



Town of Colchester, Connecticut

127 Norwich Avenue, Colchester, Connecticut 06415

Bernie Dennler, First Selectman

Board of Selectmen Special Meeting

January 31, 2024 – 5:00pm

Minutes

Town Hall Meeting Room 1 & Via Zoom

Members Present: First Selectman Bernie Dennler, Selectmen Art Shilosky, Rosemary Coyle, Denise Turner, and Cliff O'Donal

Others Present: Steven Hoffman, Fire Chief; Brad Bernier, Deputy Chief

1. Call to Order

First Selectman Bernie Dennler called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

B. Dennler led the pledge of allegiance.

3. Executive Session: Personnel Interview – Human Resources Director

R. Coyle MOVED to go into executive session to interview the Human Resource candidate. C. O'Donal. SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 5:0.

The Board of Selectmen entered executive session with the candidate at 5:02pm. The candidate exited at 5:35pm. The Board of Selectmen exited executive session at 5:45pm

4. Discussion and Action of approval of unpaid leave of absence for Recreation Department employee per Employee Handbook & Personnel Policies Section Three – Leaves of Absence

C. O'Donal MOVED to allow the First Selectman to approve a four-week unpaid leave of absence for a Recreation Department employee. A. Shilosky SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 5:0.

5. Discussion and action on authorizing the First Selectman to sign a contract with Firematic and Sales for the purchase of a tanker and related equipment as authorized by the 2021 fire apparatus referendum.

Chief Steven Hoffman and Deputy Chief Brad Bernier presented the proposed contract. Authorization in this meeting is required to move forward otherwise the contract will be opened to other buyers on February 1, 2024.

Discussion by the Board followed.

R. Coyle MOVED to authorize the First Selectman to sign a contract with Firematic and J&S Radio Sales for the purchase of a tanker and related equipment as authorized by the 2021 fire apparatus referendum.

A. Shilosky SECONDED. B. Dennler confirms it has been bid on by a consortium, which was in line with the town's purchasing policies. MOTION CARRIED 5:0.

6. Adjournment

A. Shilosky MOVED to adjourn at 5:56pm. D. Turner SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 5:0.

Respectfully submitted,

Taryn Scott

Executive Assistant to the First Selectman