

Woodstock Board of Selectmen Minutes

Thursday, May 19, 2022

7:00 pm

Town Hall, Room A

Regular Meeting

1. **Call to order:** First Selectman Jay Swan called meeting to order at 7:01 pm.
 - a. **Present:** First Selectman Jay Swan, Selectman Chandler Paquette, Selectwoman Charlene Perkins Cutler
 - b. **Others Present:** Ray Morgan, Board of Finance Chairman Michael Dougherty, Ian Webster, Kim Nealy, John Grady, Glenn Lessig, Preston Shultz and Recording Secretary Amy Monahan
 - c. First Selectman Jay Swan added an agenda item 2.b- approval of Special Meeting Minutes from May 18, 2022.
2. **Approval of Minutes**
 - a. May 5, 2022 Board of Selectmen's Meeting
 - b. May 18, 2022 Special Meeting
 1. Charlene Perkins Cutler made a * **Motion** to approve the Minutes from of May 5, 2022 Regular Board of Selectmen Meeting and May 18, 2022 Special Meeting as presented.
***Seconded** by Chandler Paquette. ***Motion Passed Unanimously.**
3. **Warn of Town Meeting**
 - a. First Selectman Jay Swan read the following document. The document was signed by all members of the Board of Selectmen.

NOTICE OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING TOWN OF WOODSTOCK May 31, 2022 7:00pm

A Special Town Meeting of the electors and citizens qualified to vote in town meetings of the Town of Woodstock, Connecticut, will be held on Tuesday, May 31, 2022, at 7:00 PM at the Woodstock Town Hall, 415 Route 169 in Woodstock. The Meeting will be held to consider the following actions and to vote on the following resolutions:

- 1) To elect a Moderator;
- 2) To approve the proposed budget of the Town of Woodstock for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, in the amount of \$25,701,111 as has been recommended by the Board of Finance and to appropriate said sum to meet the recommended expenditures;
- 3) To adjourn.

Please Note: Pursuant to Section 7-7 of the Connecticut General Statutes, the Woodstock Board of Selectmen have on their own initiative removed the foregoing Item #2 for submission to the voters of the Town of Woodstock by referendum to be held on June 7, 2022, from 12:00 Noon to 8:00 PM at the Woodstock Town Hall. Voters approving the question will vote "Yes" and those opposing the question will vote "No." Absentee ballots will be available at the Office of the Town Clerk.

Dated at Woodstock, Connecticut, this 19 day of May 2022.

Jay Swan, First Selectman, Chandler Paquette, Charlene Perkins Cutler Selectman

Attest: Judy Walberg Town Clerk

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4. Consider the Appointment of David Lussier as Special Constable for the Term May 19, 2022 through November 21, 2023

- a. Chandler Paquette made a ***Motion** to appoint David Lussier as Special Constable for the Term May 19, 2022 through November 21, 2023. ***Seconded** by Charlene Perkins Cutler. ***Motion Passed Unanimously.**

5. Correspondence and Announcements

- a. There will be a grand opening of the Wabbaquasset Trail on June 20, 2022 from 6-8pm. Join the Connecticut Forrest & Park Association for the inaugural hike of the new 1.4 mile Wabaquasset Trail in Northern Woodstock at Muddy Pond Beach Pond Factory Rd.
- b. Online registration is currently open for the Woodstock Recreation Department summer volleyball and summer basketball programs. Visit the recreation page for information about all upcoming events and programs. <https://www.woodstockct.gov/recreation-department/pages/recreation-programs>
- c. A letter has been received from the USDA in response to the request for financial assistance for work at the Crystal Pond Dam.
- d. The following Memorial Day events will take place in the Town of Woodstock in addition to the Memorial Day Road Race which starts at 9 am-

8:15 A.M. Buses leave Palmer Arboretum with American Legion details. Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts to meet clergy at cemeteries to provide honors. Schedule for Cemeteries

9:00 A.M. Elmvale and Bradford-Marcy

9:30 A.M. East Woodstock and Bungay

10:00 A.M. North Woodstock and Barlow

10:30 A.M. Center and Quasset 10:45 A.M. Woodstock Hill and Roseland Park

11:00 A.M. Parade Musters vicinity of Woodstock Inn and Woodstock Orchards to proceed to Veterans' Memorials at the Common

11:30 A.M. Parade Steps Off

11:45 A.M.-12:30 P.M. Military Flyover

11:45 A.M. Memorial Services at Woodstock Hill Common Invocation: Kevin Downer Welcome: Glenn Boies, CDR, Post 111 Special Greetings: Introduction of the Woodstock Board of Selectmen and Welcome by Jay Swan, First Selectman Concert Selection: East Woodstock Cornet Band WMS Essay Contest Winner: Samantha Smyth Firefighter of the Year Award: TBA Honored Guest Speaker: Owen Bland Concert Selection: East Woodstock Cornet Band Wreath Laying: Woodstock Girl Scouts Rifle Salute: American Legion, Post 111 Taps: TBA National Anthem: All Benediction: Kevin Downer Following these exercises, a final wreath-laying will occur at the Town Hall monument where all Connecticut soldiers lost in current wars will be honored. In the event of inclement weather, ceremonies will be held at the Woodstock Academy Field House.

6. Public Comments

- a. Jonathan Grady thanked the Selectmen for all the work on the budget and keeping this wonderful town operating. He reminded the BOS that Roseland Park has a wagon that my work for the BOS in the Memorial Day Parade.
- b. Glenn Lessig also thanked the town official for work on the budget. He wanted to address the comments made about communication at the budget meeting and voice his concern to try to get the most communication possible going forward. Jay Swan shared that the sign will use the word vote in place of referendum and additional advertising including the Shoppers Guide and Villager will be used going forward.

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- c. Ian Webster reminded the Board of Selectmen of the request from Roseland Park for ARPA funds. The board stated that as soon as the budget is completed, ARPA will be regularly addressed and updated on the first Thursday of each month at 4 pm.
- d. Charlene Perkins Cutler shared information to follow up on the missing tertiary marker concern. She will put her findings for replacing the marker into a document and share the information with the board when completed.
- e. TEEG is holding a program on May 27, 2022. The workshop entitled Mindful Mealtimes: navigating nutrition on a budget will be held at TEEG, 15 Thatcher Road in North Grosvenordale at 11:30 a.m. To register call Erin at 860-949-6893.

7. Adjournment

- a. Chandler Paquette made a ***Motion** to adjourn. *** Seconded** by Charlene Perkins Cutler. ***The motion passed unanimously**. The meeting adjourned at 7:22 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Amy Monahan, Recording Secretary. DISCLAIMER: These minutes have not yet been approved by the Board of Selectmen. Please refer to next month's meeting for approval/amendments.