

**TOWN OF COLEBROOK
BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

MINUTES

Regular Meeting

Monday, May 8th, 2023

7:00PM

Selectman's conference Room

Board Members Present:

Christopher Johnstone
Kate Kennedy
Ernie Marmer (Arrived 7:45PM)

Board Members Absent:

(none)

Others Present

William Jasmin
Joshua Jasmin
Ed Finn

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00PM.
2. Public Comment: None
3. Road Foreman's Report: Bill Jasmin presented. There were no questions.
4. The minutes of the April 24, 2023 special meeting were distributed and read, there being no changes, they were accepted as presented.
5. On a motion by Chris Johnstone to appoint Scott Norton as "Town Historian", seconded by Kate Kennedy, motion passed by unanimous vote.
6. Paramedic Intercept: Selectman Johnstone discussed the Hartford Healthcare proposal and the letter of intent that was sent to HHC to enter into a contract for paramedic service. The other towns in the consortium all need to agree to the same terms listed in the contract. Once the other towns agree to the terms we will be able to sign the contract to secure paramedic services for FY 23/24.
7. Hale Property: Attorney Jean Stawicki, representing the estate of Lora Delaney, contacted 1st Selectman Chris Johnstone regarding the encroachment of the Colebrook Consolidate School athletic field on the Hale property. The attorney explained that the property will be listed for sale and would like to negotiate selling the 1.182 acre parcel that the school has encroached on to the town of Colebrook Attorney Stawicki has requested a copy of the deed, survey and any other information that would help in negotiating a sale of the property. Work is in progress to provide the requested information.
8. No Thru Truck Sign Request: A resident on Bricklemaier road has requested that "No Thru Truck" signs be placed at the intersections of Colebrook Road and Old Colebrook Road as well as Old North Road and Smith Hill Road. After a brief discussion Kate Kennedy made a motion to deny the request, seconded by Chris Johnstone. Motion passed by unanimous vote.
9. Legal Issues:
 - a. On a motion by Chris Johnstone, seconded by Kate Kennedy, to enter into Executive Session to discuss legal issues, motion passed, by unanimous vote.
 - b. Entered into Executive Session at 7:30PM. Exited Executive Session at 7:35PM on a motion by Chris Johnstone, Seconded Kennedy, motion passed, by unanimous vote.

- c. No motions were made and no votes were taken while in executive session.
10. Service Entrance Cable Re-imbusement Request: Discussion of Mr. & Mrs. White's request that the Town of Colebrook reimburse them for the cost (\$1,929.43) that they incurred to have their electrical service restored as a result of a tree falling on the service entrance cable that serves their house. A motion by Kate Kennedy to deny the request was seconded by Chris Johnstone, motion passed by unanimous vote.
11. Discuss Sandy Brook/Creamery Road Bridge Project: The project as of this date is on schedule, waiting for a delivery of Re-Bar. NJR has filed a notice of delay due to a delay in getting an Engineering approval for the Re-Bar.
12. Discuss Pinney Street Bridge Project: Dayton Construction has been awarded the project. A pre-construction meeting was held on April 27, 2023. Construction is expected to begin in August, a November completion date is anticipated.
13. The FY 22/23 Budget was reviewed. *Note: Ernie Marmer arrived at 7:45PM.
14. Tax Refunds: A motion was made by Ernie Marmer to approve tax refunds for (Nissan Infinity LLC \$139.55 and Shawn Bruey \$25.71), seconded by Kate Kennedy. Motion passed by unanimous vote.
15. Paid bills as presented.
16. Other Business:
 - a. Aden and Linda Ruwet have offered to pay for flags for the center of Town. They would like to see them installed on the utility poles. A motion was made by Chris Johnstone to approve this request, seconded by Ernie Marmer, motion passed unanimous. Chris Johnstone will check with Barkhamsted (Don Stein) and the Colebrook Historic district Commission for procedures.
 - b. Letter of Appreciation: William Jasmin was presented with a letter of Appreciation from Judy Palmer, Superintendent of Regional High #7. A copy of the letter will be placed in his Personnel File.
 - c. UCONN T-2 Green Snow Pro Training Certificates were presented to William Jasmin, Joshua Jasmin and Ed Finn, Selectman Johnstone and Kennedy congratulated them for completion of the course and copies of the training certificate will be placed in their personnel file.
 - d. Opioid Funds: Ernie Marmer Resolved that "Colebrook would participate in the Regional Opioid Response Fund managed by the Northwest Hills Council of Government". Chris Johnstone seconded the resolution, resolution passed unanimous vote.

On a motion by Chris Johnstone, seconded by Kate Kennedy, meeting adjourned at 8:15PM.

Respectfully Submitted,



Chris Johnstone, 1st Selectman