk, I am concerned that we will not have the resolution in time, assuming the Council adopts the resolution at all."
- X. TOWN VEHICLE ACCIDENT REPORT/INFORMATION – PROVIDED BY MAYOR'S OFFICE — No information provided.
- XI. ADJOURNMENT — Hearing no further discussion in connection with the above agenda items or further business, the Chairman called for a motion to adjourn. ON A MOTION MADE BY MR. STROOMER, SECONDED BY MR. DEMPSEY, IT WAS VOTED UNANIMOUSLY TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 7:55 P.M.

ATTESTED BY:

Carol Cabral, Council Clerk