

Agenda  
Easton Board of Selectmen  
Special Meeting December 14, 2023  
7:30 PM  
Town Hall Conference Room (In-Person)  
And  
Virtually via Zoom

Present: David Bindelglass, Kristi Sogofsky, Nicholas D'Addario

1. Nicholas D'Addario moved to approve the minutes of the Board of Selectmen meeting, November 16, 2023 as amended. Kristi Sogofsky seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
2. During public comment, several residents spoke in favor of extending the 5G resolution. Residents spoke about the need to have stronger safeguards in place to protect our volunteers on boards and commissions.
3. Kristi Sogofsky moved to approve the following tax refunds as recommended by Krista Kot, Tax Collector. 1. TOYOTA LEASE TRUST - \$122.99. 2. VW CREDIT LEASING - \$556.50. 3. VW CREDIT LEASING - \$509.03. 4. TOYOTA LEASE TRUST - \$571.01. 5. CAB EAST LLC - \$605.20. 6. CAB EAST LLC - \$560.96. 7. ANTONY CRISCUOLO - \$443.87. 8. BMW FINANCIAL SERVICES - \$196.15. 9. BMW FINANCIAL SERVICES - \$197.24. 10. BMW FINANCIAL SERVICES - \$489.68. 11. BMW FINANCIAL SERVICES - \$833.49. 12. BMW FINANCIAL SERVICES - \$153.57. 13. BMW FINANCIAL SERVICES - \$454.70. 14. BMW FINANCIAL SERVICES - \$402.34. 15. BMW FINANCIAL SERVICES - \$411.67. 16. BMW FINANCIAL SERVICES - \$546.94. 17. BMW FINANCIAL SERVICES - \$537.24. 18. ALLY FINANCIAL - \$461.36. 19. CHASE AUTO FINANCE - \$948.58. 20. MERCEDES-BENZ FINANCIAL SERVICES - \$124.44. 21. MERCEDES-BENZ FINANCIAL SERVICES - \$654.64. 22. MERCEDES-BENZ FINANCIAL SERVICES - \$921.59. Nicholas D'Addario seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
4. Kristi Sogofsky moved to approve the Driveway Bond Release, PERMIT #1823, 111 Rockhouse Road to Peter Fahan, in the amount of \$3,000.00 as recommended by Bruce Bombero, Deputy Director of Public Works. Nicholas D'Addario seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
5. After a discussion with Vivian Hardison, whose confidential information was posted online. Nicholas D'Addario moved to approve the statement about posting of personal information in public places (see attached). Kristi Sogofsky seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
6. David Bindelglass said an inspection is scheduled for tomorrow and that the lease language is done except for an agreed monthly rent amount. David clarified that the lease agreement would need to be approved by the Board of Selectmen and if approved would then be presented at a Town Meeting as specified in the land use ordinance.
7. David Bindelglass moved to extend the 5G resolution written as is to December 31, 2024. Nicholas D'Addario seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
8. David Bindelglass moved to reappoint Lise Fleurette as alternate to the Board of Assessment Appeals for a term ending 11/7/27. Nicholas D'Addario seconded. Motion passed unanimously. David Bindelglass moved to reappoint Gayle Worthington as alternate to the Board of Assessment Appeals for a term ending 11/7/27. Nicholas D'Addario seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Nicholas D'Addario moved to appoint Josip Glavan as an alternate to the Board of Finance for a term ending 1/2/29. David Bindelglass seconded. Kristi Sogofsky opposed. David Bindelglass moved to appoint Diana Gomez as a member to the Commission for the Aging for a term ending 1/2/27. Kristi Sogofsky seconded. Motion passed unanimously. David Bindelglass moved to appoint Sheila Weaver as an alternate to the Easton Diversity and Inclusion Task Force for a term ending 1/2/25. Nicholas D'Addario seconded. Motion passed unanimously. David Bindelglass moved to accept the resignation of James McCarthy from the EMS Planning and Building Committee effective immediately with thanks for his service. Kristi Sogofsky seconded. Motion passed unanimously. David Bindelglass moved to appoint Schyler Sherwood to the EMS Planning and Building Committee. Nicholas D'Addario seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Nicholas D'Addario moved to appoint Christian Calemno as a member to the Planning and Zoning Commission for a term ending 1/2/25. David Bindelglass seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

9. During public comment, a resident shared his view on town politic. Several residents suggested a change in town policy and/or an ordinance should be considered for those who display criminal behavior.
10. Kristi Sogofsky reminded everyone to keep the families of the Sandy Hook tragedy in their thoughts and prayers. Nicholas D'Addario suggested an ordinance for board and commission volunteers who demonstrate criminal behavior be explored.
11. David Bindelglass moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:10pm. Kristi Sogofsky seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

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Attachment

The Town of Easton is highly dependent on volunteers who serve on our boards and commissions to function effectively. As a result, the Board of Selectmen takes its obligation to protect those who serve in these positions from threat or harm very seriously. Those protections and other policies are listed in the "Welcome to Public Service" packet which all members receive after being sworn in. This packet is available on the town website. **Go to ABOUT EASTON and SELECT Boards, Commissions and Committees (Openings and Information).** Additionally, the town has an insurance policy from Travelers that covers board and commission members acting in their official capacity. This insurance policy can be viewed by the public at the Director of Finance's office. Furthermore, the purposeful harassment of public officials, and specifically, the posting of personal information in public places is unacceptable. The Board of Selectmen is steadfast and united in its commitment to this principle.