

**MEETING MINUTES**  
Easton Board of Selectmen  
June 21, 2018  
7:30 PM

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

Present: Adam Dunsby, Kristi Sogofsky and Robert Lessler

1. Robert Lessler moved to approve the minutes of the Easton Board of Selectmen Special Meeting of June 1, 2018. Kristi Sogofsky seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
2. Several members of the public spoke against the recent proposal from Sacred Heart University to lease 18-22 South Park Avenue property.
11. Adam Dunsby suggested discussing agenda item 11 out of order to accommodate the members of the public in attendance. Adam Dunsby reported that John Petillo, President of Sacred Heart University first contacted him about two weeks ago to discuss the school's proposal to lease 18-22 South Park Property to build a baseball facility. The proposal is in the initial stages. The purpose of the current discussion is to make the Board of Selectmen and the public aware of the proposal. Since few details are known, Robert Lessler suggested bringing Sacred Heart back to present a more detailed proposal at a future meeting. Kristi Sogofsky agreed.
3. Robert Lessler moved to approve the following tax refunds as recommended by Krista Kot, Tax Collector: 1. CORELOGIC - \$490.00; 2. BARBARA FRANKLIN - \$111.06; 3. HEIDI LYNCH - \$227.00; 4. NISSAN INFINITI LT - \$485.73; 5. JOHN R. SCHUHARDT - \$134.61; 6. TOYOTA LEASE TRUST - \$216.96; 7. NISSAN INFINITI LT - \$533.47; 8. MARTIN LEVIN - \$298.57. Kristi Sogofsky seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
4. Kristi Sogofsky moved to approve the following driveway bond release as recommended by Bruce Bombero, Deputy Director of Public Works: ERIKA RACZ, permit #1606 for job location 344 Center Road, Easton, CT - \$3,000.00. Robert Lessler seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
5. Robert Lessler moved to approve the following road opening bond release as recommended by Bruce Bombero, Deputy Director of Public Works: ANNA SORFOZO, permit #1067 for job location 25 Drewbarrie Lane, Easton, CT - \$750.00. Kristi Sogofsky seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
6. Robert Lessler moved to resolve, that Adam Dunsby, First Selectman of the Town of Easton is authorized and directed to apply for and administer the Neglected Cemetery Account Program Grant. By administer, it means that the person duly authorized will have to sign the Notice of Grant Award and the Reimbursement Request form. Kristi Sogofsky seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
7. Kristi Sogofsky moved to refer the Morehouse Restroom Facility project to the Planning and Zoning Commission pursuant to Section 8-24 of the Connecticut General Statutes. Robert Lessler seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
8. Adam Dunsby updated the Board on Phase II of solar project behind SSES. Phase II should be operational in October 2018, however the attorney reviewing the contracts for this phase is advising that without a non-appropriations clause we may not be in compliance with CGS 7-348.
9. Pursuant to CGS 9-222, the Board of Selectmen appointed Kristi Sogofsky as the new selectman after the resignation of Carrie Colangelo. Subsequently and by the deadline of June 15<sup>th</sup>, petition pages were filed in the Town Clerks office requesting a Special Election to fill a vacancy on the Board of Selectmen. While working with the Registrars of Voters, the Town Clerk was able to certify 316 verified signatures as outlined

in a letter dated June 19, 2018 from Christine Halloran, Town Clerk. Robert Lessler moved to set the date of a Special Election for the Selectman's position to be Nov 6, 2018 at times and places congruent with the State Elections. Kristi Sogofsky seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

10. Robert Lessler moved to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing interest arbitration with IAFF. Kristi Sogofsky seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Executive Session commenced at 8:49 p.m.

Executive Session returned to regular session at 8:57 p.m.

Kristi Sogofsky moved to authorize the First Selectman to reach and execute a settlement with IAFF in upcoming interest arbitration. Robert Lessler seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

11. **SEE ABOVE.**

12. Kristi Sogofsky moved to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing lease negotiations with Easton Country Day School. Robert Lessler seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Nick Bamonte, attorney with Berchem Moses and Christine Calvert, Easton Finance Director were invited to stay.

Executive Session commenced at 8:59 p.m.

Executive Session returned to regular session at 10:04 p.m.

No action taken.

13. Adam Dunsby commented that the target date from Verizon for cell tower activation is August 15, 2018. Also AT&T has expressed interest in getting onboard with service.

14. Kristi Sogofsky moved to adjourn at 10:06 p.m. Robert Lessler seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

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