

**BOROUGH OF FENWICK
BOARD OF WARDEN AND BURGESSES
SPECIAL MEETING
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2016 AT 4 PM**

APPROVED

Present: Warden Fran Adams, Frank Keeney, Jonathan Gengras, Pam Christensen, Valerie Bulkeley, Ethel Davis, General Manager Larry DeBlasiis, ZEO/LUA Marilyn Ozols.

Also Present: Bill Webster, Robert Boody, Daryl Aresco.

The Warden called the Meeting to order at 4 PM.

The Warden then asked for a Moment in Silence in memory of two neighbors who had passed away who had enormous impact on the Fenwick Community.

January 19, 2016: Martha Soper

February 18, 2016: Lafayette Keeney-Three Term Warden

The Floor was open for Public Comment. No one spoke.

**A Motion was made by Valerie Bulkeley seconded by Frank Keeney to accept the Minutes from the January 8, 2016 Minutes as presented.
PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

General Manager's Report

The financial results year to date are still forecasting a year end surplus.

Crab Creek Bridge- A DEEP COP request was made for the repairs last week. The COP will be valid for three years and the projected cost of the project is between \$35,000-40,000.

Pier- A request has been made to extend the COP for repairs. The extension would only be valid for one year and if the work is not completed the Borough would have to complete another COP. The West side of the Pier will need patching repairs each year at a cost of around \$4000.

1st and 9th Fairway Project- A Presentation was made by Daryl Aresco detailing the project. The goal is to improve drainage on the 1st and 9th fairways. It will improve drainage but not totally eliminate the water problem. The engineering report states that there will be no additional impact as a result of this project on the adjacent residences along the 1st fairway. The work would be completed after Labor Day taking two weeks for construction and then two additional weeks to sod the areas.

A Motion was made by Frank Keeney seconded by Ethel Davis to fund the request for work on the 1st and 9th Fairways based on a presentation made on February 19, 2016 with a total budget of \$45,360 with \$25,360 to be funded by the Borough and contingent on funding with a \$20,000 from the FIF in fiscal year 2017.

FOR: None

AGAINST: Davis, Gengras, Christensen, Keeney

ABSTAIN: Bulkeley

MOTION FAILS.

A Motion was made by Jonathan Gengras seconded by Pamela Christensen to approve the regrade work on the 1st and 9th Fairways.

FOR: Davis, Gengras, Christensen, Keeney

AGAINST: None

ABSTAIN: Bulkeley.

MOTION PASSES.

The Warden will put in writing a request to FIF that the 1st and 9th Fairway Project has been approved by the Board of Burgesses and that the Board requests \$20,000 from the FIF to assist funding of the \$45,460 Project. The Borough will be responsible for the difference of \$25,360.

Discussion also took place concerning the Master Plan for the Golf Course and the request to further develop that narrative into a detailed plan with estimated budgeting. The cost for the Detailed Plan estimates to be \$10,000. This goal is to complete the plan in this fiscal year.

Board and Commission Reports

WHC Planting Project-

A Motion was made by Ethel Davis seconded by Valerie Bulkeley to approve the WHS Planting Project as presented contingent on FIF funding ie: \$4975 designated donation from Jennifer McCann and \$4040 for Storm (Irene/Sandy) related damage from the Hastings Storm Grant. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Daryl Aresco will inform Lynde Land Trust in writing of the work being done on land under easement.

A Motion was made by Valerie Bulkeley and seconded by Ethel Davis to request from the FIF Hastings Fund Grant \$12,325 for Tree Removal due to Storm Damage. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer was not present but submitted a Report.

Living Shoreline Committee Report-

Bill Webster handed out a Report from the Town that Reported the Findings from a Study of the Effects of Sea Level Rise and Climate Change on the Town of Old Saybrook. He also introduced the opportunity through Grant Funding (no cost to the Borough) to repair the Dunes on Sequassen Avenue to help mitigate flooding in that Area that is occurring on a regular basis.

The Hepburn Pond was also noted as an issue that could be adversely affecting the past Marsh Restoration Project if the drainage problem is not fixed.

ZBA- The Warden reported that Mr. Sciamie petitioned the court to get the right to appeal the decision that supported the ZBA decision. It could takes months for the court to make a decision and will continue to cost the Borough.

Lynde Point Land Trust- A March 5th meeting is schedule to discuss the draft of their Policies. The Treasurer has resigned. Ethel Davis has requested an easement be placed on a 45 foot strip of Land at her home to ensure scenic views.

P&Z- No report.

HDC- A Meeting is scheduled on March 5th. On the Agenda is the request to demolish the prior Gehman Home by Ethel Davis and the prior Lacey Home by Liz Plonka and Jack Gagne. The Sciamie and Pulvers also are seeking adjustments to plans on their homes.

A **Member Guest Committee** has been nominated and elected.

Ann Pulver-Chair; Scott Pulver, Kim and Frank Gilhool, Laurie and Bruce Goldsmith, Suzie and Bob Stanners.

The Date: August 5-7

Warden's Report

The Proposed Amendment to Municipal Election- The Town of Danielson has asked for the Borough to support an Amendment that they put forth to the legislature to provide the right for a Borough to choose their government in Annual Meeting format. The Warden will inform the Warden of Danielson that the Burgesses took no action on the recommendation.

Park Monitor-

A Motion was made by Valerie Bulkeley seconded by Ethel Davis to hire Tim McDonald as Park Monitor for the summer months and to further define his job description.

PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Larry DeBlasiis will offer the position to Mr. McDonald.

A Committee should be formed including the Junior Program Chairs to refine the job description for the Park Monitor. Mr. McDonald's input should also be included to see where he sees the benefit of his position to the Borough Community.

Land Use Fees- The ZEO/LUA, Marilyn Ozols informed the Warden that fees from Land use cannot be used for revenue.

Surveillance Cameras- The Burgesses determined that at this time they did not see a need; however, if an issue came up where they may be helpful they would consider their use.

UConn-Peter Miniutti- He has determined that through his research the Borough owes \$2200.

**A Motion was made by Frank Keeney seconded by Ethel Davis to resolve the invoice of \$2200 for final payment to UCONN in care of Peter Miniutti.
PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Larry DeBlasiis reported that Sue Baily of the DEEP has indicated that she does not encourage dredging South Cove.

As their being no further business, a Motion was made by Valerie Bulkeley seconded by Jonathan Gengras to close the Meeting at 6:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Julie G. LeBlanc