

COMMITTEE OF THE CHAIRS
Special Meeting Minutes
June 5, 2019 at 4:30 p.m.
Town Hall – Finance Department Conference Room

Present: Christopher Palmieri, Brian Goralski (arrived at 4:37pm), John Leary (via teleconference), Michael DelSanto, Timothy Connellan, and Mark Sciota

Also present:

Call to Order

Chairman Palmieri called the meeting to order at 4:30.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the April 19th 2019 meeting. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

Board Communications

Chairman Leary stated the request for proposals went out for the audit.

Superintendent Tim Connellan stated the board re appropriated the budget at their May 23rd meeting. They are currently working on selection of new principal for Southington High School, appointment will happen on the 6th as well as a presentation by Milone and McBroom, who just completed the second phase of the facility study. Bids are now out for project on High School roof.

Chairman DelSanto stated Planning and Zoning sent back two favorable 8-24s for Road Improvements and JW Municipal Center.

Items for Discussion

Budget Update

Chairman John Leary stated the uncertainty will continue, we will have a conversation about a long term approach, minimal mil increase.

Chairman Goralski would like the Town Council and the Board of Finance to take a look at allocated TRB funds within the approved budget, ECS money, let's work together to benefit us all.

Municipal Center Referendum

Chairman DelSanto stated last night at the Planning and Zoning meeting, the video for the referendum was presented by TM Sciota.

TM Sciota informed all the video is on the front page of the Town website.
TM Sciota stated the Board of Finance will have a Public Hearing June 12th on both referendums, who will then give their recommendation to the Town Council.

Chairman Palmieri stated a Public Hearing will be on the Town Council meeting on June 24th.

Chairman Goralski stated he fully supports this referendum.

Road Bonding

Chairman Palmieri stated this will be on the June 24th Town Council agenda.

TM Sciota stated the \$2.2 million dollars we have, \$1.3 million in cash which comes from the state, this would supplement that for the additional \$900,000 to spend the \$2.2 million on the roads. The list is located on the website under Highway/Parks page.

Coalition of Social Justice Committee

Superintendent Tim Connellan stated the committee met three times, next meeting is June 25th. The committee has established initial drafts of goals.

Chairman Palmieri stated it is best to have someone who is on both committees, which is Christina Simms. (Town Policy Diversity Committee).

Update of Town Policy Diversity Committee

TM Sciota stated the committee has accumulated our policies, which is step number one, our next meeting will be in June 5th. OJ Shaw (NAACP) will be inviting a speaker to give us instruction on how government as well as businesses looks at their policies and procedures in a different light.

Public Communications

None

Old Business

None

New Business

Chairman Palmieri stated the next meeting will be August 7th.

Best of luck to the Southington softball and baseball teams. The girls will play Friday at 4pm in Stratford; boys will be in Middletown (Palmer Field) on Saturday at noon.

Adjournment

A motion was made to adjourn at 5:05p.m.