

**Board of Selectmen
Regular Meeting Minutes
Thursday, December 30, 2021
9:00am hybrid – via Zoom &
Clifford B. Green Memorial Center**

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In Attendance: Austin Tanner, Lou Brodeur, Joe Voccio, Sara Deshaies, Substitute Recording Secretary

Also in Attendance: Sandy Brodeur, Susan Wasstrom via telephone

1. **Call to Order:** Austin Tanner called the meeting to order at 9:00am.
2. **Approve Minutes:** Lou Brodeur made a motion to approve the minutes of 12/9/21 as presented. Joe Voccio seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0
3. **Public Comment:** None
4. **Appointments/Resignations**
 - **Conservation;** First Selectman appointment: Appoint Victoria Fradette, regular member, term 11/28/2022 – Appointed.
 - **Parks & Recreation:** Appoint James Warren, regular member, term 1/01/2026 – Passed 3-0
 - **Ag Commission:** Appoint Lachelle Rosinski, alternate member, term 1/14/2025 Lou Brodeur made motion to approve. Joe Voccio seconded. Motion passed 3-0
 - **Ethics:** Appoint Cara Coraccio-Bellantone, regular member, term 6/26/2023 – Lou Brodeur made a motion to appoint, Joe Voccio seconded. Motion passed 3-0
 - **Resignation:** IWWC; Jeff Arends – Lou motioned with regret to accept the resignation. Joe Voccio seconded. Motion passed 3-0
5. **Discussion on Financials:** No major changes.

6. **Discussion/Action State Homeland Security Grant Program Resolution:** Resolution received. Austin Tanner has an issue with CECCOG instead of NECCOG. Lou said CEGGOG is in charge of Region 4 and has dealt with them in the past. Issue resolved. Lou Brodeur made a motion to approve as presented. Joe Voccio seconded. Motion passed 3-0
7. **Discussion/Action on Ordinances: Smoking Ordinance & Purchasing Procedure:**

Smoking Ordinance: Lou Brodeur stated that the Coventry ordinances would be sufficient to adapt in Brooklyn. Discussion was had about smoke free properties as in schools and federally funded housing and how to enforce. The Town would have to rely on the property management as well as provide signage. Joe Voccio made a motion to accept procedure drafted by the Town attorney. Lou Brodeur seconded. Motion passed 3-0

Purchasing Procedure: A discussion was had to refer this issue to the Board of Finance before presenting to the Town. There should be a designee between BOF and BOS for notification purposes. Further discussion took place. Draft will be reworked and presented to commission heads before presenting to BOF before approval. Austin Tanner asked if that was good with everyone. Joe Voccio and Lou Brodeur said yes.
8. **Discussion on Ambulance Study Committee:** Austin Tanner suggested broadening the committee beyond the current four-person committee. Lou Brodeur suggested more people could be appointed. Discussion will carry over to next meeting. No decision made.
9. **Single Family Dwellings:** Report received. No discussion.
10. **Calls for Service:** No discussion
11. **Approve Bills:** Discussion was had about plotter bills in the Land Use Dept. Austin Tanner will ask Jana Roberson for clarification. Part time land use was coded wrong. Austin Tanner mentioned the need to remove Rick Ives' phone. Austin Tanner will discuss with Gabe Bryant. Lou Brodeur made a motion to accept voucher #1309 dated 12/30/21 in the amount of \$54,536.77. Joe Voccio seconded. Motion passed 3-0.
12. **Other Business: Lou Brodeur mentioned the new districting.** NECCOG is handling. Separate and different polling places, machines, ballots between districts. Discussion took place.

Joe Voccio asked if Eversource will still be taking limbs off lines. Joe Voccio said that Tommy Rukstela has hired someone to help. Austin Tanner said anyone with an inquiry should contact Tommy Rukstela. Lou Brodeur said Jeff Page is our tree warden. It's an ongoing effort.

Joe Voccio asked about the testing and mask distribution. Austin Tanner said he is not sure when they will be available and distributed. If the tests are received today, they could be given out tomorrow. Masks aren't available until Jan 6th. Discussion took place on distribution locations.

Austin Tanner mentioned he had discussion with an electrician about getting the entirety of the Clifford B. Green building on one generator.
13. **Public Comment:** Sandy Brodeur asked if there was a deadline for the generator grant. Austin Tanner said it's June. She also asked if the grant states the generator needs to be new. She also asked if the hot spot used on election day was ever found. Austin Tanner has reached out to Gabe Bryant.
14. **Adjourn:** Lou Brodeur made a motion to adjourn. Joe Voccio seconded. Motion passed 3-0. Meeting adjourned @10:25am.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sara Deshaies, Substitute Recording Secretary