Board of Selectmen
Municipal Office Complex
Meeting Room 3
October 22, 2024
Special Meeting Minutes

Selectmen Present: I. Haines; T. Bourgoin Absent: E. Dill
Also Present: L. Zemienieski

1. First Selectman Haines called the Board of Selectmen's meeting to order at 5:18 p.m. and the attendees said the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Call for Town Meeting: Ms. Haines advised that items approved at previous meetings need to be moved forward to a Town Meeting.

   Motion made by Ms. Bourgoin, seconded by Ms. Haines, to approve the following call for Town Meeting:

   The electors and citizens of the Town of East Haddam, Connecticut qualified to vote in Town Meetings are hereby warned and notified that a Special Town Meeting will be held in the Municipal Office Complex, Meeting Room 1 & 2 located on 1 Plains Road in Moodus, Connecticut on Wednesday, November 6, 2024 at 8:00 p.m., for the following purposes, to wit:

   Item 1: To consider and act upon the recommendation of the Board of Selectmen and Board of Finance to accept a grant in the amount of $1,185.00 from the Connor Meaney Young Memorial Fund at the Community Foundation of Middlesex County for the purpose of supporting the 2024 summer camp ice cream truck event (revenue account 28045-44709-R1099 and expense account 28045033-56900-R1099).

   Item 2: To consider and act upon the following resolution as recommended by the Board of Selectmen and the Board of Finance:

   > RESOLVED: That a grant in the amount of $2,899.74 is hereby accepted from the US Department of Treasury State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds through the Secretary of the State (revenue account 33050-43000-G2101 and expense account 33055011-58820-G2101) for the purpose of costs related to implementing and conducting early voting upon the terms and conditions set forth in an Agreement between The State of Connecticut, Office of the Secretary of the State and the Town of East Haddam.

   Item 3: To consider and act upon the recommendation of the Board of Selectmen and the Board of Finance to accept a grant in the amount of $2,666.62 from the US Bureau of Justice Assistance, Patrick Leahy Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant Program (revenue account 33050-43000-G3201 and expense account 33055011-58820-G3201).

Item 4: To consider and act upon the recommendation of the Board of Selectmen and the Board of Finance to accept a grant in the amount of $15,000.00 from the State of Connecticut, Department of Economic and Community Development, Community Investment Account (revenue account 33050-43000-G3101 and expense account 33055011-58820-G3101) for the consulting services of a community planning firm to facilitate visioning workshops for the redevelopment of the former Town Office Site, 1 & 7 Main Street, East Haddam, upon the terms and conditions set forth in an Assistance Agreement between The State of Connecticut, Acting by the Department of Economic and Community Development and the Town of East Haddam.

Item 5: To consider and act upon the recommendation of the Board of Selectmen to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLVED: Pursuant to Chapter 130, of the Connecticut General Statutes, and the "Town of East Haddam Ordinance to Create the East Haddam Redevelopment Agency for the Development of the Former Town Office and Garage Property and Certain Surrounding Properties" the Board of Selectmen hereby reappoints Caitlin Taylor and John Cotter, electors of the Town of East Haddam, to the Town of East Haddam Redevelopment Agency, to serve for 5 year terms expiring August 31, 2029, and subject to approval of a Town Meeting.

Item 6: To consider and discuss (but not vote on) the following resolutions:

I. AMENDMENT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN INCREASE IN THE APPROPRIATION AND THE AMOUNT OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS AND NOTES OF THE TOWN TO FINANCE SAID APPROPRIATION FROM $4,150,000 TO $6,200,000 FOR THE HVAC IMPROVEMENTS AND CHILLER REPLACEMENT PROJECTS

II. AMENDMENT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN INCREASE IN THE APPROPRIATION AND THE AMOUNT OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS AND NOTES OF THE TOWN TO FINANCE SAID APPROPRIATION FROM $2,800,000 TO $2,944,387 FOR THE NATHAN HALE-RAY HIGH SCHOOL TRACK AND FIELD ATHLETIC COMPLEX PROJECT

The full text of the foregoing authorizing resolutions are on file and open to inspection at the office of the Town Clerk, Municipal Office Complex, Moodus, Connecticut for the use or inspection of any interested person.

All electors and persons eligible to vote in town meetings of the Town are hereby further notified that pursuant to Section 7-7 of the Connecticut General Statutes, as amended, the Board of Selectmen of the Town has removed the above items from the agenda of this Special Town Meeting for submission to the voters for vote by voting machine. The questions to be voted upon are as follows:

I. "Shall the resolution entitled, 'AMENDMENT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN INCREASE IN THE APPROPRIATION AND THE AMOUNT OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS AND NOTES OF THE TOWN TO FINANCE SAID APPROPRIATION FROM $4,150,000 TO $6,200,000 FOR THE HVAC IMPROVEMENTS AND CHILLER REPLACEMENT PROJECTS', be approved?
Yes _____ No _____"

The ballot label for said question shall read as follows:

"Shall the Town of East Haddam increase its appropriation and the amount of general obligation bonds and notes to finance said appropriation from $4,150,000 to $6,200,000 for the HVAC improvements and chiller replacement projects?
Yes _____ No _____"

II. "Shall the resolution entitled, 'AMENDMENT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN INCREASE IN THE APPROPRIATION AND THE AMOUNT OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS AND NOTES OF THE TOWN TO FINANCE SAID APPROPRIATION FROM $2,800,000 TO $2,944,387 FOR THE NATHAN HALE-RAY HIGH SCHOOL TRACK AND FIELD ATHLETIC COMPLEX PROJECT', be approved?
Yes _____ No _____"

The ballot label for said question shall read as follows:

"Shall the Town of East Haddam increase its appropriation and the amount of general obligation bonds and notes to finance said appropriation from $2,800,000 to $2,944,387 for the Nathan Hale-Ray High School Track and Field Athletic Complex Project?
Yes _____ No _____"

The vote on said items will be conducted on Tuesday, November 19, 2024, during the hours from 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Municipal Office Complex, 1 Plains Road, Moodus, Connecticut. Absentee ballots will be available from the Town Clerk's Office. Voters approving the resolutions will vote "Yes" and voters opposing the resolutions will vote "No".
Unanimous aye.

3. Adjournment: There being no additional business to discuss, a motion was made by Ms. Bourgoin, seconded by Ms. Haines, to adjourn the meeting at 5:25 p.m.

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Respectfully submitted,
Irene Haines, First Selectman