

## **BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

### **REGULAR MEETING**

**January 3, 2007**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Judy Neville, First Selectman; Paul Giusti and Johnny Potts, Selectmen.

**ALSO PRESENT:** George Maranis, Administrative Officer; Gary Conrad, Chief Financial Officer; Cheryl Jones, Personnel Director; Tiger Mann, Senior Engineer; Richard Werner, Director, Health Department; Jim Beall, Chairman, Police Station Building Committee; Jim Cole, Chairman, Police Commission; Edward Nadriczny, Chief of Police; Jack Hennessey, Assistant Fire Chief; Dr. Lewis Annunziato, Chairman, Town Council; Rachel Fitzpatrick, New Canaan Advertiser; Kristiana Glavin, New Canaan News-Review.

Judy Neville called the meeting to order at 10:05 am and called the roll, noting the presence of all the Selectmen. She asked that the minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 19, 2006 be approved and, on the motion of Mr. Giusti and the second of Mr. Potts, they were approved unanimously.

Mr. Mann presented a request from the Department of Public Works to award a contract in the amount of \$37,107 to Lanni Construction, the low bidder, for the installation of drainage on West Cross Road. After satisfactorily responding to questions from the Selectmen as to the need for doing this work, and why Lanni's bid was so much lower than the other two bidders, the Selectmen voted unanimously, on the motion of Mr. Giusti and the second of Mr. Potts, to approve the contract.

Mr. Werner then presented a request from the Health Department to adopt a new schedule of fees (attached hereto.) He explained that fees had not been increased in 10 years, and that New Canaan's fees were low in comparison to surrounding communities. He described the nature of the fees, including the State-mandated frequency of inspections. On the motion of Mr. Potts and the second of Mr. Giusti, the schedule was approved unanimously. Mr. Maranis explained that the schedule would be published in the January 11, 2007 edition of the New Canaan Advertiser, and that it would become effective on February 1, 2007.

Before moving to the next Item dealing with the award of contracts by the Police Department Building Committee, Mr. Conrad asked that an item be added to the agenda – a request from the Police Department Building Committee for a special appropriation of \$106,000 for the removal of lead contaminated roof insulation above the third floor (\$47,000) and for the removal of lead contaminants in the cupola (\$54,450) - the remaining \$4,550 to be reserved for contingency. On the motion of Mr. Potts and the second of Mr. Giusti, the item was added by unanimous vote. Mr. Beall then proceeded with his explanation of the work to be done in connection with this request. He explained that lead dust from past use of the firing range in the basement had not been properly vented through the attic, and that lead contaminants, as well as toxic pigeon droppings, had been identified by consultants. He also explained that the contractor retained to repair the Police Station roof had written a change order for the project in order to remediate lead paint from the exterior of the building, including gutters, cupola, and all exterior

trim. Mr. Beall warned that it was imperative that this work be accomplished as soon as possible in order to meet the scheduled relocation of Town Hall employees to the third floor of the Police Station. On the motion of Mr. Potts and the second of Mr. Giusti, the Selectmen unanimously approved an appropriation of \$110,000, increasing the contingency portion of the request. On the motion of Mr. Potts and the second of Mr. Giusti, the Selectman also unanimously approved the awarding of contracts to Indoor Air Services (for \$47,040) and to Kronenberger & Sons (for \$54,559) for the remediation work in the attic and the building exterior, respectively. Finally, on the request of Mr. Beall, the Selectmen, on the motion of Mr. Potts and the second of Mr. Giusti, unanimously approved the award of a contract for \$326,000 (previously budgeted) with Kronenberger & Sons for repair of the roof.

The Selectmen then, on the motion of Mr. Giusti and the second of Mr. Potts, unanimously approved appointments and reappointments as listed on the schedule attached to these minutes.

Tax refunds were next approved unanimously, on the motion of Mr. Potts and the second of Mr. Giusti.

At this point, 10:33 am, the Selectmen voted unanimously to go into Executive Session to discuss real estate matters. Upon returning to regular session at 11:00 am, the Selectmen voted unanimously to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

George M. Maranis, Secretary