Minutes

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Easton Board of Selectiven CLERK
Special Meeting March 7_E2024_N CT
6:00 PM

Town Hall Conference Room (In-Person)

And

Virtually via Zoom

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

- 1. Kristi Sogofsky moved to approve the Board of Selectmen meeting minutes, February 15, 2024, as amended. Nicholas D'Addario seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- 2. Nicholas D'Addario moved to approve the following tax refunds as recommended by Krista Kot, Tax Collector. 1. RONALD SANDONE \$58.96. Kristi Sogofsky seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- 3. David Bindelglass moved to accept the bid from Orange Fence & Supply Co., Inc. for a fence at the Easton dog park in the amount of \$14,965 as recommended by Danielle Alves, Director of Park & Recreation. Nicholas D'Addario seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- 4. David Bindelglass moved to accept the bid from McCarthy Concrete for the pickleball/tennis court renovations in the amount of \$296,158 as recommended by B&B Engineering and Danielle Alves, Director of Park & Recreation. Kristi Sogofsky seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- 5. Kristi Sogofsky appreciated the opportunity to reach out to candidate Vance Hancock, however, she stated he wasn't really self-nominated. Nicholas D'Addario moved to appoint Vance Hancock to the Board of Ethics for a term ending 1/2/26. David Bindelglass seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Nicholas D'Addario moved to appoint Darin Bershefsky to the Task Force for the Protection of Town Volunteers & Officials. Kristi Sogofsky seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Kristi Sogofsky moved to appoint Paul Lindoerfer to the Task Force for the Protection of Town Volunteers & Officials. Nicholas D'Addario seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- 6. Nicholas D'Addario provided an update on the Task Force for the Protection of Town Volunteers & Officials. Two meetings have been held to date with no public attendance and have been productive.
- 7. Kristi Sogofsky moved to approve the request to Planning & Zoning for 8-24 referral for the purchase of 444 Sport Hill Road. Nicholas D'Addario seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- 8. Kristi Sogofsky moved to enter executive session at 6:12pm to discuss a real estate transaction. Nicholas D'Addario seconded. Motion passed unanimously. The Board of Selectmen ended executive session at 6:26pm and no action was taken.
- 9. Kristi Sogofsky thanked everyone who submitted testimony in favor of HB5333. She thanked State Representative Tony Scott who is the ranking member on housing and moved it forward and State Senator Tony Hwang for bringing the concept forward. Kristi was disappointed that State Representative Anne Hughes did not take a position on this non-partisan issue which is the heart of Easton after stating that she would. Nicholas D'Addario echoed the support and gave a shout out to Dana Benson for leading a grass roots effort and getting the public informed. David Bindelgass agreed with the wide recognition that 8-30g is not perfect. Easton has unique issues and would like some modifications to address the needs of our town. David is also happy to move ahead with the dog fence and pickleball court. He also thanked Nick for getting the task force started.
- 10. Kristi Sogofsky moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:29pm. Nicholas D'Addario seconded. Motion passed unanimously.