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**Board of Selectmen
Regular Meeting Minutes
Thursday, October 26, 2017
6:30pm Clifford B. Green Memorial Center**

Present: Rick Ives, Joe Voccio and Melissa Bradley; Recording Secretary
Bob Kelleher – absent with notice

Also Present: Delpha Very; Town of Putnam EDC Director, Lou Brodeur, Sandra Brodeur, David Fuss, Earl Starks, Aaron Kerouack, and WINY radio

1. **Call to Order:** Rick Ives called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.
2. **Approve Previous Minutes:** Joe Voccio made a motion to approve the previous minutes of 10/12/17 as presented. Rick Ives seconded the motion. Motion passed 2-0.

Rick Ives made a motion to amend the agenda to add Delpha Very to discuss the Tech Park between item # 3 and #4. Joe Voccio seconded the motion. Motion passed 2-0.

3. Public Comment: None

Tech Park - Proposals for an exclusive broker for the Tech Park went out and are due October 30th. There will be a flyover by a drone done on the site and it will be available on the website and available to link to Brooklyn's website. Mr. Rawson has made a proposal for phase 2 of the project. Phase two will not begin until phase 1 is completed. There is work being done on lot 4 due to the slope. There is also gravel on the property, and it will be tested to see what the grade of the gravel is.

Lots for sale in the Phase 1 Development area are:

Lot 3 – 2.3 acres with direct access to Technology Drive. It abuts the YMCA.

Lot 4- 22.6 with options to further sub-divide. Has direct access to Technology Park Drive and abuts the Air Line State Park Trail and a 19-acre Conservation Area to the north. There is a utility easement that runs the length of the entire lot. Alternative proposed development: Lot 4a – 17.5 acres; Lot 4b – 2.6 acres; and Lot 4c – 2.5 acres.

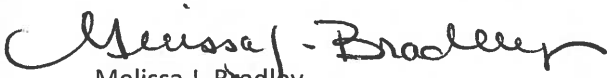
Ms. Very will keep the board up to date on developments.

4. **Appointments:** Emergency Management/Homeland Security - Mr. Ives reports there are four members up for renewal and three members do not wish to be reappointed; Thomas Gugliotti, Thomas Rukstela and Lou Brodeur. Mr. Ives would like suggestions for replacements. Rick Ives made a motion to reappoint Stephen Mylly as a regular member with a term expiring 10/27/2020. Joe Voccio seconded the motion. Motion passed 2-0.
5. **Discussion on 2017-18 Financials:** Reports sent to Selectmen. No discussion held.
6. **Discussion on 2017-18 Budget:** The senate adopted a budget today. About a 3% reduction overall or \$231,390. There are no municipal contributions required to the teacher's retirement system. Partial payment of ECS came in, we will receive the remainder payments. Brooklyn will be to the good if these numbers hold. Complete list of state budget numbers attached.
7. **Discussion on Town Meeting:** Town meeting will be on November 16th at 7pm in the middle school auditorium. The Ethics ordinance revision and Line of Credit will be on the call.
8. **Discussion on Small Cities Loan Disposition:** A small cities loan was given out several years ago and used for window replacements. The resident who took this loan is now looking to do a reverse mortgage. The mortgage company wants to subordinate our mortgage and if the Town signs this, we will most likely not get paid back. Rick Ives believes we can negotiate with the mortgage company but does not know a lot about the process. Joe Voccio states it would become taxable interest to the homeowner if it is released. Joe offers to talk with the mortgage company.
9. **Discussion on Finance Director:** The newly hired finance director will begin on November 1, 2017.
10. **Discussion on Fracking Waste:** No new updates. Joe Voccio offers help to revise the ordinance.
11. **Approve Bills:** Joe Voccio made a motion to approve the bills in the amount of \$35,299.16, voucher #1040. Rick Ives seconded the motion. Motion passed 2-0.
12. **Other Business:** No other business.
13. **Public Comment:** Sandra Brodeur questions if the shortfall from the school will be on the call of the Town Meeting? Mr. Ives states it should be and will speak with Mr. Otto.

Aaron Kerouack asks for clarification of the LOCIP funds. Mr. Ives explains the amount from the State this fiscal year will be added to account which currently has a balance that has not been used. This should allow for the last two roads listed for this year to be repaired, to be done. Mr. Kerouack also states Towns without a hospital may be impacted negatively with this proposal. This may be something to discuss with NECCOG eventually. Mr. Ives agrees.

- 14. Adjourn:** Joe Voccio made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Rick Ives seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 7:10pm.

Respectfully Submitted;

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Melissa J. Bradley". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Melissa J. Bradley
Recording Secretary

Adopted FY 18 State Budget Impact on: Brooklyn

The State Senate today adopted a biennial state budget. The State House is currently debating the proposal and is expected to adopt it shortly.

Below are statutory formula grant estimates for **Brooklyn**. Please see important notes at the end of the table.

More details on the FY 18 state budget and other legislation impacting municipal finance will be provided in the coming days. Grant estimates for FY 19 will also be provided shortly. Updates to state budget information will be available at www.ccm-ct.org.

Grant:	FY 17	Adopted FY 18	FY 18 v. FY 17	
	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(%)
Adult Education	33,138	32,494	- 644	- 1.9%
ECS Grant	6,975,373	6,626,604	-348,769	- 5.0%
LoCIP	0	130,553	130,553	
Pequot-Mohegan Grant	212,937	212,937	0	0.0%
PILOT: Colleges & Hospitals	0	0	0	
PILOT: State-Owned Property	111,376	79,919	-31,457	-28.2%
Town Aid Road	242,163	242,163	0	0.0%
Grants for Municipal Projects	10,379	10,379	0	0.0%
MRSF Supplemental PILOT	0	0	0	
MRSF Revenue Sharing	103,910	0	-103,910	-100.0%
Municipal Stabilization Grant	0	122,837	122,837	
Total	7,689,276	7,457,886	-231,390	- 3.0%

Notes

- There is no municipal contribution requirement to the Teachers' Retirement System.
- Special Education is funded as it has been, through the Excess Cost-Student Based grant.
- The motor vehicle mill rate cap will be 39 mills in FY 18 and 45 mills in FY 19. Reimbursement amounts due to the cap are listed under "MRSF Supplemental PILOT."
- The FY 18 Alliance District portion of ECS will be the amount above the FY 12 ECS amount for designated towns.

If you have any questions, please contact George Rafael at grafael@ccm-ct.org or 203-498-3063.