

## MEETING MINUTES

Easton Board of Selectmen  
October 20, 2016 – 7:30 p.m.  
Town Hall Conference Room A

Adam Dunsby called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Adam Dunsby, Carrie Colangelo and Robert Lessler

1. Carrie Colangelo moved Bob Lessler seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the Easton Board of Selectmen Meeting of October 6, 2016. Motion passed unanimously.
2. No public comment.
3. Robert Lessler moved and Carrie Colangelo seconded a motion to approve the following tax refunds as recommended by Krista Kot, Tax Collector: 1. WHEELS LT - \$67.72; 2. NISSAN INFINITI LT - \$989.93; 3. NISSAN INFINITI LT - \$187.02; 4. TOYOTA LEASE TRUST - \$257.41; 5. JERRY C. GUYDEN - \$16.63. Motion passed unanimously.
4. Robert Lessler moved and Carrie Colangelo seconded a motion to approve the Authorizing Resolution as stated be it;  
RESOLVED, that the Board of Selectmen may enter into with and deliver to the State of Connecticut Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection, Division of Emergency Management and Homeland Security, any and all documents which it deems to be necessary or appropriate; and  
FURTHER RESOLVED, that Adam Dunsby, as First Selectman of the Town of Easton is authorized and directed to execute and deliver any and all documents on behalf of the Board of Selectmen and to do and perform all acts and things which he deems to be necessary or appropriate to carry out the terms of such documents which relate to the State of Connecticut Department of Emergency Services annual grant.  
Motion passed unanimously.
5. Carrie Colangelo moved and Robert Lessler seconded a motion to accept the resignation of John Broadbin from the Park and Recreation Commission with many thanks for his service. Motion passed unanimously.
6. Robert Lessler moved and Carrie Colangelo seconded a motion to appoint Robert Klem as a member of the Park and Recreation Commission for the unexpired term of 1/2/2015 – 1/2/2018. Motion passed unanimously.
7. **This agenda item was deferred to later in the meeting.** Discussion and update on the advisory opinion requested of the Planning and Zoning Commission pertaining to the request for the Town to provide land for and build a bus depot in the vicinity of Veteran's Field regarding the Bus Depot.

8. Adam Dunsby stated that the Employee Handbook had been sent to the Pension and Benefits Commission for review and upon approval of the Board will be put on the Selectmen's page on the website. Carrie Colangelo moved a motion and Robert Lessler seconded to accept and to approve the Employee Handbook with updated dates as noted. Motion passed unanimously.

**7. Deferred item:** Adam Dunsby read the letter dated October 19, 2016 from the Easton Planning and Zoning Commission regarding the requested advisory opinion regarding the site and/or sites for the proposed Bus Depot. Rob Maquat, chairman, stated it was the opinion of the Commission that the Veteran's Field location does **not** have the capacity to house 48 busses and 60 or so driver vehicles and that the alternate site, west of Samuel Staples Elementary School site, has the space required for the busses and cars. This site would also be able to accommodate a service and refueling facility either within the proposed parking lot or at the northerly portion of the school site in proximity to the entrance drive from Banks Road. Therefore, the proposed school bus storage and service facility as depicted on the August 15, 2016 map prepared by the Town Engineer is feasible and compatible with the Town Plan of Conservation and Development.

There was discussion regarding the need for a maintenance building. Edward Nagy created a comparison of the surrounding towns and found that only three towns have similar facilities. A maintenance building is estimated to cost over a half million dollars. There are challenges to the Bus Depot both in scope of project and funding since this could be the largest capital project since the building of the new SSES.

Adam Dunsby has met and followed up with representatives from Dattco. The Town is waiting to hear back from Dattco with estimates of the cost to the schools if the buses are parked at a location without a maintenance garage.

9. Adam Dunsby stated that the SSES new septic system has been activated. The DEEP had originally said that the system would have to be completely redone at the cost of several hundred thousand dollars. Ed Nagy of the Public Works Department, Polly Edwards our Health Official and the State Department of Health (not DEEP) came together to formulate a solution based on actual flow rates which are much lower than planned, and moved the project from the DEEP jurisdiction to the State Department of Health's jurisdiction, which allowed the project to afford substantial savings. Adam Dunsby continued saying, "Credit must go to Polly Edwards, Ed Nagy, Bruce Bombero and Peggy Sullivan for figuring out this cost effective solution."
10. Robert Lessler moved and Carrie Colangelo seconded a motion to adjourn at 8:30 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

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