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MINUTES April 7, 2008

CALL TO ORDER: The regular meeting of the Trumbull Town Council was called to order at 8:05 p.m. by Chairman Mark Altieri. All present joined in a moment of silence and the pledge of allegiance.

ROLL CALL: The clerk called the roll and recorded it as follows:

Dan Marconi	Jeffrey Jenkins	Matt Reale
Michael Rappa	John Rotondo	Kathleen Bivona
Suzanne Testani	John DelVecchio, Jr.	Michael London
Jane Deyoe	Debbie Lamberti	Carl Massaro
Robert Pescatore, Jr.	Perry Molinoff	Chad Ciocci
Mary Beth Thornton	Mark Altieri	Dan Helfrich
Cheryl Bochet	Martha Mark	Anthony Scinto

ABSENT: None

* Chairman Mark Altieri exercised his right not to vote unless otherwise noted.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The Minutes of the March 3, 2008 meeting were accepted as presented with unanimous consent.

DISCUSSION ITEM: THS Renovation Project and Building Committee Report

Trumbull High School Building Committee Chairman Jim Nugent explained he hopes the construction phase of the addition will be closed out soon. Regarding the renovation project, there is pending litigation that was brought by Fletcher-Thompson. We are waiting for the Judge to render his decision.

The committee advertised for a Construction Manager, and then interviewed the lowest bidder. They have checked the references. If it is determined that this company does not qualify, then the committee will look at the next lowest bidder.

While waiting for the Judge's decision, the committee can go out to bid for an Owner's Representative on the project. An Owner's Representative looks out solely for the Town's interest and is similar to a Clerk of the Works. Typically this person would help expedite the process as well as follow the finances and make sure the funds are coming in and going out properly.

Item 1. RESOLUTION TC22-40: Moved by Ms. Mark, seconded by Mr. Jenkins

BE IT RESOLVED, That the recommendation by the First Selectman to appoint Nancy Ross, 102 Coventry Lane, as a member of the Ethics Commission, be and the same, is hereby approved for a term extending to the first Monday in December, 2012.

Committee report: R&R Committee met on March 31, 2008 and voted 4-0 to recommend.

2/3 affirmative vote required for passage.

VOTE: Adopted unanimously

Item 2. RESOLUTION TC22-41: Moved by Mr. Ciocci, seconded by Mr. Pescatore

BE IT RESOLVED, That Douglas Doyle, 128 Booth Hill Road is hereby appointed as a member of the Trumbull High School Building Committee.

Committee report: R&R Committee met on March 31, 2008 and amended Mr. Doyle's name to Douglas C. Doyle. They voted 4-0 to recommend as amended.

The Chairman recognized the committee report as an amendment.

VOTE: Passed unanimously

VOTE: Adopted unanimously as amended

Moved by Mr. Jenkins, seconded by Mr. Massaro to make this emergency legislation so Mr. Doyle can participate in the committee's next meeting.

VOTE: Carried unanimously

Item 3. RESOLUTION TC22-42: Held in Committee

Item 4. RESOLUTION TC22-43: Moved by Mr. Marconi, seconded by Mr. DelVecchio

BE IT RESOLVED, That Raymond G. Baldwin, Jr., First Selectman of the Town of Trumbull, is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of this municipal corporation an Open Space Grant Agreement or Personal Services Agreement with the State of Connecticut for financial assistance for various recreation, open space areas, conservation and various improvements to the quality of life for the citizens of the Town.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That Raymond G. Baldwin, Jr., First Selectman of the Town of Trumbull is hereby authorized to enter into such agreements, contracts and execute all documents necessary to said grant with the State of Connecticut.

BE IT FURTHER KNOWN, That Raymond G. Baldwin, Jr. was re-elected First Selectman for a term of office extending to December, 2009. As the First Selectman, Raymond G. Baldwin, Jr. serves as the Chief Executive Officer for Trumbull, and is duly authorized to enter into agreements and contracts on behalf of the Town of Trumbull.

Ms. Bivona left the room at 8:23 p.m.

Committee report: L&A Committee met on March 31, 2008 and voted 4-0 to recommend.

VOTE: Adopted 19-0

Ms. Bivona returned to the meeting at 8:24 p.m.

Item 5. RESOLUTION TC22-44: Moved by Mr. Molinoff, seconded by Mr. Reale

BE IT RESOLVED, That First Selectman Raymond G. Baldwin, Jr. is hereby authorized to apply and sign for, on behalf of the Town of Trumbull, a grant award in the amount of \$30,000 for trails at Great Oak Park.

Committee report: L&A Committee met on March 31, 2008 and voted 4-0 to recommend.

VOTE: Adopted unanimously

Item 6. RESOLUTION TC22-45: Moved by Mr. Jenkins, seconded by Mr. Massaro

WHEREAS, pursuant to Urban Act, the Connecticut Department of Economic and Community Development is authorized to extend financial assistance for economic development projects; and

WHEREAS, it is desirable and in the public interest that the Town of Trumbull make an application to the State for \$20,000 in order to undertake the repairs to the Helen Plumb Building and to execute an Assistance Agreement.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE Trumbull Town Council:

1. That it is cognizant of the conditions and prerequisites for the state financial assistance imposed by Urban Act;
2. That the filing of an application for State financial assistance by the Town of Trumbull in an amount not to exceed \$20,000 is hereby approved and that Raymond G. Baldwin, Jr., First Selectman is directed to execute and file such application with the Connecticut Department of Economic and Community Development, to provide such additional information, to execute such other

documents as may be required, to execute an Assistance Agreement with the State of Connecticut for State financial assistance if such an agreement is offered, to execute any amendments, decisions, and revisions thereto, and to act as the authorized representative of the Town of Trumbull; and

3. That it hereby adopts or has adopted as its policy to support the following nondiscrimination agreements and warranties required under subsection (a)(1) of Connecticut General Statutes sections 4a-60a, respectively, as amended by Public Act 07-245 and sections 9(a)(1) and 10(a)(1) of Public Act 07-142 and, for which purposes the “contractor” is the Town of Trumbull and “contract” is said Assistance Agreement: the contractor agrees and warrants that in the performance of the contract such contractor will not discriminate or permit discrimination against any person or group of persons on the grounds of race, color, religious creed, age, marital status, national origin, ancestry, sex, mental retardation or physical disability, including, but not limited to, blindness, unless it is shown by such contractor that such disability prevents performance of the work involved, in any manner prohibited by the laws of the United States or of the State of Connecticut.

The contractor further agrees to take affirmative action to insure that applicants with job-related qualifications are employed and that employees are treated when employed without regard to their race, color, religious creed, age, marital status, national origin, ancestry, sex, mental retardation, or physical disability, including, but not limited to, blindness, unless it is shown by such contractor that such disability prevents performance of the work involved.

Committee report: L&A Committee met on March 31, 2008 and voted 4-0 to recommend.

With unanimous consent, Council amended the phrase “marital status” to read as “marital status” in paragraph 2 of section 3 of the resolution.

State Representative Tom Christiano was recognized for his efforts in securing this grant and it was noted that he also helped secure the grant for Great Oaks Park.

VOTE: Passed unanimously

VOTE: Adopted unanimously as amended

Item 7. **RESOLUTION TC22-46:** Moved by Ms. Bochet, seconded by Mr. Marconi

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Town of Trumbull hereby adopts as its policy to support the nondiscrimination agreements and warranties required under Connecticut General Statutes §4a-60(a)(1) and §4a-60(a)(1), as amended in State of Connecticut Public Act 07-245 and sections 9(a)(1) and 10(a)(1) of Public Act 07-142.

Committee report: L&A Committee met on March 31, 2008 and voted 4-0 to recommend.

With unanimous consent, Council amended the word "Statues" in line 3 to "Statutes".

VOTE: Carried unanimously

VOTE: Adopted unanimously as amended

Item 8. RESOLUTION TC22-47: Moved by Ms. Testani, seconded by Ms. Bivona

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Purchase and Sale Agreement between the Town of Trumbull and Richard W. Ruby for a piece or parcel of vacant land opposite #16 Priscilla Place, a more complete description of which is set forth on Schedule A attached hereto and made a part thereof, is hereby approved for consideration of \$21,650.

Committee report: L&A Committee met on March 31, 2008 and voted 4-0 to recommend.

Dan Kryzanski, Land Acquisition Committee Chairman explained the parcel is to the left of the front entrance on Priscilla Place. It is flat and approximately 50' x 80' and could be used for picnic tables or outdoor activities. He explained that no independent appraisal had been done because the offering price was slightly more than what the Town had assessed the value of the property on the field card. He believes the price is fair.

Moved by Ms. Deyoe, seconded by Mr. Pescatore to table until a current assessment can be done.

VOTE: Passed 13-7-1 (Opposed: Ciocci, Jenkins, Massaro, Mark, Reale, Bochet, Altieri; Abstention: DelVecchio)

* Chairman Altieri voted on this item.

Item 9. RESOLUTION TC22-48: Moved by Mr. Helfrich, seconded by Mr. DelVecchio

BE IT RESOLVED, That \$50,000 is hereby appropriated from the unreserved fund balance to EMS Salaries/P-T 01022600-51102.

Committee report: R&R Committee met on March 31, 2008 and voted 3-1-1 (Opposed: London; Abstention: Molinoff) to recommend.

Vi Watson, Chairman of the EMS Commission explained that the revenue they bring in goes to the general fund, not to EMS.

VOTE: Adopted 19-1 (Opposed: London)

Item 10. RESOLUTION TC22-49: Moved by Mr. Scinto, seconded by Mr. London

BE IT RESOLVED, That \$9,000 is hereby appropriated from the unreserved fund balance to Police Traffic Lights 01022000-590015.

Committee report: R& R Committee met on March 31, 2008 and voted 5-0 to recommend.

VOTE: Adopted 19-0-1 (Abstention: DelVecchio)

Item 11. RESOLUTION TC22-50: Moved by DelVecchio, seconded by Ms. Thornton

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Town of Trumbull Fair Housing Resolution, be and the same, is hereby adopted.

**TOWN OF TRUMBULL
FAIR HOUSING RESOLUTION**

Whereas, All American citizens are afforded a right to full and equal housing opportunities in the neighborhood of their choice; and

Whereas, State and Federal Fair Housing laws require that all individuals, regardless of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, ancestry, marital status, age, mental or physical disability, lawful source of income, sexual orientation, familial status, be given equal access to rental and homeownership opportunities, and be allowed to make free choices regarding housing location; and

Whereas, The **Town of Trumbull** is committed to upholding these laws, and realizes that these laws must be supplemented by an Affirmative Statement publicly endorsing the right of all people to full and equal housing opportunities in the neighborhood of their choice.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the **Town of Trumbull** hereby endorses a Fair Housing Policy to ensure equal opportunity for all persons to rent, purchase and obtain financing for adequate housing of their choice on a non-discriminatory basis: and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the First Selectman of the Town of Trumbull or his/her designated representative is responsible for responding to and assisting any person who alleges to be the victim of an illegal discriminatory housing practices in the Town of Trumbull.

Adopted by the **Town of Trumbull** on _____.

Committee report: L&A Committee met on March 31, 2008 and voted 4-0 to recommend.

VOTE: Adopted unanimously

Item 12. RESOLUTION TC22-51: Moved by Ms. Lamberti, seconded by Mr. London

BE IT RESOLVED, That a Fair Housing Policy Statement, be and the same, is hereby adopted. (STATEMENT ATTACHED)

Committee report: L&A Committee met on March 31, 2008 and voted 4-0 to recommend.

VOTE: Adopted unanimously

Item 13. RESOLUTION TC22-52: Moved by Ms. Bivona, seconded by Mr. Molinoff

BE IT RESOLVED, That Compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, be and the same, is hereby adopted. (STATEMENT ATTACHED)

Committee report: Committee report: L&A Committee met on March 31, 2008 and voted 4-0 to recommend.

VOTE: Adopted unanimously

New Business:

Mr. Scinto submitted an ordinance re: Tax Credit

Mr. Scinto submitted an ordinance re: Vehicle Use

Mr. Scinto submitted an ordinance re: Great Oak Park Open Space

Mr. Helfrich moved to adjourn, seconded by Mr. DeVecchio. With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m. with unanimous consent.

Respectfully submitted,

Lorrie Lusebrink,
Council Clerk