

Minutes
Easton Board of Selectmen
Regular Meeting November 2, 2023
7:30 PM
Town Hall Conference Room (In-Person)
And
Virtually via Zoom

Present: David Bindelglass, Robert Lessler, Kristi Sogofsky

1. Robert Lessler moved to approve the minutes of the Board of Selectmen meeting, October 19, 2023. Kristi Sogofsky seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
2. During public comment, Peter Howard, Town of Easton Building Official made it clear that there are no CT State Building Code Violations that pertain to the indoor riding rink located at 422 Sport Hill Road. The statements that were made publicly are false. Peter welcomed residents to contact him directly at Town Hall with questions.
3. Kristi Sogofsky moved to approve the following tax refunds as recommended by Krista Kot, Tax Collector. 1. VW CREDIT LEASING LTD - \$615.40. 2. VW CREDIT LEASING LTD - \$488.56. 3. CORELOGIC TAX SERVICE - \$105.51. 4. CORELOGIC TAX SERVICE - \$346.40. 5. CORELOGIC TAX SERVICE - \$170.64. 6. CORELOGIC TAX SERVICE - \$9,550.87. 7. CORRADO SPEZIALI - \$738.49. 8. TOYOTA LEASE TRUST - \$755.42. 9. TOYOTA LEASE TRUST - 423.95. 10. TOYOTA LEASE TRUST - \$551.92. 11. VCFS AUTO LEASING CO. - \$345.64. 12. VCFS AUTO LEASING CO. - \$860.11. 13. VCFS AUTO LEASING CO. - \$262.29. 14. VCFS AUTO LEASING CO. - \$297.51. 15. VCFS AUTO LEASING CO. - \$123.14. 16. TOYOTA LEASE TRUST - \$333.30. 17. TOYOTA LEASE TRUST - \$1,666.22. 18. ALLY FINANCIAL - \$312.76. 19. ENTERPRISE FM TRUST - \$495.27. Robert Lessler seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
4. State Representative Anne Hughes presented an Official Citation of Recognition to Robert Lessler for his many years of service to the Town of Easton.
5. During public comment, a resident shared that the former Planning & Zoning chairman's recent online disgraceful behavior posting the co-chair of Board of Ethics personal information and accusing her of unsubstantiated criminal offenses in retaliation for the ethics recommendation for him to be removed is criminal. She feels a public announcement from the Board of Selectman denouncing this hateful behavior towards a volunteer and offering their full support of the town and its resources is necessary. Another resident echoed the same and added his concern that the Planning & Zoning Commission have not met in six weeks. Many residents thanked Robert Lessler for his years of service to the town and Wendy Bowditch presented Bob with a gift on behalf of the RTC. Easton is Here to Help is collecting unused leftover Halloween candy for veterans at the library and the DTC booth on election day. Also on election day, please consider donating canned goods to the RTC booth to assist with the Senior Center's food drive.

6. David Bindelglass and Kristi Sogofsky thanked Robert Lessler for his years of service, guidance and knowledge. Robert Lessler appreciated everyone's comments and thanked past board members, town staff and volunteers for their support throughout the years. Kristi Sogofsky asked why the NEPC lease deadline was not met. David Bindelglass said he will have a final lease in the next couple of days. The Board of Selectmen were in agreement that Ray Martin's behavior is unacceptable and that they need to do everything they can to protect volunteers, staff and elected officials.
7. Robert Lessler moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:08pm. Kristi Sogofsky seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

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