

TOWN OF BROOKLYN

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Board of Selectmen

Special Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, May 22, 2019

7:00pm Clifford B. Green Memorial Center

Present: Rick Ives, Joe Voccio, Wayne Jolley and Melissa Bradley; Recording Secretary

Also Present: Ken Dykstra, Lou Brodeur, Sandra Brodner, Aaron Kerouack, and Austin Tanner

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2019 MAY 23 AM 10:38
TOWN OF BROOKLYN, CT

1. **Call to Order:** Mr. Ives called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.
2. **Approve Minutes:** Joe Voccio made a motion to approve the minutes of 5/9/19 as presented. Wayne Jolley seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.
3. **Public Comment:** Aaron Kerouack requests the minutes of the last meeting, under public comment be amended. The minutes read: "Joe Voccio questions Aaron Kerouack and comments he made on social media implying wrong doing was done by the Town. Mr. Kerouack did not wish to comment." Mr. Kerouack would like the minutes to reflect that he stated he did not feel public comment was the appropriate time to discuss it. Mr. Voccio states he does not have an issue making that change. Because this is a special meeting, the agenda can not be revised, this will be on the next meeting agenda.
4. **Discussion on 2018/19 Financials:** Mr. Ives states the finance director started on Monday. A meeting with the auditors is scheduled for Tuesday.
5. **Discussion and Approve Resolutions for Solar Project:**
Joe Voccio made a motion to approve the RESOLUTION TO APPROPRIATE \$898,850 FOR THE BROOKLYN MIDDLE SCHOOL ROOF-MOUNTED SOLAR PHOTOVOLTAIC PROJECT AND THE AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS, NOTES OR TEMPORARY NOTES IN THE SAME AMOUNT TO FINANCE SAID APPROPRIATION and approve the RESOLUTION TO APPROVE BROOKLYN MIDDLE SCHOOL ROOF-MOUNTED SOLAR PHOTOVOLTAIC PROJECT RESOLUTION FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING. Wayne Jolley seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0. Complete resolution attached with the minutes.

Joe Voccio made a motion to approve the RESOLUTION TO APPROPRIATE \$903,405 FOR THE BROOKLYN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ROOF-MOUNTED SOLAR PHOTOVOLTAIC PROJECT AND THE AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS, NOTES OR TEMPORARY NOTES IN THE SAME AMOUNT TO FINANCE SAID APPROPRIATION and approve the RESOLUTION TO APPROVE BROOKLYN

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ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ROOF-MOUNTED SOLAR PHOTOVOLTAIC PROJECT RESOLUTION FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING. Wayne Jolley seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0. Complete resolution attached with the minutes.

6. Approve Annual Town Meeting Resolution and Set Date:

Joe Voccio made a motion to approve the RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$762,147 AND A BOND AUTHORIZATION OF \$629,647 FOR THE 2019-2020 CAPITAL FUNDING PROGRAM and approve the RESOLUTION TO APPROVE 2019-2020 CAPITAL FUNDING PROGRAM RESOLUTION FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING. Wayne Jolley seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0. Complete resolution attached with the minutes.

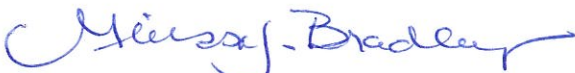
Wayne Jolley made a motion to approve the WARNING OF ANNUAL TOWN MEETING JUNE 3, 2019. Joe Voccio seconded the motion. The meeting will be held at 7pm in the middle school auditorium. Motion passed 3-0. Complete warning attached with the minutes.

7. Set Town Meeting Date for Veterans Exemption & Purchase of Community Center: Rick Ives made a motion to set a town meeting on June 20th at 7pm in the Clifford B. Green Memorial Center meeting room to approve the Veterans Exemption and Purchase of Community Center. Wayne Jolley seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

8. Approve Bills: Wayne Jolley made a motion to approve bill voucher #1105 in the amount of \$73,332.49. Joe Voccio seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0. Wayne Jolley made a motion to approve bill voucher #1106 in the amount of \$2,020. Joe Voccio seconded the motion. This separate voucher was to pay vendors for Family Fun Day on Monday. Motion passed 3-0.

9. Adjourn: Wayne Jolley made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Joe Voccio seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 7:21pm.

Respectfully Submitted;



Melissa J. Bradley
Recording Secretary

TOWN OF BROOKLYN
BOARD OF SELECTMEN

RESOLUTION TO APPROPRIATE \$898,850 FOR THE BROOKLYN MIDDLE SCHOOL
ROOF-MOUNTED SOLAR PHOTOVOLTAIC PROJECT AND TO AUTHORIZE THE
ISSUANCE OF BONDS, NOTES OR TEMPORARY NOTES IN THE SAME AMOUNT
TO FINANCE SAID APPROPRIATION

RESOLVED, that the Board of Selectmen recommends that the Town of Brooklyn appropriate \$898,850 for the Brooklyn Middle School roof-mounted solar photovoltaic project.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the appropriation may be expended for construction costs and materials, equipment, purchase costs, legal fees, financing costs, and other costs related to the project. The appropriation shall include any federal, state or other grants-in-aid received for the project. The Board of Selectmen may reduce the scope of any project if funds are insufficient to complete the entire project, and the entire appropriation may be spent on the reduced project.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Selectmen recommends that the Town finance the project by issuing the Town's bonds, notes, temporary notes or other obligations in an amount not to exceed \$898,850 or so much thereof as may be necessary after deducting grants to be received for the project.

TOWN OF BROOKLYN
BOARD OF SELECTMEN

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE BROOKLYN MIDDLE SCHOOL ROOF-MOUNTED
SOLAR PHOTOVOLTAIC PROJECT RESOLUTION FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN
MEETING

WHEREAS, the Board of Selectmen has recommended that the Town of Brooklyn appropriate \$898,850 for the Brooklyn Middle School roof-mounted solar photovoltaic project, and that the Town finance said appropriation by issuing the Town's bonds, notes, temporary notes or other obligations in an amount not to exceed \$898,850, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Finance recommended this appropriation and bond authorization at its meeting held on May 22, 2019.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the attached detailed appropriation and bonding resolution for the project is hereby approved and shall be submitted to the Annual Town Meeting to be held on June 3, 2019 in accordance with the attached Warning of Annual Town Meeting, which is also hereby approved.

TOWN OF BROOKLYN
BOARD OF SELECTMEN

RESOLUTION TO APPROPRIATE \$903,405 FOR THE BROOKLYN ELEMENTARY
SCHOOL ROOF-MOUNTED SOLAR PHOTOVOLTAIC PROJECT AND TO
AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS, NOTES OR TEMPORARY NOTES IN THE
SAME AMOUNT TO FINANCE SAID APPROPRIATION

RESOLVED, that the Board of Selectmen recommends that the Town of Brooklyn appropriate \$903,405 for the Brooklyn Elementary School roof-mounted solar photovoltaic project.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the appropriation may be expended for construction costs and materials, equipment, purchase costs, legal fees, financing costs, and other costs related to the project. The appropriation shall include any federal, state or other grants-in-aid received for the project. The Board of Selectmen may reduce the scope of any project if funds are insufficient to complete the entire project, and the entire appropriation may be spent on the reduced project.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Selectmen recommends that the Town finance the project by issuing the Town's bonds, notes, temporary notes or other obligations in an amount not to exceed \$903,405 or so much thereof as may be necessary after deducting grants to be received for the project.

TOWN OF BROOKLYN
BOARD OF SELECTMEN

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE BROOKLYN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ROOF-
MOUNTED SOLAR PHOTOVOLTAIC PROJECT RESOLUTION FOR THE ANNUAL
TOWN MEETING

WHEREAS, the Board of Selectmen has recommended that the Town of Brooklyn appropriate \$903,405 for the Brooklyn Elementary School roof-mounted solar photovoltaic project, and that the Town finance said appropriation by issuing the Town's bonds, notes, temporary notes or other obligations in an amount not to exceed \$903,405, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Finance recommended this appropriation and bond authorization at its meeting held on May 22, 2019.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the attached detailed appropriation and bonding resolution for the project is hereby approved and shall be submitted to the Annual Town Meeting to be held on June 3, 2019 in accordance with the attached Warning of Annual Town Meeting, which is also hereby approved.

TOWN OF BROOKLYN
BOARD OF SELECTMEN

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE 2019-2020 CAPITAL FUNDING PROGRAM
RESOLUTION FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

WHEREAS, the Board of Selectmen has recommended that the Town of Brooklyn appropriate \$762,147 for the costs of the 2019-2020 Capital Funding Program, consisting of various capital projects for the Town and the Town Schools, and that the Town finance said appropriation by issuing the Town's bonds, notes, temporary notes or other obligations in an amount not to exceed \$629,647, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Finance recommended this appropriation and bond authorization at its meeting held on May 22, 2019.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the attached detailed appropriation and bonding resolution for the projects is hereby approved and shall be submitted to the Annual Town Meeting to be held on June 3, 2019 in accordance with the attached Warning of Annual Town Meeting, which is also hereby approved.

TOWN OF BROOKLYN
BOARD OF SELECTMEN

RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$762,147 AND A BOND
AUTHORIZATION OF \$629,647 FOR THE 2019-2020
CAPITAL FUNDING PROGRAM

RESOLVED, that the Board of Selectmen recommends that the Town of Brooklyn appropriate \$762,147 for the costs of the 2019-2020 Capital Funding Program, consisting of the following:

Town	Assessor Software Upgrade	\$15,000
Town	Green Memorial Center Mold Remediation	42,000
Town	Consultant for Plan of Conservation and Development	15,000
Town	Snowblower attachment	7,500
Town	Dumptruck	170,000
Board of Education	Network Upgrade	155,435
Town	Community Center Plantings	8,000
Board of Education	Technology Software	247,712
Town	Bush Hog Mower	13,000
Town	Town Hall Site Design	45,000
Town	Fire Marshal Vehicle	22,000
Board of Education	Facility Vehicle	21,500
TOTAL		<u>\$762,147</u>

The appropriation may be expended for construction costs and materials, equipment, purchase costs, legal fees, financing costs, and other costs related to the projects. The appropriation shall include any federal, state or other grants-in-aid received for the projects. The amount authorized to be expended for each purpose shall not exceed the amount set forth opposite each purpose, provided that the Board of Selectmen may, after approval of the Board of Finance, transfer unexpended funds among purposes, so long as the total appropriation and bond authorization is not increased. The Board of Selectmen may reduce the scope of any project if funds are insufficient to complete the entire project, and the entire appropriation may be spent on the reduced project.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Selectmen recommends that the Town finance the projects by issuing the Town's bonds, notes, temporary notes or other obligations in an amount not to exceed \$629,647 or so much thereof as may be necessary after deducting grants to be received for the projects.

TOWN OF BROOKLYN
WARNING OF ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
JUNE 3, 2019

The electors and those persons eligible to vote in town meetings of the Town of Brooklyn, Connecticut, are hereby warned and notified that the Annual Town Meeting will be held at the Brooklyn Middle School Auditorium, 119 Gorman Road, Brooklyn, Connecticut, on June 3, 2019 at 7:00 P.M. for the following purposes:

ITEM 1. To choose a moderator for said meeting.

ITEM 2. To hear and act upon the General Town Government Budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2019 and ending June 30, 2020, in the amount of \$5,644,801, as recommended by the Board of Finance.

ITEM 3. To hear and act upon the Board of Education Budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2019 and ending June 30, 2020, in the amount of \$18,662,768, as recommended by the Board of Finance.

ITEM 4. To discuss and vote on a Resolution:

- (a) To appropriate \$762,147 for the costs of the 2019-2020 Capital Funding Program, consisting of various capital projects for the Town and the Town Schools;
- (b) To finance said appropriation by issuing bonds, notes, temporary notes or other obligations in an amount not to exceed \$629,647;
- (c) To authorize the First Selectman and Treasurer to determine the terms, conditions, and other details of the bonds, notes, temporary notes or other obligations;
- (d) To declare the Town's intent to finance the projects so that project costs may be temporarily advanced; to authorize the First Selectman and Treasurer to enter into agreements to bind the Town in connection with financing the projects; and to determine that, if necessary, financing of the projects on a taxable basis is in the public interest; and
- (e) To authorize the First Selectman and, if applicable, the Board of Education, to apply for and accept or reject grants-in-aid for the projects, and to authorize the First Selectman to execute agreements and other documents on behalf of the Town for the projects and the financing of the projects.

A copy of the full text of the Resolution is on file and available for inspection at the Offices of the Town Clerk and First Selectman, or on the Town's website at brooklynct.org.

ITEM 5. To discuss and vote on a Resolution:

- (a) To appropriate \$903,405 for the Brooklyn Elementary School roof-mounted solar photovoltaic project;
- (b) To finance said appropriation by issuing bonds, notes, temporary notes or other obligations in an amount not to exceed \$903,405;
- (c) To authorize the First Selectman and Treasurer to determine the terms, conditions, and other details of the bonds, notes, temporary notes or other obligations;
- (d) To declare the Town's intent to finance the project so that project costs may be temporarily advanced; to authorize the First Selectman and Treasurer to enter into agreements to bind the Town in connection with financing the project; and to determine that, if necessary, financing of the project on a taxable basis is in the public interest;
- (e) To authorize the First Selectman and Superintendent of Schools to execute agreements and other documents on behalf of the Town for the project; and that the Board of Selectmen, Board of Finance, Treasurer and other Town officials and employees are authorized to take all actions necessary and proper to carry out the project and to issue the bonds, notes, temporary notes or other obligations to finance the appropriation; and
- (f) To authorize the Board of Education to apply to the State of Connecticut Commissioner of Administrative Services and to accept or reject a grant for the Brooklyn Elementary School roof-mounted solar photovoltaic project.

A copy of the full text of the Resolution is on file and available for inspection at the Offices of the Town Clerk and First Selectman, or on the Town's website at brooklynct.org.

ITEM 6. To discuss and vote on a Resolution:

- (a) To appropriate \$898,850 for the Brooklyn Middle School roof-mounted solar photovoltaic project;
- (b) To finance said appropriation by issuing bonds, notes, temporary notes or other obligations in an amount not to exceed \$898,850;

- (c) To authorize the First Selectman and Treasurer to determine the terms, conditions, and other details of the bonds, notes, temporary notes or other obligations;
- (d) To declare the Town's intent to finance the project so that project costs may be temporarily advanced; to authorize the First Selectman and Treasurer to enter into agreements to bind the Town in connection with financing the project; and to determine that, if necessary, financing of the project on a taxable basis is in the public interest;
- (e) To authorize the First Selectman and Superintendent of Schools to execute agreements and other documents on behalf of the Town for the project; and that the Board of Selectmen, Board of Finance, Treasurer and other Town officials and employees are authorized to take all actions necessary and proper to carry out the project and to issue the bonds, notes, temporary notes or other obligations to finance the appropriation; and
- (f) To authorize the Board of Education to apply to the State of Connecticut Commissioner of Administrative Services and to accept or reject a grant for the Brooklyn Middle School roof-mounted solar photovoltaic project.

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Dated at Brooklyn, Connecticut this 22nd day of May, 2019.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Richard Ives
First Selectman

Joseph Voccio
Selectman

Wayne Jolley
Selectman