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THESE MINUTES ARE SUBJECT TO APPROVAL AT THE NEXT BOS MEETING

TOWN OF CHESTER, CONNECTICUT BOARD OF SELECTMEN REGULAR MEETING October 11, 2023 Chester Town Hall

CALL TO ORDER

First Selectman Janecek called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. In attendance included: First Selectman Janecek, Selectman Meehan and Selectman Englert.

AUDIENCE OF CITIZENS

Question – why did the Board of Selectmen not vote to adopt affordable housing moratorium when the Town had all the option to do so?

Answer by Charlene – Board of Selectmen do not authorize to act on land use, this is the jurisdiction of the elected PCZ.

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Board of Selectmen approved all reappointments and will follow up with reminders with those that have not responded.

APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 21, 2023 MINUTES

Approved with the correction of the spelling of Schroeder under the North Main Street decorative light discussion.

VETERAN'S LAW

Would like to review the new law and clarify mandatory adoption of the new ordinance and contact RiverCOG for further information and possible multitown cooperative option.

SELECTMAN REPORTS:

Ed reported on the cell tower lease option for potential use at Town DPW, on Grote Road. The draft lease was completed and submitted to Ray Lemley on October 6th and Ray forwarded it to Vertical Bridge for their review and response. Ed clarified that Ray is not Vertical Bridge's attorney but rather serving as a Town resident as a "conduit" to promote improved cell tower service in Chester. Ed reported that the Town's electrical Eversource invoices for September were submitted to Titan Energy, CCM's Cooperative consultant. Ed spoke with Brenden Kearney, Titan's municipal account manager on October 9th. The CCM/Titan Energy Program agreement will be sent to Chester next week for review and signing by Selectman Janecek's schedule is to get Chester's Eversource municipal accounts switched to the CCM cooperative supply pricing beginning with the November

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billing cycle. Ed reported despite multiple requests from the Energy's Team DEEP has not provided a scope of work (project management plan) for the EV charging station \$33,592 grant award to Chester, June 26, 2023, these grant requirements must be clarified before the RFP for the 20 Water Street charging station can be issued. Ed reported North Main Street Reconstruction STEAP project is progressing on schedule. This morning's meeting was on-site with N.L. Jacobson's project engineers to confirm survey information and numerous initial design drawing details for new roadway. Ed suggested for October 25th BOS meeting agenda item for ARPA project status. Charlene reported no responses received for Request for Proposals for 59 Winthrop Road property sale, will continue to advertise RFP.

ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted,

Jenny Watrous