

**Board of Selectmen  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
Thursday April 24, 2014  
6:30pm Clifford B. Green Memorial Center**

**Present:** Rick Ives, Bob Kelleher, Joe Voccio and Melissa Bradley; Recording Secretary

**Also Present:** Jeff Otto, Sandra Brodeur, Kim Conroy, Gene Michael Deary, Ken Dykstra, Tom Rukstela, Austin Tanner, Tony Falzarano, Scott Pempek, Doug Cutler, Owen Tarr, WINY and the Bulletin

1. **Call to Order:** Mr. Deary called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.
2. **Approve Previous Minutes:** Bob Kelleher made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from 4/10/2014 as presented. Joe Voccio seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.
3. **Public Comment:** None
4. **Presentation from Town of Putnam – Proposed Technology Park:** Presentation on proposed park given by Mr. Pempek. 62 acres of land was gifted to the Town of Putnam and 15 acres was then gifted to the YMCA. It is located off exit 95 on 395 and there will be a bridge built to access the park. The total cost of the project is 7.6 million with a 75% reimbursement if the Town has one partner buy in at 10%. Net cost is \$800,000 for Putnam and \$80,000 for the 10% buy in Town. There is a phase 2 of the project with the potential of an additional 15 lots. The buy in Town will receive tax revenue of 10% and 10% of the sale of the land. Discussion of purchase will be held further in executive session.
5. **Discussion on Peddlers, Solicitors & Salesmen Ordinance:** Mr. Ives presents the current ordinance to the Selectmen and the proposed change. Brooklyn charges the least for these permits than surrounding Towns. Currently there is no application fee and only \$10 permit fee. The Town Clerk suggests a \$20 application fee and \$80 permit fee. Mr. Ives asks the Selectmen to look it over and it will be discussed at the next meeting.
6. **Discussion on 2013-14 Budget:** No discussion held.
7. **Discussion on 2014-15 Budget:** The Board of Finance is meeting next Wednesday to begin finalization of the budget.
8. **Single Family Dwelling:** No discussion.
9. **Calls for Service:** No discussion.
10. **Other Business**
  - Tom Rukstela, Highway Foreman, comments on an earlier discussion regarding removal of snow on Town sidewalks; Mr. Rukstela is concerned this will take double the time and there is not enough or adequate equipment to do so. There were no additional people discussed and this will put a toll on the current highway employees who have been out plowing all night and then will have to plow sidewalks as well. Mr. Ives states they will discuss this further.

- Austin Tanner commends the Town of Putnam for their presentation. They have had this idea for years and did a good job presenting it.

**11. Approve Bills:** Bob Kelleher made a motion to approve the bills for discussion. Joe Voccio seconded the motion. There is a bill from the school for a fire alarm study that is questioned. Mr. Ives states this will be held until further discussion. Motion passed 3-0.

Joe Voccio made a motion to proceed to executive session at 7:54pm to discuss potential acquisition of partnership and invite the members of the Board of Finance. Bob Kelleher seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0. Executive session ended at 8:08pm.

Joe Voccio made a motion to allow the First Selectman to enter into negotiations with the Town of Putnam to join into their technology park. Bob Kelleher seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

**12. Adjourn:** Joe Voccio made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:08pm. Bob Kelleher seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

Respectfully Submitted;

Melissa J. Bradley  
Secretary