

**Board of Selectmen
Regular Meeting
Wednesday, April 12, 2023
Preston Town Hall
6:00 pm**

Call to Order

1st Selectwoman Sandra Allyn-Gauthier called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm

Roll Call

Sandra Allyn-Gauthier
Jerry Grabarek
Ken Zachem

Acceptance of Previous Meeting Minutes

March 22, 2023 – Regular Meeting

A motion was made by K. Zachem and seconded by J. Grabarek to approve the March 22, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes as amended.

All in favor. Motion carries.

Page 3, Grant Update; . . . it was noted that the Town has applied for over 12 million dollars and has received either been approved , pre-approved or recommended for approximately 10.5 million dollars
Page 3, Budget & Key Upcoming Dates; . . . a referendum ~~between May 18th and May 25th~~ on May 25th

Correspondence

1. Letter received from Aquarion Water Company re: Aquarion Environmental Champion Awards Program
2. CT Municipal Animal Control Officers Association re: Recognition to Patty and Mark Daniels for their dedication to their profession.

Reports

None

Appointments and/or Resignations

Reappointment to Parks & Recreation Commission for the following members:

Holly Gorman, five year term: 4/1/2023 – 3/31/2028

Danielle Wilcox five year term: 4/1/2023 – 3/31/2028

Katherine Iozzia five year term: 4/1/2023 – 3/31/2028

A motion was made by K. Zachem and seconded by J. Grabarek to reappoint to Parks & Recreation Commission;

Holly Gorman, five year term: 4/1/2023 – 3/31/2028

Danielle Wilcox five year term: 4/1/2023 – 3/31/2028

Katherine Iozzia five year term: 4/1/2023 – 3/31/2028

All in favor. Motion carries.

New Business

Grant Update

- Community Investment Fund, Poquetanuck Traffic Calming Plan; Approved by Bonding Commission; previously approved for \$400,000 by CIF Board and recommended to Bonding Commission.
- DEEP Recreational Plan; Approved for \$59,400
- Congressman Courtney approved Community Project Funding for \$279,000
- ~1 million Transportation Rural Improvement Program (TRIP) Grant for Mathewson Mill Project Approved at Executive Board level for SCOG.
- Applied for 2 Summer Enrichment Program Grants

Budget & Key Upcoming Dates Reminder

- BoF will Meet April 19th to continue workshops for BoS and BoE and on the 20th if needed
- Public Hearing April 27th
- Town Meeting May 11th
- Referendum May 25th

Solar Update

CT Green Bank building and grounds opportunities for solar

- PPMS
- PVMS
- Library - failed
- Town Hall - failed
- Public Works Garage
- Transfer Station and land behind it
- Preston City Fire Department
- Poquetanuck Fire Department - failed
- School House Road property

6 out of nine passed to move on to the next step in the process

S. Allyn-Gauthier questioned making adjustments to the Library and Town Hall and CT Green Bank agreed to re-evaluate.

Old Business

None

Tax Refund

None

Public Comment

BoS
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Andy Depta, Preston resident noted that a lot of the Minutes are not being posted and asked if the budget schedules will be posted on the Town web site.

S. Allyn-Gauthier answered yes

A. Depta noted that the company that did the Town's appraisals made incorrect assessments and he can't seem to find anyone who cares.

A. Depta noted that he has been trying to meet with the Assessor.

S. Allyn-Gauthier stated that she will ask the Assessor to call A. Depta.

Adjournment

A motion was made by K. Zachem and seconded by J. Grabarek to adjourn the meeting at 6:36 pm.

All in favor. Motion carries

Respectfully submitted,

RT Charpentier

Preston Recording Secretary

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