

THESE MINUTES ARE SUBJECT TO APPROVAL AT THE NEXT BOS MEETING

TOWN OF CHESTER, CONNECTICUT  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
REGULAR MEETING  
Wednesday, March 9, 2022  
ZOOM Meeting

CALL TO ORDER

First Selectwoman Janecek called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. In attendance included First Selectwoman Janecek, Selectman Meehan, Chief Grzybowski, John Rissoto, Rick Nygard, BOF Chairman, and John Chillcock.

Charlene Janecek made a motion to add to the agenda a Dredging/Town Meeting discussion. Ed Meehan seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Ed Meehan made a motion to forward to a Town Meeting the release of funds (\$100,000) to facilitate the Chester Dredging project. Charlene Janecek seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Note that the appropriate account number will be listed on the Call to the Town Meeting as coordinated with the BOF and Finance Dept.

AUDIENCE OF CITIZENS – None.

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Ed Meehan made a motion to reappoint Eric Davison as a full member on the Inland Wetland and Watercourses Commission with a term to expire 11/18/25. Charlene Janecek seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Note that Mr. Davison is a Soil Scientist trained on the biology of wetland soils.

CAPITAL BUDGET

Capital Budget items will be discussed at this evening's joint BOS/BOF meeting. Ed Meehan suggested that a police vehicle and roads be part of that discussion. In addition, the "late" requests for Capital; i.e. Park & Rec. boardwalk and Library requests, will also be discussed.

The potential need for funds to facilitate a Phase III study on the 59 Winthrop Road property should also be considered. While there may be Brownfield Grants available for a project, they are reimbursable and funds would be necessary from the Town "up front".

WEBSITE PROPOSALS

Copies of website proposals (4) were included in the BOS packet. These proposals will be discussed further at a future BOS meeting after the Selectmen have had time to review same. John Chillcock, resident, offered to review the proposals as he has IT experience.

ARPA UPDATE

The ARPA Committee had a productive meeting on 3/8/22 and forwarded two items; IT and WPCA requests, for BOS and Town Meeting consideration. The Committee will review further the request from the Chester Community Partnership (Social Services needs).

SELECTMEN REPORTS

Charlene reported that she spoke to Atlas (Skyview property consultant). The Phase I and II at 59 Winthrop Road is complete. The contamination that was uncovered on the property is less than anticipated. Atlas is applying, on behalf of Chester, for funding to do a further assessment of the property. Brownfield funds for clean-up are available.

The Soup Kitchen thanked the Town for the \$10,000 donation for the purchase of a refrigerated truck.

AUDIENCE OF CITIZENS – None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Ed Meehan made a motion to approve the minutes from the 2/23/22 BOS meeting as presented. Charlene Janecek seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Ed Meehan made a motion to approve the minutes from the 3/2/22 BOS meeting as presented. Charlene Janecek seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Ed Meehan made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:19 p.m. Charlene Janecek seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Suzanne Helchowski  
Clerk