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BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
REGULAR MEETING  
MONDAY, JULY 7, 2008  
WILTON TOWN HALL, ROOM B

- PRESENT:** First Selectman William Brennan, Second Selectman Susan Bruschi, Selectman Hal Clark, Selectman Richard Creeth, Selectman Ted Hoffstatter
- GUESTS:** Joseph Dolan, Sarah Taffel, Steve Pierce, Chris Finkelstein, Cathy Pierce, Lizabeth Doty, Malcolm Whyte, Judy Zucker, Bruce Hampson, Jan MacEwan, Colleen Fawcett, Leslie Rogers, David Wilson, Caroline Wilson, Eileen Fitzgerald, Pat Hegnauer, Gerald Holdridge, Barbara Holdridge, Andrew Ragusa, Anthony Ragusa, Judy Mabley, Frank Mabley, Jan Andras
- OTHERS:** Brian Shea (Bulletin), Frank MacEachern (Villager)

Chairman Brennan called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

A. Consent Agenda

A MOTION was made by Ms. Bruschi, seconded and unanimously carried to approve the Consent Agenda as follows:

Minutes

- Board of Selectmen Regular Meeting – June 16, 2008
- Board of Selectmen Special meeting – June 26, 2008

Gifts

- Acceptance of a gift of two framed prints donated to the Town Clerk's Office by Joe Bonomo

First Selectman Brennan thanked Mr. Bonomo for his generous donation.

First Selectman Brennan then read a Statement from the Board of Selectmen (attached to minutes)

## B. Discussion and/or Action

### 1. Authorization for application for Grant – Wilton Youth Council

Selectman Clark moved to approve the application for the Local Prevention Council Grant in the amount of \$3,300. Motion seconded and unanimously carried.

### 2. Authorization for acceptance of Municipal Plan of Conservation and Development Grant

Selectman Clark moved the following - BE IT RESOLVED: That the Board of Selectmen hereby authorizes the application for the Municipal Plan of Conservation and Development Grant referenced in Section 13(a)(1) and Section 32(a)(1) of Public Act 07-7 (An Act Authorizing and Adjust Bonds of the State for Capital Improvements and for Transportation Infrastructure Improvements and Concerning The Connecticut State University Infrastructure Act.)

BE IT RESOLVED: That the Board of Selectmen identifies First Selectman William F. Brennan as the individual authorized to sign the grant application and administer the grant. Such application is attached and made a part of this record.

### 3. Comstock Community Center and Senior Center. Review of projected operating and capital costs.

Many people were present for discussion of the Comstock project. The Selectmen are concerned about the construction costs as well as the operating costs. They had requested an analysis for incremental costs that would occur based on the current proposal configuration. A copy of estimated staffing costs was received from the Senior Center and Parks and Recreation staff members.

A lengthy discussion followed with suggestions as to how to decrease costs associated with this project but no consensus was reached. Mr. Whyte suggested appointing a building committee and have them engage an architect/engineer to prepare a preliminary concept. The following was decided:

- The Board of Selectmen agreed to eliminate the elevated running track.
- Mr. Whyte, Ms. Zucker, Mr. Pierce, Mr. Hampson and Ms. Bruschi will get together with the First Selectman to decide on the next steps and to go over a list for a possible building committee.
- At the 7/21 Board of Selectmen meeting, members will vote to appoint a building committee and review the steps to go to the next phase.

## C. Public Comment – None noted

## D. Reports

First Selectman's Report

### AT&T

Mr. Brennan advised a resident notified him that she received a letter from AT&T about installing a large electrical box on a pole in front of her property. AT&T plans to install six of these VRAD equipment cabinets in Wilton. The Attorney General has advised that AT&T will be approaching towns but that towns and residents have a say in the matter. Bob Nerney and Tom Thurkettle looked at the proposed sites and found a number of things to which they object. Mr. Nerney has written a letter to AT&T, copying town counsel and the engineer, to put them on notice that we have objections. The Town does not want these boxes to be installed on poles, feeling that there are safety issues. It would be preferable to have them on concrete slabs, further back from the road, with landscaping.

### FAA Meeting

Mr. Brennan attended the FAA Town Hall meeting on July 1 in Norwalk. He feels this was an excellent meeting with many more citizens attending. Senator Dodd, Congressman Shays and Attorney General Blumenthal all attended and made very supportive comments. Wilton will be hosting the next Town Hall meeting, probably in September.

### Promotion – Doug Katz

Mr. Brennan advised that Doug Katz has been promoted to Parks & Grounds Supervisor, after working as grounds supervisor for many years.

### Selectmen's Reports

Ted Hoffstatter – stated that the PACE Land Use program thanks the Board of Selectmen for their endorsement of the program. He also attended the POCD meeting and felt that Planimetrics had some excellent ideas. There will be another meeting in September.

No other reports.

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:10 p.m.

Jan Andras, Recording Secretary