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The April 12, 2023, Regular Meeting of the Woodbridge Board of Selectmen was convened at 5:00 p.m. by Deputy First Selectman Sheila McCreven in the Town Hall Central Meeting Room.

Present: Deputy First Selectman Sheila McCreven, Joseph Crisco, Paul Kuriakose, David Lober, and David Vogel.

Absent: First Selectman Beth Heller

Present for staff: Administrative Officer/Director of Finance Anthony Genovese, Assistant Administrative Officer Karen Crosby; Town Counsel Gerald Weiner; Media Specialist Pua Ford; and Clerk Geraldine Shaw

FIRST SELECTMAN'S REMARKS

Ms. McCreven expressed the Board's condolences on the passing of the First Selectman's mother, Frances Blackman. She read the First Selectman's remarks.

ACTION TAKEN AT THE MEETING

2030 TASK FORCE – PRELIMINARY VISION, PLACEMAKING PLAN

The Board of Selectmen **VOTED UNANIMOUSLY** (Vogel – Crisco) to endorse the concepts presented and that the 2030 Task Force and Pirie Associates should move forward to share the Preliminary Vision, Placemaking Plan with Town boards and commissions.

FUNDING REQUESTS

The Board of Selectmen **VOTED** to recommend the following funding requests to the Board of Finance:

2223-25: Amount \$22,000 (McCreven – Crisco) - approved

2223-26: Amount \$55,000 (McCreven – Crisco) - approved

2223-27: Amount \$ 4,957.40 (McCreven – Crisco) – approved

BID WAIVER – Fire Marshal Vehicle

The Board of Selectmen **VOTED UNANIMOUSLY** (McCreven – Crisco) to approve the request for bid waiver and authorize the purchase of a Fire Marshal vehicle from Sullivan's Northwest Hills in Torrington, CT under State Contract #19PSX0161 for \$41,370.60.

RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE 2023 SCRCOG HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN

The Board of Selectmen **VOTED UNANIMOUSLY** (McCreven – Crisco) to adopt and authorize the First Selectman to execute the Certificate of Resolution entitled – *“Town of Woodbridge, Connecticut – A Resolution Adopting the 2023 SCRCOG Hazard Mitigation Plan Update”*.

STATE DOT AMENDMENT - THE MASTER MUNICIPAL AGREEMENT of 2013

The Board of Selectmen **VOTED UNANIMOUSLY** (Sheila – Crisco) to authorize the First Selectman to execute the CTDOT document entitled: *“Amendment No. 1 to the Master Municipal Agreement for Constructions Project”* extending said agreement for one year.

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

The Board **VOTED UNANIMOUSLY** (McCreven – Crisco) that: In accordance with the Charter of the Town of Woodbridge, Article III, Section 3-2, the Board of Selectmen hereby votes to notify all electors and citizens qualified to vote in a Town Meeting of the Town of Woodbridge that the Annual Town Meeting will be held on May 15, 2023, at 7:30 p.m. DAT in the Amity High School Auditorium, 25 Newton Road,

Woodbridge, CT to consider and take action on the FY24 budget as recommended by the Board of Finance.

CONSENT AGENDA

The Board of Selectmen **UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED** (Sheila – Crisco) various items listed under the Consent Agenda.

Minutes: - (McCreven – Crisco) All Unanimously Approved

March 8, 2023 -Board of Selectmen Regular Meeting

December 1, 2022 – Joint Board of Finance/Board of Selectmen – Capital Budget presentations

December 6, 2022 – Joint Board of Finance/Board of Selectmen – Capital Budget presentations

January 24, 2023 – Joint Board of Finance/Board of Selectmen – Operating Budget presentations

January 26, 2023 – Joint Board of Finance/Board of Selectmen – Operating Budget presentations

January 31, 2023 – Joint Board of Finance/Board of Selectmen – Operating Budget presentations

Tax Refunds – Pursuant to Section 12-124 to 129 of the CT General Statutes and the recommendation of the Tax Collector, taxes in the amount of \$3,198.59.

Town Clerk’s Reports -

State Affirmations – Affirmative Action Policy Statement, Compliance with Title VI of the of he Civil Rights Act of 1964, ADA Notice, ADA Municipal Grievance Procedure, Conflict of Interest Policy, Fair Housing Policy Statement, and Fair Housing Resolution.

Telecommunications Service Credit – In accordance with provisions of Section 28-24-7 of the Regulations of the State of Connecticut, the Town of Woodbridge designates American Medical Response-Med-Com as the recipient of Woodbridge’s credit for the fiscal year 2023/2024 in the amount of \$2,713.50.

Quarterly Reports – Received: Conservation Commission and Human Services Quarterly Reports.

Application to hold an event on Town Property

Boy Scout Troop 907 – Flower/plant sale – various dates in April

Beth-Wood Baseball League Opening Day – April 29

Woodbridge Together Interact – withdrawn for additional information

National Day of Prayer – May 4

Woodbridge Child Center – Graduation – June 8

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORT

The Board of Selectmen **VOTED UNANIMOUSLY** (McCreven – Crisco pursuant to the recommendation of the Recreation Commission and the Personnel Committee, that Jon DeMayo be offered the position of Recreation Office Manager, at \$26.33 per hour per hour, effective April 17, 2023.

APPOINTMENTS

The Board of Selectmen **VOTED** to appoint:

Julie Katz – to fill a vacancy on the Recreation Commission – December 31, 2023 (Kuriakose – Crisco)

Aye: McCreven, Kuriakose, Crisco Nay: Lober, Vogel
Ms. Katz was appointed to the Recreation Commission

Joi Prud'homme – to fill a vacancy on the Conservation Commission – December 31, 2023 (Kuriakose – Crisco)

Aye: McCreven, Kuriakose, Crisco Nay: Lober, Vogel
Ms. Prud'homme was appointed to the Conservation Commission

60 WOODFIELD ROAD – TRANSACTION

The Board of Selectmen **VOTED UNANIMOUSLY** (Vogel – Kuriakose) to approve the transaction regarding 60 Woodfield Road as presented by Town Counsel Gerald Weiner.

LEASE FINANCING – Fire Department Air Packs and Radios

The Board of Selectmen **VOTED UNANIMOUSLY** (McCreven – Crisco) to approve the lease financing agreement with J.P. Morgan for the lease purchase of Air Packs and Radios for the Fire Department as presented by Mr. Genovese.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 6:35 p.m. the Board of Selectmen **VOTED UNANIMOUSLY** (McCreven – Crisco) to move into executive session pursuant to CT General Statutes Section 1-200-(6)(B), Discussion (strategy and negotiations) of pending claim/litigation re: FOI complaint (FIC #3033-0539) filed by David Lober, complainant, v. Town of Woodbridge et al, respondents.

At 6:45 p.m. the Board of Selectmen returned to regular session; Ms. McCreven noted that no motions were made, or votes taken in executive session.

ADJORNMENT

On a non-debatable motion by Mr. Crisco, seconded by Mr. Vogel, the meeting adjourned at 6:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Geraldine S. Shaw, Clerk