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Board of Selectmen Regular Meeting Agenda Thursday, April 25, 2019 6:30pm Clifford B. Green Memorial Center

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Approve Minutes: 4/11/19
- 3. Public Comment
- 4. Discussion on Resolution Opposing Tolls
- 5. Discussion on 2018-19 Budget
- 6. Adopt Fair Housing Resolution
- 7. Discussion on Town Meeting
 - **Veterans Exemption**
 - **Purchase of Community Center**
 - Solar Project Approval
- 8. Finance Department Update
- 9. Approve Bills
- 10. Other Business
- 11. Public Comment
- 12. Adjourn

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A Resolution Opposing Tolls in Connecticut

Whereas, the Governor and many members of the state legislature have signed support for the placement of tolls on Connecticut roadways; and

Whereas, many of the residents of Connecticut's Quiet Corner use these roadways each day for commuting, transacting business, and exploring the state they choose to call home; and

Whereas, the residents of Connecticut's Quiet Corner deserve, and the future prosperity of our entire state depends on the construction and maintenance of a superior transportation infrastructure, the costs of the implementation of such infrastructure should not be largely funded by those who can least afford to pay it, but instead by such mechanisms meant to relieve the citizenry of that burden; and

Whereas, there exists multiple funding sources established for the explicit purpose and use, to build and maintain our transportation infrastructure; and

Whereas, the implementation of tolls will result in a significant increase in the amount of traffic on municipal roads as out-of-state and resident drivers attempt to avoid this new tax burden; and

Whereas, the residents of Connecticut already pay more in taxes and fees than most residents in other states throughout this great country.

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Brooklyn is opposed to the implementation of tolls on its residents and urges its elected representatives in the State Legislature to oppose any measure that would impose tolls on our constituents.



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TOWN OF BROOKLYN FAIR HOUSING RESOLUTION

Whereas,

All persons are afforded a right to full and equal housing opportunities in the neighborhood of their choice; and

Whereas,

Federal Fair Housing laws require that all individuals, regardless of race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status or national origin, be given equal access to all housing related opportunities, including rental and homeownership opportunities, and be allowed to make free choices regarding housing location; and

Whereas,

Connecticut Fair Housing laws require that all individuals, regardless of race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, sex, marital status, age, lawful source of income, familial status, learning disability, physical or mental disability, sexual orientation, or gender identity or expression be given equal access to all housing-related opportunities, including rental and home ownership opportunities, and be allowed to make free choices regarding housing location; and

Whereas,

The **Town of Brooklyn** is committed to upholding these laws, and realizes that these laws must be supplemented by an Affirmative Statement publicly endorsing the right of all people to full and equal housing opportunities in the neighborhood of their choice.

Now Therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, That the **Town of Brooklyn** hereby endorses a Fair Housing Policy to ensure equal opportunity for all persons to rent, purchase and obtain financing and enjoy all other housing-related services of their choice on a non-discriminatory basis as provided by state and federal law; and

Be It Further Resolved, That the chief executive officer of the Town of Brooklyn or his designated representative is responsible for responding to and assisting any person who alleges to be the victim of an illegal discriminatory housing practice in the Town of Brooklyn and for advising such person of the right to file a complaint with the State

of Connecticut Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities (CHRO) or the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) or to seek assistance from the CT Fair Housing Center, legal services, or other fair housing organizations to protect his or her right to equal housing opportunities.

Adopted by the BOARD OF SELECTMEN on April 25, 2019

Leona A. Mainville, MMC