

Town of Willington

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BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Special Meeting Minutes
In person; TOB, Common Room

September 12, 2022
6:00 PM

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First Selectwoman Wiczenski called the SPECIAL meeting to order at 6:01 PM with the following in attendance: Selectwoman Boritz and Selectman Bulick and residents in person and via Zoom. Ashford First Selectman William Falletti and Ashford Selectwoman Catherine Silver-Smith and Attorney Ann Catino were also in attendance via Zoom.

Call to Order

Joint Meeting with the Ashford Board of Selectmen to discuss input received at the 09/08/2022 Public Hearing from members of both communities on potential use of the Cadlerock property.

First Selectwoman Wiczenski stated that the public hearing was well attended last week and the discussion was for input to add to the application for remediation funds from DECD for the Cadlerock property. The two towns are not locking into a permanent use clause for the property; it was just a discussion of a possible direction to move in. There were similar conversations from both towns and both town Conservation Commission talked about passive recreation. Some residents mentioned economic development. A discussion was had on the need for a master plan and if some of the funding can be used to help develop that plan.

Attorney Catino looked at this proposed funding round and it does include costs for remediation, abatement, planning, engineering and environmental consulting. Creating a master plan and seeking funds for the master plan is within the funding round.

Ashford First Selectman Falletti stated that the public hearing had a good turnout with positive input and there was an open discussion. There is a potential for the towns to consider multi-use and there was a consensus from a number of people to know what is developable on that land. If the wetlands were to be mapped, it would be beneficial as an educated estimate of what can be applied and what would be useful on the property. Ashford First Selectman Falletti inquired about what sort of specifics does the application call for or can the application talk in generalities?

Attorney Catino stated that a joint public hearing/meeting was held to ascertain the best direction for the property. A number of suggestions were made and the towns recognize that it's a large plan and need to be smart in the future use. There is a need to develop a master plan so that the towns understand what can be utilized and answer questions about the developable ability of the property. There is remediation to be conducted still but the towns would want to match the cleanup with being able to move forward from a planning perspective. There is a possibility the State may only allot planning money and not remediation funding; it would be based on the flexibility of remedial funds and planning funds.

Discussion continued on the results of the public hearing and how this information can best be used on the application for the grant funding. There will need to be further discussion on the forest program that could be conducted by Yale or potentially UConn.

First Selectwoman Wiecenski stated that there needs to be a discussion on hunting on the Cadlerock property. There are a lot of liability concerns and until any further considerations are made, there is no hunting allowed. There were no trespassing signs placed immediately after the tax sale had closed.

Take action on approving information to be included in the 2022 Municipal Brownfields Grant Program Application for remediation of the Cadlerock property.

First Selectwoman Wiecenski moved to include language to ask for planning funds and remediation for mixed use, both passive recreation and economic development on the Cadlerock properties in both Willington and Ashford.

Attorney Catino spoke about the language usage in the grant application. The possible plan would be to do a formal master planning approach for the property and to receive additional support from Yale or UConn for a forest plan. Discussion continued on the possible uses of the property and the need for the remediation funding. Both of the towns now own the property and the remediation is isolated and independent. The end use could be based upon a public meeting that was had of the spectrum of passive recreation (hiking trails), economic development, affordable housing, etc. but the towns need to move forward with master plan development.

First Selectwoman Wiecenski moved to include language to allow for developing a plan for future use of the Cadlerock property in the 2022 municipal brownfields grant program application for remediation.

Selectwoman Boritz seconded.

3 Yes (Boritz, Bulick & Wiecenski) 0 No. Motion carried.

New Business

A. Tax Refunds

First Selectwoman Wiecenski moved to refund ACAR Leasing LTD a Certificate of Correction in the amount of \$402.20.

Selectman Bulick seconded the motion.

3 Yes (Boritz, Bulick & Wiecenski) 0 No. Motion carried.

First Selectwoman Wiecenski moved to refund Ricky Beyor Certificates of Correction in the amount of \$11.88 & \$6.57 & \$6.30.

Selectwoman Boritz seconded the motion.

3 Yes (Boritz, Bulick & Wiecenski) 0 No. Motion carried.

First Selectwoman Wiecenski moved to refund CCAP AutoLease LTD a Certificate of Correction in the amount of \$488.98.

Selectman Bulick seconded the motion.

3 Yes (Boritz, Bulick & Wiecenski) 0 No. Motion carried.

First Selectwoman Wiecenski moved to refund CCAP AutoLease LTD a Certificate of Correction in the amount of \$264.63.

Selectwoman Boritz seconded the motion.

3 Yes (Boritz, Bulick & Wiecenski) 0 No. Motion carried.

First Selectwoman Wiecenski moved to refund Nancy Goodell a Certificate of Correction in the amount of \$40.56.

Selectman Bulick seconded the motion.

3 Yes (Boritz, Bulick & Wiecenski) 0 No. Motion carried.

First Selectwoman Wiecenski moved to refund David & Michale Green a Certificate of Correction in the amount of \$103.50.

Selectman Bulick seconded the motion.

3 Yes (Boritz, Bulick & Wiecenski) 0 No. Motion carried.

First Selectwoman Wiecenski moved to refund Heritage Oil Inc. a Certificate of Correction in the amount of \$228.21.

Selectwoman Boritz seconded the motion.

3 Yes (Boritz, Bulick & Wiecenski) 0 No. Motion carried.

First Selectwoman Wiecenski moved to refund Jamie L. Hipsky a Certificate of Correction in the amount of \$92.77.

Selectman Bulick seconded the motion.

3 Yes (Boritz, Bulick & Wiecenski) 0 No. Motion carried.

First Selectwoman Wiecenski moved to refund Lauren Hockla a Certificate of Correction in the amount of \$110.22.

Selectwoman Boritz seconded the motion.

3 Yes (Boritz, Bulick & Wiecenski) 0 No. Motion carried.

First Selectwoman Wiecenski moved to refund Amina Hosaini a Certificate of Correction in the amount of \$115.23.

Selectman Bulick seconded the motion.

3 Yes (Boritz, Bulick & Wiecenski) 0 No. Motion carried.

First Selectwoman Wiecenski moved to refund James Kaminski a Certificate of Correction in the amount of \$367.74.

Selectman Bulick seconded the motion.

3 Yes (Boritz, Bulick & Wiecenski) 0 No. Motion carried.

First Selectwoman Wiecenski moved to refund Eleftherios Moustakakis a Certificate of Correction in the amount of \$117.26.

Selectwoman Boritz seconded the motion.

3 Yes (Boritz, Bulick & Wiecenski) 0 No. Motion carried.

First Selectwoman Wiecenski moved to refund Kimberly Tiemann a Certificate of Correction in the amount of \$61.32.

Selectman Bulick seconded the motion.

3 Yes (Boritz, Bulick & Wiecenski) 0 No. Motion carried.

First Selectwoman Wiecenski moved to refund Timothy Tiemann Certificates of Correction in the amount of \$80.52 & \$34.62.

Selectwoman Boritz seconded the motion.

3 Yes (Boritz, Bulick & Wiecenski) 0 No. Motion carried.

First Selectwoman Wiccenski moved to refund Toyota Lease Trust a Certificate of Correction in the amount of \$91.12.

Selectman Bulick seconded the motion.

3 Yes (Boritz, Bulick & Wiccenski) 0 No. Motion carried.

Selectwoman Boritz moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:45 PM.

First Selectwoman Wiccenski seconded the motion.

3 Yes (Boritz, Bulick & Wiccenski) 0 No. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Kelsey Allard

Recording Secretary

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