

MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHTON
October 11, 2011

The Town Council of the Town of Southington held a public hearing and a regular meeting on Tuesday, October 11, 2011. Edward S. Pocock, III, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:02 o'clock, p.m.

The following Councilpersons were present, viz:

John N. Barry	Anthony E. D'Angelo
John C. Dobbins	Dawn A. Miceli*
Albert A. Natelli, Jr.	Christopher J. Palmieri
Stephanie A. Urillo	Edward S. Pocock, III

Ex-officio members present were as follows, viz:

Anthony J. Tranquillo, Director of Public Works/Town Engineer
Mark J. Sciota, Deputy Town Manager/Town Attorney
Garry Brumback, Town Manager

* Arrived where noted.

Absent: Peter J. Romano, Jr., Councilman

PUBLIC HEARING

Public Hearing: Ordinance Appropriating \$560,000 for Costs Related to the Acquisition of a Class A Pumper Fire Truck and Related Equipment for use by the Southington Fire Department and authorizing the issue of \$560,000 bonds and notes to finance said appropriation.

Chief Harold Clark presented the proposal. In 1998 & 1999 we bought four engines in a one year span. If we look to do that again the cost would be upwards of \$2.5 million. It's not what we are proposing and want to do.

We did a whole evaluation in 2009 as to the rolling stock of the Southington Fire Department, all of our apparatus. What we identified was our vehicles are aging. Half of our vehicles are over 20 years old and the other half are over 10 years to 12 years old. It was time to come up with a replacement plan.

The plan was to replace one every other year so that we always had new apparatus and the oldest piece would be 12 years old. We formed a truck committee and Lt. Paul is going to speak about that and the research they did into the different apparatus and coming up with a missions statement for our apparatus.

* Ms. Miceli entered the meeting at this time.

After that, we'll answer questions you have.

James Paul, Jr., Lieutenant, Southington Fire Department. Three points I'd like to speak on:

- Mission - the mission of the engine will be operate as engine 11 which responds to all types of emergencies from headquarters located at 310 No. Main Street. It will be the primary staff apparatus and will provide its crew of firefighters with the latest technology available to perform their tasks as efficiently and as safely as possible. The tasks include all types of emergency responses ranging from fire suppression, emergency medical responses, responding to motor vehicle accidents with injuries, technical rescues, hazmats, fire prevention and fire prevention public presentations.

- Committee - I'm proud to be on it and in charge of the committee. The four members have been on it with me for well over 2 years: Firefighter John Aldieri, Firefighter Keith (Inaudible) Firefighter Glen Dube and Firefighter Scott Lee.

The committee has traveled to over 20 different fire departments researching many different types of apparatus. It has also traveled to many trade shows in and around Connecticut and the northeast.

Meetings were then set with the individual manufacturers to review the features of the actual apparatus. The committee has also spoken extensively with personnel who operate the apparatus on a daily basis as well as interviewed the administration who purchased it.

We have also spoken with mechanics for technical guidance regarding what they have experienced with new engine fleets.

The process of purchasing an apparatus is long and complex and involves several members putting in countless hours of work reviewing apparatus, meeting with sales representatives, writing the specs and then preparing to award it. This entire process once funding has been approved will take over one year. The average build time, once the award is set to the manufacturer, is around 270 days, including delivery time and training.

- Current Fleet - all of our first line engines are over 12 years old and second line engines are over 20. It's not only aging, it's old.

The committee would like to thank all members of the Town Council, the Board of Finance, the Board of Fire Commissioners, Chief Clark and Mr. Sciota and Mr. Brumback. Without your support, it's

really an impossible task. But it is not only for the fire department, but it's for the entire Town of Southington.

Thank you all for your time.

Chief Clark added this engine will also help out engine Company 1 and engine 12 will become 52 which will give us a full complement of rolling stock across town. Second line pieces, as I said, are well over 20 years old.

Robert Sherman has been on our truck committee since a few months ago.

Any questions?

Mr. Barry thanked everyone for their presentation and thanked for all their work and time. You have given the community real good reasons why this is so necessary.

Mr. D'Angelo confirmed the future purchases are now in the Capital Improvement Plan.

(Public Comment)

Allan Zygmundt, 167 Marion Avenue. I'm also a Captain in the Fire Department. Just a couple of points. In the past most of the specification process was handled at the administrative level. And, in some cases firefighters would not even have known apparatus features until it actually backed into the station.

This time both the Board of Fire Commissioners and the Chief decided to look to the firefighters and the officers who work on the apparatus every day and get their input as to what is going to work best here in the Town of Southington.

Exhaustive research was done on features and technology and old school options. Always looking with an eye as to what was going to work best here in our department.

Thank you to the Board of Fire Commissioners and Chief Clark for trusting this specification process and allowing the members to have their input at the very early stages.

I'd like to thank the committee members for all of their time and effort put forward to do this job the way it should've been done.

Whichever name is on the piece of apparatus in fire headquarters when it does get here, it will be designed with safety, efficiency and durability in mind. Those things are the best.

Thank you.

The Chair added that he noted, as well, that is one thing that was different about this process: involvement of the individual firefighters and the folks working on the trucks in this spec process. The department is to be applauded for that. That was a big decision and a smart move.

Ilio Fusciello, 82 Autran Avenue. He felt the insurance company should have paid the bill for the truck because they make money like a bandit.

He also passed around some documents to the Chief and the Committee members and the Council regarding his issue.

Sandra Feld, 821 Glacier Way. I have a question: In the interest of full disclosure and transparency, the people have a right to know how much more the interest on this bond will add to the \$560,000, roughly.

Mr. Brumback said he didn't have that number but would get it for her.

Hearing no further comments, the Chair closed the public hearing.

(Whereupon, the public hearing portion of the meeting was adjourned at 7:15 o'clock, p.m.)

REGULAR MEETING

The Town Council of the Town of Southington held a public hearing and a regular meeting on Tuesday, October 11, 2011. Edward S. Pocock, III, Chairman, called the regular meeting to order at 7:15 o'clock, p.m following the public hearing.

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A prayer was recited by Councilman Anthony D'Angelo.

Moment of Silence was observed for Joe Spagna, an AMR Supervisor. He was a regular member at the polar plunge.

(Silence, silence)

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by everyone in attendance being led by Robert Sherman.

There were approximately 25 other persons in attendance.

EDWARD S. POCOCK, III, Chairman, Presiding:

II. Minutes

Mr. Palmieri made a motion to approve the Minutes as presented. Mr. Dobbins seconded. Motion passed unanimously on a voice vote.

III. COUNCILMANIC COMMUNICATIONS

Dr. Urillo reported that the Open Space Land & Acquisition Committee meet on the 29th of September. The community gardens were discussed and how successful it was and how the participants enjoyed it and the vegetables of their labors.

We decided the closing of the community gardens would be October 22nd. Bonnie Sica was the impetus behind this. She did run it and put the flags out when people let their weeds get a little too tall. We discussed the idea of having the Orchard Valley Garden Club or the UCONN Master Garden Program take over daily operations. We agreed that would be a good idea.

The water use on the property --- we haven't gotten the bill, yet - but it was very little water that was used. It did rain a lot this summer. If the bill is \$25 that would be a lot.

We'll start earlier next year with lotteries in January and in March for residents who want to garden in the community gardens next year. That'll be available on the website later on this year and the beginning of next year.

We discussed the proposed canoe launch on the Germania Street parcel and we'll clear the brush in the Spring and put a set of stairs to ease access to the Quinnipiac River. The PZC did approve that.

We had executive session, one of which will be brought up tonight.

Mr. Dobbins brought up the Southington Task Force is going to their Annual Red Ribbon Rally Wednesday, October 12th at 6:15 on the Green. Bring a sign. Come down and support them.

Secondly, on September 1st, Connecticut Drug Control and the DEA allowed medication drop boxes in police stations. We will be working with STEPS to bring one to Southington. That is very near and dear to my heart with the medication disposal programs that we've had here. It is at no cost. We found grant money for the box and we'll be looking to get money for installation of it and we'll keep you informed when that is coming. This is very appropriate, I think, for the community. It works right in with the Red Ribbon Rally.

Ms. Miceli reported she, along with Messrs. Dobbins, Palmieri and Brumback, attended the wonderful dedication to the Village of Plantsville on Sunday. The ceremony was at Smokin' with Chris, one of our terrific restaurants in this community right on our Rails to Trails linear park. This ceremony was for a new mural that is on the exterior of Smokin' with Chris that depicts several artists' handiwork in scenes. Absolutely beautiful. It is a connector between the Village of Plantsville and Downtown Southington which is exactly what was in mind when Chris Conlin contacted local artist Mary DeCrocce to be the creator behind the mural. The artists came together and crated these beautiful scenes --- really outstanding. Hopefully this will encourage some of our local graffiti artists along the linear park to do something a little bit more creative along the pathway.

Secondly, Fright Night at the Southington Drive In will be our final offering this season. We are going with a frightful doubleheader but we'll start off with some Trunk or Treating! Explained.

We're asking for families and their children to come out and have the children dressed in their costumes --- gives more wear with the costume instead of only wearing it one night. The children will go from trunk to trunk and we're hoping people will bring treats and hand them out in this very safe environment. Children will have to be accompanied by an adult at all times.

Gates open at 4:30. First movie is a family film: Hocus Pocus at 6:00 pm. Then later between 8:00 and 8:30, we will show for mature audiences only the cult classic: Halloween. That will include our 2011 season.

Discussion.

Dr. Urillo asked if it would be separate admission. Ms. Miceli responded no. One admission only. It would be too difficult and too confusing to try to go around and collect.

Discussion.

Mr. D'Angelo commented with the community gardens, another source could be the Vo-Ag Department at the High School. Maybe they could assist with something, too. Dr. Urillo will follow up.

Mr. D'Angelo said after the last meeting and the discussion about the artificial turf, he did have some concerns about the condition of the field. He did contact Dr. Erardi as did Mr. Moise about the safety of the fields. Dr. Erardi responded the staff did support the turf; it is mainly for frequency of use and not safety. They do check the field weekly and maintain it and there are no safety issues. The CIAC has not posed any issues with the field at this point. That goes for the track, as well. They are safe for the students to use right now.

MR. D'Angelo congratulated the Apple Harvest Festival Committee led by Councilman Palmieri and the entire committee. A tremendous job. You had the sun and thank you very much!

Mr. Palmieri added regarding the mural, Mary has actually created a second mural in the lot near Serafino's property. And, she has plans for a third mural, as well.

Discussion.

We didn't have a public works committee meeting and I have a couple of things to bring up. First, the transfer station, Tony, I had asked you a while ago for an update with the bonding that was done there, the \$995,000 bond ordinance. I'm confused because recently the station was paved and I have some correspondence from our finance director indicating that "upon completion of the project in June, 2008, the account had a balance of \$1.23 which was cancelled".

An email of June, 2011 from the Town Engineer to the Town Manager said there are several items to be completed: final paving course, landscaping, lighting, site signs and utility building and other minor miscellaneous items. My question is where is the funding for that coming from when the bond ordinance was spent?

Mr. Tranquillo explained there was a cash appropriation made over the last two years, \$50,000 on year and \$40,000 the second year for a total of \$90,000 and that was used to pave the final course. There's still some items left unfinished.

Discussion.

I'm appreciative of the summary the Town Manager sent of the projects through the committee but I don't remember that.

Discussion.

Mr. Palmieri asked Mr. Brumback about the paving of West Center Street. Do you have a start date? Mr. Brumback responded: This week.

The Chair reported on two items. Mr. Fortunato will be coming to our next meeting to thank the folks who participated in the 9-11 ceremony we had at the high school.

And, I'll submit this for the record but after the YMCA had the skate park stuff, we've been talking with Mr. Myers and evidently now what they're going to try to do is a Sloper After School thing for Teens. They'll kick it off Tuesday afternoon, October 18th. It's from after school until 6:00 pm. Rain date is October 20th. They'll be offering a drop in program for middle school and high school teens in the town. It's called: Sloper After School.

If you are a Southington teen you can take advantage of some of the recreational facilities at Camp Sloper. They'll provide bus transportation from both middle schools and the high school. I think it's a fabulous idea!

It'll involve basketball, volleyball, Frisbee, kickball, some type of waffle ball homerun derby. And, then a guided hike up the Black Trail. The Skate Park and BMX Park will be open. Bring your helmets. They plan on having a hot dog roast.

The Y is doing a fabulous job reaching out on this one.
(Submitted for the record) (attachment #1)

IV. REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

A. APPLE HARVEST FESTIVAL COMMITTEE

Mr. Palmieri thanked mostly Mother Nature for looking kindly on us for the second weekend. It was great. I'm appreciative of all the support from the Council. We had a vision for what we wanted as a community celebration years ago and I think we've done that.

He thanked all members of the community that were part of the festival. (Named each)

We had the Harvest the Arts event and the arts & crafts show was very successful which took place this weekend. Southington ICON was a local Southington winner: Gabrielle Baker.

Our fireworks display was held this Saturday night postponed from last weekend.

Early estimates indicate financially we are going to be in good shape. This was the first time that the Festival has taken on full

responsibility of everything, including police, fire, overtime, public works, et cetera.

Aside from that, the Festival itself is such a great gathering for the community and brings out all members of the community.

Again, thanks to all civic groups and their contributions to the Festival and their efforts as they continue all year long as they give back.

Explained.

When we get figures, this group will be the first we'll share them with.

Ms. Miceli advised there was a lot of positive feedback about the second Friday night carnival bracelet offering. People loved it!

Also, a lot of feedback about the fireworks. People have never seen fireworks like that --- you did a great job.

Mr. Palmieri said they've already begun planning for the 2012 Festival and making improvements.

Thank you all.

Dr. Natelli commended Chris and the committee. Vendors told him they had record breaking days this weekend. This is a great event and the number one event some of them go to.

Congratulations for providing the vendors an opportunity to set sell records.

Discussion.

Mr. Dobbins added out of towners come to our event here which is a plus for the community. It is the premiere free event in the region.

Dr. Urillo echoed all comments. But the vendors who come do get hotel rooms in town. It's not just for the festival; it's for the various businesses in town.

Discussion.

It is a contribution to the economic development of our town noted Mr. Palmieri. We're hoping to draw people in with our fireworks in the Fall and not the 4th of July. They see our restaurants and shops and they want to come back.

It's a team effort, really.

B. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRIKE COMMITTEE

The Chair reported on a very brief but important meeting. The Town Attorney will speak about the hotel/motel tax abatement program. This improves the look and we keep them on the tax rolls. That's big. We have a lot of new development coming but the hotels/motels here are being forgotten. We're trying to promote that growth and keep them healthy. That's about it.

V. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS

A. MANAGER'S APPOINTMENTS:

- Housing Authority - 1 member, 4 year term to October 2015

The name of John Vey has been submitted for your consideration.

- Conservation Commission Alternate, 1 member (fill vacancy) term to April 2013

The name of Greg Ali has been submitted for your consideration.

B. STREETS UPDATE

Mr. Brumback reported we have been inundated with bad weather to include 22 inches of rain since the 1st of August. That set our paving schedule back significantly. We have finished the areas of storm water construction that we needed to preface the paving of West Center Street. To the top half will be paved from Raynor up to West, fully. The bottom half is going to be done temporarily by the water department. That work should be done this week. As well, the completion of West Street before the end of this construction season.

The only other thing is on Mill Street we paved up to the point where the new condos were proposed. We held off subject to the approval of that condo development which has now been approved with Bill LePage and his folks to cut the laterals in before we put the final course of pavement so we can avoid a lot of issues.

That's an update on the last bit of streets that were to be done this year.

C. MISERY BROOK PROJECT

Mr. Brumback advised they should begin work tomorrow, October 12, 2011. One thing we discussed and fixed were some concerns over the method by which they would prune some of the roots in the area. Initially they were going to go with chemical root pruning. The problem is it is seriously detrimental to the wastewater treatment

system. It goes into the plant and kills the digesters that treat the sewage.

They are going to do the pruning mechanically and manually. It will accomplish the same effect with no risk and it is going to save the wastewater treatment plant downstream and it is going to allow us to go faster. The estimated completion date is now the 25th of November, 2011. Weather will not have an impact once the lining begins in the next week or so.

Ms. Miceli asked about the library parking lot. Mr. Tranquillo said the paving work is done, the curbing is in and the plants are in place although not planted. We have some concrete work to do as well as some sidewalks to renovate and touch up with the loaming and seeding and then we're done.

Mr. Barry asked: I was told someone donated some landscaping materials to the project. Is that true? Mr. Tranquillo said he wasn't aware of that but would find out.

VI. TOWN ATTORNEY'S REPORT

A. TAX ABATEMENT PROGRAM - HOTELS/MOTELS

Attorney Sciota said the Economic Development Coordinator, the Town Manager and he had been working on an abatement program for hotel/motel. For years we've tried to attract new hotel/motels and we have been successful with that.

Discussion.

Our concern is what are we doing for the current ones. Some of them have seen better times. We tried to give them a program where they can invest in it and get a tax break.

Discussion.

Mr. Perillo, the Economic Development Coordinator gave a presentation on the proposed tax abatement program for hotel/motels and then answered specific questions the Council people had.

Mr. Perillo requested the Council schedule a public hearing on this item on October 24, 2011 at 7:00 pm.

B. 8-24 REFERRAL- 303 SUMMER STREET

Attorney Sciota explained through the Open Space Committee he received a notice from the ARC of Southington that they wish to donate to the Town a piece of land off of Summer Street, specifically 303.

It may be only one-tenth of an acre but it is very uniquely placed. It is right on the Rails to Trails and we are always looking for additional parking along the Rails to Trails.

The open space committee is recommending to the Council that we move forward and receive the donation from that group.

VII. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS

Arthur Cyr, 103 Berlin Avenue, Southington, CT. He spoke in support of the hotel/motels tax abatement program.

He spoke about the Apple Harvest Festival Advisory Committee and the Apple Harvest Festival. He noted that Mr. Palmieri runs a great festival. It keeps getting better every year. He commended Mr. Palmieri for his work at the parks, DePaolo Middle School and the festival. I just can't say enough about Chris.

Discussion.

He thanked some of the Councilors for doing a great job.

Tony Casale, 360 Stonegate Road. I heard was going to being tomorrow or thereabouts, so thank you very much for that. I was excited to hear the end date is around Thanksgiving rather than Christmas.

My only question is: Is the project going along CDMs guidelines as far as the point repairs and how the project was supposed to be handled. Mr. Brumback responded yes, it is.

Kenneth W. DiMauro, 330 Meriden Avenue. I am the President of the Southington Historical Society. We need the public's help. We are trying to put together a World War II era exhibit to honor the 70th Anniversary of World War II.

Discussion.

I learned more than 450 people from Southington served during the four years. Estimates are right now there are probably 2 million WWII vets in the US now. The median age is 86.

Here is my plea: I need World War II vets to be taped for posterity. If we could get half a dozen to a dozen vets to be taped and also we'd like to get some relics and artifacts from WWII. We hope to plug into the advanced placement classes at the high school when they do their yearly WWII stuff early next year. We are hoping to start in the Spring of next year.

He displayed a picture he had purchased recently from an antique store which is the Battleship that Judge Francis Kane, former Judge in Southington and former town notable, served on during World War II.

We plan to kick off the event on December 11, 2011 from 12:00 noon to 3:00 pm at the Southington Historical Center. We need memorabilia, facts and items. We'll take good care of them and return them when the exhibit is done.

We have a good committee. If you want to contact us, you can contact the Vice President, Fran Shreir at 628-3664 or myself at 628-6168.

I'm pleading with the papers to play this up big. We did the Civil War and now we want to do World War II in a way that will make us all proud.

Discussion.

I desperately want a copy of that pamphlet that everybody talks about that Southington was a microcosm during the 1940's that dropped on Germany. I'd like a copy to add to the Historical Society Collection.

Thank you for your time.

We do have some audio tapes we're going to have digitalized. We hope to get audio and visual tapes as well into our collection.

David Bartlett, General Manager of Day's Inn. For the Chief, I've had the guys down on a couple of occasions for calls and I did notice some older equipment. I hope it passes for you. You have an excellent department, excellent response and I appreciate your courtesy.

For the Apple Festival, my first time here, this past weekend we were sold out. And, 80 to 85 percent that stayed with us were attending the Apple Festival and came back to complaint (1) they didn't have seats for the fireworks and they front they could sit on our front lawn and (2) the different foods that ran out. Two compliments for you.

Since coming here a year ago, we made changes at the former Red Carpet and now Days Inn. There was the name change which was a big difference.

Discussion.

We teamed up with Mt. Southington and Lake Compounce and looking for other organizations to team up with because on my national website we can put this in which brings the free advertising to make this more of a destination rather than just a stopover.

Discussion.

Working with the Chamber of Commerce, I know it's a very active Chamber and it's one of the top Chambers in the state that are extremely active. It is a very busy and very safe community.

I think we need to make it a destination.

As to the abatement, yes I think it should go forward. We did paint and do a full face lift inside with furniture, fixtures and equipment that needed to be done. We have the belief to keep business local as best as possible in hiring local contractors whenever we could and employing a lot of local people to work in the hotel and to keep it running for us.

Hopefully, we'll go from there.

Ilio Fusciello, 82 Autran Avenue. Spoke about his issue indicating he wanted to be paid.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

A. ACTION ON BOND ORDINANCE - \$560,000 CLASS A FIRE PUMPER TRUCK

Dr. Natelli made a motion to approve the bond ordinance for \$560,000 for costs related to the acquisition of a Class A Pumper Fire Truck and related equipment for use by the Southington Fire Department and authorizing the issue of \$560,000 in bonds and notes to finance said appropriation. Mr. Palmieri seconded. (attachment #2)

Motion passed 8 to 0 on a roll call vote.

B. TABLED APPOINTMENT: CCRPA, 1 MEMBER (FILL VACANCY) 2 YEAR TERM TO MAY 2013

Mr. D'Angelo made a motion to table. Mr. Dobbins seconded. Motion passed unanimously on a voice vote.

C. TAX ABATEMENT PROGRAM - SCHEDULE PUBLIC HEARING

Mr. Palmieri made a motion to schedule the tax abatement program public hearing for October 24th at 7:00 pm. Ms. Miceli seconded.

Motion passed 8 to 0 on a roll call vote.

D. 8-24 REFERRAL TO PZC - 303 SUMMER STREET

Dr. Urillo made a motion to refer 303 Summer Street to the Planning & Zoning Commission for an 8-24 referral. Ms. Miceli seconded.

Motion passed 8 to 0 on a roll call vote.

IX. NEW BUSINESS**A. TAX REFUNDS**


Ms. Miceli made a motion to accept the refunds of taxes found in our package. Dr. Urillo seconded. Motion passed unanimously on a voice vote. (attachment #3)

X. ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Natelli made a motion to adjourn which was seconded by Mr. Dobbins. Motion passed unanimously on a voice vote.

(Whereupon, the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 o'clock, p.m.)

ATTEST:


Kathy A. Larkin
Deputy Town Clerk

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11:00 a.m.
By Lashie H. Cotton
Town Clerk



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“Sloper After School”

A Drop- In Program For TEENS!

On Tuesday, October 18th, YMCA Camp Sloper will be offering a drop-in program for middle school and high school teens in the town of Southington called: “Sloper Afterschool”! If you’re a Southington teen, “Sloper Afterschool” will allow you to take advantage of some of the great recreational facilities that the YMCA Camp Sloper Outdoor Center has to offer. We will provide bus transportation from both middle schools and the high school to camp. In order to take advantage of this transportation you must complete the permission slip on the other side of this flyer.

Who

Middle School and High School Teens – YMCA Members and Non-Members Welcome

What

The following activities will be offered: Basketball, Volleyball, Ultimate Frisbee, Kickball, a Frisbee Golf tournament, a Wiffle Ball Home Run Derby, and a guided hike up the Black Trail. In addition, the Skate Park and the BMX Park will be open (remember your helmets!) Also, there will be a hot dog roast at 4:30PM!

When

Tuesday, October 18th, end of school-6:00PM

Raindate: Thurs. October 20th, end of school-6:00PM

**Transportation provided from school by bus.

Parents must pick-up at **YMCA Camp Sloper by 6:00PM

**No sign-out required

Where

YMCA Camp Sloper Outdoor Center
1000 East Street in Southington, CT 06489

Contact

Camp Office

860-621-8194

www.ymcacampsloper.org



1000 East Street Southington, CT 06489

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YMCA Camp Sloper provides fun and healthy activities for youth to practice through programs that build healthy spirit, mind, and body for all.

YMCA Camp Sloper is a non-profit organization serving individuals and families.

YMCA Camp Sloper is a 501(c)(3) organization.

RESOLUTION OF TOWN COUNCIL APPROVING BOND ORDINANCE

VIII
Item A.

M Dr. Natelli presented the following resolution, which was seconded by M
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Mr. Palmieri

RESOLVED, that the following ordinance be adopted:

ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$560,000 FOR COSTS RELATED TO THE ACQUISITION OF A CLASS A PUMPER FIRE TRUCK AND RELATED EQUIPMENT FOR USE BY THE SOUTHTON FIRE DEPARTMENT AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUE OF \$560,000 BONDS AND NOTES TO FINANCE SAID APPROPRIATION

BE IT ORDAINED,

(a) That the Town of Southington appropriate FIVE HUNDRED SIXTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$560,000) for costs related to the acquisition of a Class A pumper fire truck with rescue style compartments, including a 500 gallon water tank, 1,500 gallon per minute Waterous pump, minimum 270 cubic feet of compartment storage, and a minimum 450 HP motor on a custom chassis from a single source manufacturer that has at least 30 years of experience in the fire apparatus industry, and the acquisition of related equipment, for use by the Southington Fire Department. The appropriation may be spent for acquisition costs, legal fees, net interest on borrowings and other financing costs, and other expenses related to the project.

(b) That the Town issue its bonds or notes in an amount not to exceed FIVE HUNDRED SIXTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$560,000) to finance the appropriation for the project. The amount of bonds or notes authorized to be issued shall be reduced by the amount of grants received by the Town for the project. The bonds or notes shall be issued pursuant to Section 7-369 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, Revision of 1958, as amended, and any other enabling acts. The bonds or notes shall be general obligations of the Town secured by the irrevocable pledge of the full faith and credit of the Town.

(c) That the estimated cost of the project described above is FIVE HUNDRED SIXTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$560,000).

(d) That no amount has been included in the Town budget for the current or any previous year in anticipation of such bond issue.

(e) That the period of usefulness of such project is more than twenty years, as evidenced by the certificate of the Town Engineer filed with the Town Council and hereby approved..

(f) That the Town issue and renew its temporary notes from time to time in anticipation of the receipt of the proceeds from the sale of the bonds or notes for the project or the receipt of grants for the project. The amount of the notes outstanding at any time shall not exceed FIVE HUNDRED SIXTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$560,000). The notes shall be

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(g) The Town Manager, the Treasurer and the Director of Finance shall sign the bonds or notes by their manual or facsimile signatures. The law firm of Day Pitney LLP is designated as bond counsel to approve the legality of the bonds or notes. The Town Manager, the Treasurer and the Director of Finance are authorized to determine the amount, dates, interest rates, maturities, redemption provisions, form and other details of the bonds or notes; to designate one or more bank or trust companies to be certifying bank, registrar, transfer agent and paying agent for the bonds or notes; to provide for the keeping of a record of the bonds or notes; to designate a financial advisor to the Town in connection with the sale of the bonds or notes; to sell the bonds or notes at public or private sale; to deliver the bonds or notes; and to perform all other acts which are necessary or appropriate to issue the bonds or notes.

(h) That the Town hereby declares its official intent under Federal Income Tax Regulation Section 1.150-2 that project costs may be paid from temporary advances of available funds and that (except to the extent reimbursed from grant moneys) the Town reasonably expects to reimburse any such advances from the proceeds of borrowings in an aggregate principal amount not in excess of the amount of borrowing authorized above for the project. The Town Manager, the Treasurer and the Director of Finance are authorized to amend such declaration of official intent as they deem necessary or advisable and to bind the Town pursuant to such representations and covenants as they deem necessary or advisable in order to maintain the continued exemption from federal income taxation of interest on the bonds or notes authorized by this resolution if issued on a tax-exempt basis, including covenants to pay rebates of investment earnings to the United States in future years.

(i) That the Town Manager, the Treasurer and the Director of Finance are authorized to make representations and enter into written agreements for the benefit of holders of the bonds or notes to provide secondary market disclosure information, which agreements may include such terms as they deem advisable or appropriate in order to comply with applicable laws or rules pertaining to the sale or purchase of such bonds or notes.

(j) That the Town Manager, the Treasurer, the Director of Finance, and other proper officers and officials of the Town are authorized to take all other action which is necessary or

desirable to complete the project and to issue bonds or notes to finance the aforesaid appropriation.

(k) That this Ordinance shall become effective twenty (20) days after publication of notice of passage thereof in at least two newspapers having major and substantial circulation in the Town.

The ordinance was adopted by the following roll-call vote:

<u>IN FAVOR</u>	<u>OPPOSED</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>
8	0	

Item A.^{VIII}

M Dr. Natelli presented the following resolution, which was seconded by Mr. Palmieri :

RESOLVED, that the Town Manager cause a copy of the above bond ordinance to be filed with the Town Clerk.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Manager or Town Clerk cause a notice of passage of said ordinance to be published in two newspapers having major and substantial circulation in the Town.

The foregoing resolution was approved by the following roll call vote:

IN FAVOR	OPPOSED	ABSTAIN
8	0	

List of Requests for Abatement or Refunds of Taxes - Town Council Meeting of October 11, 2011

<u>Taxpayer's Name</u>	<u>Reason for Refund</u>	<u>Amount of Refund</u>
Clements, Paul S or Renelee	Assessor C/C List #32153 M 2010	\$60.87
DCFS Trust	Assessor C/C List #40628 M 2010	\$149.63
DCFS Trust	Assessor C/C List #40589 M 2010	\$52.42
Donna, David R	Assessor C/C List #42253 M 2009	\$118.89
Gomberg, Karen K	July payment List #2541 R 2010	\$108.63
Kastner, Sharon A	Assessor C/C List #110289 M 2010	\$54.29
Motorlease Corporation	Assessor C/C List #133721 M 2009	\$170.78
Premier Financial SVS LLC	Assessor C/C List #162415 M 2010	\$1,544.01 *
Stanwicks, Sally M or Terrence P	Assessor C/C List #192979 M 2010	\$86.36
Toyota Motor Credit Corp	Assessor C/C List #201368 & 201394 M 2010	\$185.00

***explanation attached**