

THESE MINUTES ARE SUBJECT TO APPROVAL AT THE NEXT BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING

TOWN OF CHESTER, CONNECTICUT
BOARD OF SELECTMEN

SPECIAL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 5, 2022

CONDUCTED IN PERSON WITH ZOOM ACCESS AVAILABLE

Call to Order

Selectman Charlene Janecek called the meeting to order shortly after 7:00 P.M., and noted that in the absence of First Selectman Lauren Gister she would be chairing the meeting.

Present were Selectmen Charlene Janecek and Tom Englert; attending in person were Terri Englert, Kate Hair, Ron Amara, Joseph and Yvonne Janecek and Maggie and Max Janecek. There were approximately 50 participants in attendance via ZOOM as well.

Resignation of First Selectman Lauren Gister

On Motion made by Tom Englert, seconded by Charlene Janecek, the resignation of Lauren Gister as First Selectman of the Town of Chester, effective immediately following the close of the meeting, is accepted. The motion was unanimously approved.

Executive Session

On Motion by Tom Englert, seconded by Charlene Janecek, the Board of Selectmen unanimously voted to go into Executive session regarding personnel matters. (Time of motion to go into Executive Session is not indicated in the recording. However, recording indicates the Executive Session lasted approximately six minutes.)

Appointment of First Selectman

On Motion by Tom Englert, seconded by Charlene Janecek to appoint Charlene Janecek to fill the unexpired term of First Selectman, the term to expire November 2023, effective immediately. The motion was passed unanimously.

Audience of Citizens

Numerous people in attendance, both virtually via ZOOM and in person, spoke in support of both members of the Board of Selectmen, with one person also thanking resigned selectman Lauren Gister for her service to the Town of Chester.

Selectman Tom Englert explained the Board would next proceed with filling the now vacant position on the Board of Selectmen.

There being no further business on the agenda for the meeting, on motion by Tom Englert, seconded by First Selectman Charlene Janecek, the meeting was adjourned. (The meeting, including the time of the Executive Session, lasted approximately fifteen minutes.)

Respectfully submitted,

Bettie Perreault

Acting Clerk