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MINUTES
JANUARY 6, 2020

CALL TO ORDER: The Chair called the special meeting to order at 7:35 p.m. 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:

<u>PRESENT</u> :	Dawn Cantafio	Eric Paulson	Joanne Glasser Orenstein
	Lisa Valenti	Bill Mecca (Arrived at 7:38 p.m.)	
	Mary Beth Thornton	Donna Seidell	Kevin Shively
	Mary Isaac	Mike Miller	Tony Scinto
	Joy Colon	Steve Lemoine	Bruce Elstein
	Joe Gerics	Ashley Gaudiano	Thomas Whitmoyer
	Jason Marsh	Keith Klain	Carl A. Massaro, Jr.
	Lori Rosasco-Schwartz		

ALSO

PRESENT: First Selectman Vicki A. Tesoro, Chief Administrative Officers Cynthia Katske, Kathleen McGannon, Town Attorney Daniel Schopick, and Director of Labor Relations James Haselkamp

*The Chair reserved the right not to vote unless otherwise noted.

PUBLIC COMMENT: There were two (2) people present to speak (Public Comment Attached)

MINUTES:

Moved by Cantafio, seconded by Mecca to approve the December 2019 organizational meeting minutes.

VOTE: Motion CARRIED 17-0-3 (ABSTENTION: Elstein, Massaro, Rosasco-Schwartz)

Moved by Cantafio, seconded by Mecca to approve the December 11, 2019 special meeting minutes.

VOTE: Motion CARRIED 18-0-2 (ABSTENTION: Klain, Rosasco)

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Recognition of THS Girls Volleyball Team: First Selectman Vicki A. Tesoro recognized and congratulated the THS Girls Volleyball Team. Trumbull is proud of the team. First Selectman Tesoro was able to see the games noting they were very impressive. The Eagles never dropped the set in the State tournament winning every game 3-0 with a total of 15-0, which is incredible. First Selectman Tesoro presented a proclamation to the team and declared January 6, 2020 Trumbull Girls Volleyball Team Day.

Veterans Center Presentation by Ray Baldwin: Raymond Baldwin, Jr. of 700 Booth Hill Road was present and indicated he is a Marine Corps veteran and a member of both Trumbull's Foreign Wars Post 10059 and American Legion's Post 141. He was joined by VFW Post Commander Roy Molgard also a US Marine Corp veteran and American Legion Post Commander Ernie Foydo a US Coast Guard veteran. In addition Police Chief Michael Lombard was present, as well as EMS Director Leigh Goodman, Rotary Club Vice President Vince Fini, members of both veteran's posts and their family and friends.

Mr. Baldwin was asked to chair an exploratory committee to see if it was feasible to build a new veteran's center on the existing site on Whitney Avenue. The Veterans Association has approximately 62 years remaining on the 99 year lease granted by the Town of Trumbull in 1981. They are asking for support for a new Veteran's Center to be added to the Town of Trumbull's Capital Projects' list. The building on the site has been condemned by the Fire Marshal, the Health Department and the Town Engineer as being beyond repair. The floor has collapsed several feet and the mechanicals and plumbing are outdated and unserviceable. It has been moth-balled for over two years. More than 3,000 veterans have been without a facility and hopes they will be able to construct a new building on the site that will serve their needs, provide medical services for returning veterans, offer space for training and a conference facility for the police dept., EMS and fire departments. The police dept.'s scuba team and the fire dept.'s water rescue squad train in Katz's pond. In addition a new building will provide a place for Town boards, commissions and local service groups to meet. It will allow the veteran's organizations to conduct vital fundraising such as bingo and rentals so they can continue to carry out their respective missions. They have established there is city water onsite, ample space for a new septic and parking. The Town has allocated funding for the dredging of the pond. He has spoken to Mary Ellen Lemay of the Conservation Commission and she will assist them with landscaping and site design. They have met with state and federal delegations. They have agreed to assist them in finding government funding for this project. Rina Bakalar Director of Economic Development and Attorney John Wilcox will be researching private and corporate grant opportunities that may already exist.

If the Council votes to add this to the Capital List a clear message will be sent, one that the Trumbull values and honors every day of the year the sacrifices made by the men and women that have served our country. He thanked former longtime Trumbull resident George Wiles of Wiles & Associates Architecture and Greg Raucci of Bismark Construction for volunteering their expertise and time in preparing the initial renderings and cost estimates for the project. Without their assistance they wouldn't be in this position to make this request. They have a site,

a plan, a budget and there is support. On behalf of the 3,000 veterans he asked for the Council's vote and support.

Dan Sacco of 10 Mistywood Lane and a Vietnam veteran representing the VFW American Region Post was present. He is proud to represent the veterans. When he looks at those that attend their meetings he sees many who have received the Purple Heart. The meetings are held at the Trumbull Library which is not always conducive to their meetings. The other post meets at the Helen Plumb Building which has its own issues such as how dark the street is where you park. At all meetings the commander always turns to an empty chair to remember the POW's and MIA's that are still missing in action. They will not be forgotten. The meetings always conclude with Taps to remember those that never got to live their life because they paid the ultimate sacrifice. This Town remembers, our Memorial Day parade is second to none. On Veteran's Day he has gone to the schools and been with the children. When they signed the 99 year lease no one knew the structure was not sound and that the building would have to come down. The question is what can go in its place. The idea is a multi-use building where heroes in Town and our first responders will share the building. As you make your decision the posts will stand side-by-side to build this building. He thanked the Council for their support and whatever is needed by them can be counted on to do it.

Police Chief Michael Lombardo was present and indicated the Police Department is in need of a training room. They have their line-up room that is currently used for training, it holds 20-25 people and is the largest room in the department, but it doesn't accommodate them or have enough room. The parking is not sufficient as well. There is only 6-8 visitor parking space. The department would utilize the new Center. They have their outdoor firing range at Indian Ledge which is very close by so they would be able to combine training at the new building and be next to the firing range. This will work for them by giving them another place although it isn't at the police department, which would be the best, but understands that would be quite an undertaking. From the Police Department's standpoint this would be very helpful within-house and regional training.

Mr. George Wiles and Miriah Rimerez presented the attached power point. Mr. Wiles stated he was humbled to stand before so many that have served our country. He was brought up by many who have served, his father and all his uncles have served our country.

Mr. Wiles explained the existing one-story structure is on its last legs. Katz's pond is a huge asset. They are proposing a:

- One-story structure
- 4,500 sf
- Vestibule Entrance
- Memorial Gallery
- Toilet Facilities on either side
- Warm-up Kitchen (non-cooking)
- Mechanical Area
- Beverage Counter
- Gathering Room in the Center (accommodating 125-150 people)
- Learning Center Wing, Resource Room and a Computer Room

- A dock

They want to integrate the veterans and the community. This facility will provide that. The Learning Center will be set up for multi-functional learning. Walls would be movable to accommodate more people.

The building addresses three things:

- It will be a place to gather
- A place to learn
- A place of fellowship and comradery

They were able to do this by adding a deck overlooking the pond, a fireplace, and a covered fire pit area. Mr. Wiles presented a fly-view of the property.

Mr. Baldwin explained this will not be your typical VFW Hall, there will not be an operating bar. The beverage counter will be strictly for events only. There will be no liquor license taken out for the purpose of dispensing alcohol on site. They didn't think that would be a good feature to put into a residential neighborhood.

The cost estimates are \$2.4 to \$2.8 million to this project. They aren't asking for bonding now, they would like to look for opportunities with the state, federal government, private donors and corporations. The Foyer area could be an opportunity for people who want to make a donation and be recognized in the lobby of the building. This is a community building that has opportunity for many organizations in Town to find a place to gather.

Vince Fini President of 29 Essex Lane and Rotary Club was present and indicated they are the largest club in their district. During the course of the year they donate to grants to various non-profit organizations, scholarships and to Trumbull graduating seniors. Almost \$100,000. Virtually every dollar they raise is given back to the community. They have a passion for veteran causes and have long supported those organizations. This project is near and dear to their heart. It would be great to give them this much needed facility for the veterans and other civic organizations in Town as well. They do various fundraisers throughout the year and often have to go outside of Trumbull. This would be a great alternative for them and a great asset to the Town. They fully support the building of this facility.

Bruce Silverstone of 125 Whitney Avenue was present and spoke in favor of the project. He is a veteran who had served in the US Air Force from 1968-1972. He has been an EMT in Town for 20 years, the past chairman of the Long Hill Fire Commission for 5 years, served on the AYSO Board for 10 years, served on a number of other boards and assisted with a number of community efforts as necessary. As a veteran and as a community volunteer he believes this building will serve a critical need acting as a focal point for many organizations. Council members have an opportunity to create something terrific for the whole community. All of you can leave a legacy for others to follow and enjoy. He respectfully asked that the Council support this effort.

Nina Boynton of 107 Whitney Avenue was present and indicated she was in agreement with everything said at this meeting. There are people in Town who are interested in different designs. Mr. Baldwin explained the design is not finalized. She had done some research and would be

happy to provide the different designs. She likes the design but would like it to be a place not only for the veterans but for weddings, and art shows. She would like it to be able to make money and when it does they could give the kids more scholarship money, and give the volunteers more equipment. If this could be a location that is attractive, people will want to have events there. She sees an opportunity here where it will not only serve the veterans but to also serve the Town, make some money and be able to give it back to the community. She would be interested in looking at some other designs and hopes the Council gets behind this. Mr. Baldwin confirmed there would be opportunities to rent this out such as smaller weddings, bar mitzvahs and they are looking to do exactly what Ms. Boynton suggested. This could pay for itself over time.

Bill Bevaqua was present and has been a resident of Trumbull since 1967, over 50 years. He served in the US Air Force in Korea. In the early 70's he was state representative for Trumbull and what he learned was that of the 169 towns in the state Trumbull is considered one of the highest in reputation for being a well governed, forward thinking community that looks out for its citizens. This opportunity is incredible. It will enhance the reputation that Trumbull now enjoys. Trumbull likes to show itself off and justifiably so. It's a Town that has always embraced its citizens so people are proud to live here. The efforts this Council makes on this will be something you will take great pleasure for the rest of your careers.

Ernie Foydo Commander of the American Legion Post 141 was present. He is also the senior vice-commander of the VFW Post 10059. He moved to Town 45 years ago, but wasn't involved then. Once he was he found there are many fine veterans in Town that used the old facility more than you think. Even though it is closed, he still finds a veteran sitting in his car just enjoying the tranquility of the pond and reading a newspaper. This means a lot to them and asked that the Council consider this. They have 140 members, 20 of which are WWII Veterans. They pick up their dues every year to pay back for what they did for us. The only income they have now is the distribution of poppies. Every cent of that goes out to the Town. They used to give more but had to reduce the amounts because they just don't have the fundraising opportunities. They present Americanism medals to the elementary school children. It's a great feeling to do so and that the kids know what they are for. That is what they are here for to teach the children. Everything they contribute comes from the poppy money. If the Council considers this, he knows they will continue to make all proud of the veterans of Trumbull.

The Chair extended her gratitude to all that came out to this meeting. Trumbull thanks you is proud of all their service and thanked them for the presentation and for taking the time.

Redistricting: The Chair stated this is still being considered and being worked on. There will be a public forum held on Saturday, January 25, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers of the Trumbull Town Hall.

Aquatics Facilities Building Committee Report: Mr. Jason Marsh, Chairman of the Aquatics Facilities Building Committee was present and indicated the last time he had reported to the Council they had as a committee determined a concept design and presented renderings. Nothing has changed in that regard. Since that time the Committee investigated the two sites and whether the Beach Memorial Park was a feasible site. Soil sampling was done as well as the wetlands

flagging. It has been determined that based on the current projected site, the building would be in a protected area but would not impact the wetlands directly. If it is placed there the project would need to go before the IWWC Commission. It is not within the wetlands.

During the course of their meetings they have been in consultation with the Senior Center and Library Building Committee regarding the survey. They discussed the survey and have received funds from the BOF to do so. There was an extensive debate amongst the Committee on the Aquatics side of where they were vs. the other building committee, the perceived importance of the survey and whether the Committee wanted to focus on one site or to keep two sites. After extensive debate the Committee voted to forego the survey, which was a highly contested item and to present the preferred site, currently the Beach Memorial site. He was here to inform the Council of these developments and is looking for guidance on how they want the Committee to proceed. There are differing opinions on the Committee and is asking for feedback on both points.

Ms. Cantafio spoke in favor of a combined survey and to get that to the people to vote on. If the survey is only on the Senior Center and Library it will not be transparent. She spoke in favor of having all the information out to the public at the same time to give them the opportunity to vote.

Ms. Valenti spoke in favor of Ms. Cantafio's comments, but the pool is a need not a want because we keep putting money into an outdated pool. We need to get a pulse on the community of whether they want to go forward and correct the problem at Hillcrest.

Mr. Marsh added that the Committee is in the process of soliciting bids to have professional estimation work done based on the concept plans to further solidify the cost estimate of the project. Preliminary estimates with the architect are in the \$11 million range, but needs an engineer's estimate to inform the public.

Ms. Gaudiano stated the survey has been promised for quite some time and feels strongly that needs to be done. Having 2 of the 3 Committees survey the public would be missing the holistic view of the projects. If there are two viable sites that needs to go out to the public as well.

Mr. Klain watched the Committee meeting video. There was discussion regarding the site, there is much more information for the public to know such as design and usage of the facility.

Ms. Cantafio suggested asking Atty. Schopick whether a resolution is needed to have the Committee move forward with the survey. Atty. Schopick stated if they were to vote they would need to put forward a resolution and move to add it the agenda.

Moved by Cantafio seconded by Whitmoyer to add the following resolution to the agenda, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Town Council hereby directs the Aquatics facilities Building Committee and the Community Facilities Building Committee to jointly commission a community survey in order to determine if the citizens of Trumbull either or both projects.

Mr. Massaro stated such a resolution hasn't been noticed to the public, we could suspend the rules and do this however the public isn't notified.

Mr. Marsh agreed with Mr. Massaro. Hearing from the Council tonight he feels comfortable going back to the Committee and telling them the charge from the Council is to do the survey. If the Committee is against it strongly they will be back for the resolution. The Chair doesn't feel a resolution is necessary. Mr. Marsh is confident the Committee would not defy the will of the Council. If the Council tells them to survey they will survey.

Ms. Cantafio withdrew her motion.

Mr. Marsh confirmed the sites as follows:

Originally they looked at these locations.

High School campus/Hillcrest

Tashua Knolls Recreation area

Beach Memorial

The Committee's preferred site is Beach Memorial. His personal favorite was the Hillcrest site. There was substantial BOE concern building on BOE property. Hillcrest is still a viable option but the Committee wanted to investigate Beach Memorial. They've determined it can be built there. Mr. Marsh stated that there were residents from the Pinewood Lake Association present at this meeting. They have gone to several of the Committee meetings to listen and present their concerns. The Committee will take that into account. There is community involvement with the Beach Memorial site. It's the only site that has been soil sampled. There are less geotechnical concerns on the Hillcrest site.

Mr. Marsh indicated for Mr. Shively that the two committees had a joint meeting a couple meetings ago. Going forward with the survey there will be other collaborative meetings with the other committee. It will be a comprehensive user-friendly survey. It has to be done in such a way to generate the biggest response.

The Chair noted the Council appreciates transparency and as we move forward will continue to be transparent and with the surveys the people will have an opportunity to voice their agreement or disagreement.

Redistricting Cont'd:

Mr. Scinto called point of order. The Chair confirmed for Mr. Scinto that the Redistricting Community Forum will have what has been developed to date. This has been in study for two years. The Council doesn't have a redistricting committee. Atty. Schopick stated whether there is a redistricting committee is within the purview of the Council. What is required is an amendment to the Municipal Code which would be done by the Council. (Ms. Bakalar left the meeting at 8:24 p.m.) Atty. Schopick stated a Redistricting Committee is not a requirement, a Council committee is required when a resolution is submitted. Mr. Klain clarified the meeting on 01/25/2020 is a community forum to discuss 7 districts and people will be able to present. The decision of a committee on this is under the purview of the Council and it has yet to be decided of whether a committee will be formed but it is not a requirement. Atty. Schopick confirmed for Mr. Scinto the ordinance is not in the Charter. Ms. Gaudiano stated this would go through one of the established Council committees.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. RESOLUTION TC28-3: Moved by Massaro, seconded by Cantafio
BE IT RESOLVED and ORDAINED, That Section 2-513(b) of the Municipal Code is hereby repealed and replaced. (Full Ordinance Attached) (*Public Hearing January 6, 2020 Town Council*)

Committee Report: The R&R Committee met on December 30, 2019 and voted unanimously.

The Chair OPENED the Public Hearing at 8:55 p.m.

The Chair CLOSED the Public Hearing at 8:56 p.m.

VOTE: ADOPTED unanimously

2. RESOLUTION TC28-4: Moved by Valenti, seconded by Rosasco-Schwartz
BE IT RESOLVED, That Vince Fini of 29 Essex Lane is hereby reappointed to the Education & Government Access Television Committee for a term extending to the first Monday of December 2022.

Committee Report: The R&R Committee met on December 30, 2019 and voted 5-1.

Mr. Schively noted this a commission not a committee.

Moved by Shively, seconded by Massaro to amend the resolution to read as Commission.

VOTE: Motion CARRIED unanimously.

Mr. Shively had served on this with Mr. Fini and spoke in favor of Mr. Fini. He was someone who everyone across party lines could work with.

VOTE: ADOPTED as amended unanimously.

3. RESOLUTION TC28-5: Moved by Isaac, seconded by Cantafio
BE IT RESOLVED, That the recommendation of the First Selectman to appoint Andrew Lubin of 55 Killian Avenue, be and the same is hereby approved as a member of the Ethics Commission for a term extending to the first Monday of December 2024. (2/3 Vote of the Town Council)

Committee Report: The R&R Committee met on December 30, 2019 and voted unanimously.

Atty. Schopick confirmed for Mr. Massaro the changing of commission's composition would not affect the handling of a current complaint. Ms. Giles moved out of Town and is unable to serve, one is an alternate being moved to a full member. There are enough people from the present proceedings to serve if it goes to a hearing.

VOTE: ADOPTED unanimously

Moved by Cantafio, seconded by Glasser-Orenstein to PASS as Emergency Legislation.
(Ms. Gaudiano left the meeting at 9:07 p.m.)
VOTE: Motion CARRIED unanimously

4. RESOLUTION TC28-6: Moved by Lemoine, seconded by Elstein
BE IT RESOLVED, That the recommendation of the First Selectman to appoint John Walkley of 91 Hill Circle, be and the same is hereby approved as a member of the Ethics Commission for a term extending to the first Monday of December 2023. (2/3 Vote of the Town Council)

Committee Report: The R&R Committee met on December 30, 2019 and voted unanimously. (Ms. Gaudiano returned to the meeting at 9:08 p.m.)

VOTE: ADOPTED unanimously

Moved by Cantafio, seconded by Glasser-Orenstein to PASS as Emergency Legislation.
VOTE: Motion CARRIED unanimously

5. RESOLUTION TC28-7: Moved by Whitmoyer, seconded by Mecca
BE IT RESOLVED, That the recommendation of the First Selectman to appoint Martin McCann of 63 Teeter Rock Road, be and the same is hereby approved as an alternate member of the Ethics Commission for a term extending to the first Monday of December 2020. (2/3 Vote of the Town Council)

Committee Report: The R&R Committee met on December 30, 2019 and voted unanimously.

VOTE: ADOPTED 17-4 (AGAINST: Lemoine, Scinto, Rosasco-Schwartz, Massaro)
*The Chair voted.

Moved by Cantafio, seconded by Glasser-Orenstein to PASS as Emergency Legislation.
VOTE: Motion CARRIED 19-0-1 (ABSTENTION: Scinto)

6. RESOLUTION TC28-8: Moved by Mecca, seconded by Cantafio
BE IT RESOLVED, That Tony Scinto of 32 Lindberg Drive, be and the same is hereby appointed as a Town Council representative on the Aquatics Facilities Building Committee.

Committee Report: The R&R Committee met on December 30, 2019 and voted 2-4.

Mr. Massaro stated Mr. Scinto would replace a former republican Council member. By tradition the party nominee has always been accepted by the Council. He understands there may be some concern with regard to his outspoken opinion about a pool. He brings a different perspective to the committee and the committee would be well served to hear from him on his issues and concerns of the development of the pool and respectfully asked for support of his nomination. The Chair stated it has not always been the case that the nominee was put through.

Mr. Mecca stated he voted against this in committee because he believed Mr. Scinto could provide his perspective as a Council member. He does have that forum. If there is a need for a different perspective it could come from a different source, not the committee.

VOTE: FAILED 5-13-2 (In Favor: Massaro, Seidell, Rosasco-Schwartz, Scinto, Lemoine) (Abstention: Whitmoyer, Valenti)

7. RESOLUTION TC28-9: Moved by, Marsh, seconded by Cantafio
BE IT RESOLVED, That Resolution TC27-89 is hereby amended to expand the Community Facilities Building Committee membership to ten members, including two (2) Town Council members, provided that such members shall not be from the same political party, and eight (8) electors of the Town of Trumbull.

Committee Report: The R&R Committee met on December 30, 2019 and voted unanimously.

VOTE: ADOPTED 18-2 (AGAINST: Lemoine, Scinto)

Moved by Cantafio, seconded by Miller to PASS as Emergency Legislation.

VOTE: Motion CARRIED 18-2 (AGAINST: Lemoine, Scinto)

8. RESOLUTION TC28-10: Moved by Elstein, seconded by Cantafio
BE IT RESOLVED, That Ted Chase of 27 Francis Street, be and the same is hereby appointed as a member of the Community Facilities Building Committee.

Committee Report: The R&R Committee met on December 30, 2019 and voted unanimously.

VOTE: ADOPTED 19-1 (AGAINST: Scinto)

Moved by Cantafio, seconded by Glasser-Orenstein to PASS as Emergency Legislation.

VOTE: Motion CARRIED 19-1 (AGAINST: Scinto)

9. RESOLUTION TC28-11: Moved by Seidell, seconded by Cantafio
BE IT RESOLVED, That Steve Lemoine of 46 Pert Street, be and the same is hereby appointed as a Town Council representative on the Community Facilities Building Committee.

Committee Report: The R&R Committee met on December 30, 2019 and voted unanimously.

VOTE: ADOPTED unanimously.

Moved by Cantafio, seconded by Rosasco-Schwartz to PASS as Emergency Legislation.

VOTE: Motion CARRIED unanimously.

10. RESOLUTION TC28-12: Moved by Geric, seconded by Cantafio
BE IT RESOLVED, That Christine El Eris of 4956 Madison Avenue, be and the same is hereby appointed as a Board of Finance Alternate for a term extending to the first Monday of December 2022.

Committee Report: The R&R Committee met on December 30, 2019 and voted unanimously.

Moved by Marsh, seconded by Paulson to amend to read as 4955 Madison Avenue.
VOTE: Motion CARRIED unanimously.

VOTE: ADOPTED 19-1 (AGAINST: Scinto)

Moved by Cantafio, seconded by Glasser-Orenstein to PASS as Emergency Legislation.
VOTE: Motion CARRIED 19-1 (AGAINST: Scinto)

11. RESOLUTION TC28-13: Moved by Colon, seconded by Cantafio
BE IT RESOLVED, That Marc Mascola of 94 Old Tree Farm Lane, be and the same is hereby appointed as a Board of Finance Alternate for a term extending to the first Monday of December 2021.

Committee Report: The R&R Committee met on December 30, 2019 and voted 4-0-2.

Moved by Rosasco-Schwartz, seconded by Massaro to amend by inserting the name Scott Zimov of 25 Jog Hill Road.

Ms. Rosasco-Schwartz means no disrespect to Mr. Mascola as she doesn't know him and doesn't believe she has ever met him. Mr. Zimov is qualified for this role. He has an extensive background in finance as he laid out in public comment. He has been working in banking for 17 years primarily at Bank of America, has directly related and proven experience in his expertise in lending, investments and underwriting. He has served for 4 years on the BOF, bringing an extensive knowledge of the Town's finances, budget and capital requirements which will allow him to hit the ground running during the current budget cycle. Republicans did nominate him for this based on his excellent qualifications and his recent and direct experience on the BOF. The administration chose to find another candidate. His nomination was placed on the agenda in third place after the other 2 nominations are voted on. That action would render his nomination moot. Based on prior words of the administration to make sure that each party would have appointed members of their own choosing, based on this and his experience she doesn't understand not appointing him and requested a roll call vote.

Mr. Marsh stated Mr. Zimov has served the Town with distinction and does not disagree with Ms. Rosasco-Schwartz. Mr. Zimov was an asset to the BOF, Mr. Mascola's resume is stellar as serving as comptroller to General Electric Corp. for 15 years, he is a CPA, his qualifications can't be disputed either, is a registered republican and is not political. He is

an upstanding citizen willing to serve and has stepped forward to serve a valuable position.

Ms. Gaudiano stated it is hard to get people to run for office, or to serve on boards and commissions. When we have the ability to encourage that by allowing new people to come into the fold no matter what their party is we should do so. Both are highly qualified and thanks Mr. Zimov for his service and is excited to have new people step forward.

Roll Call Vote:

Dawn Cantafio-No	Eric Paulson - No	Joanne Glasser Orenstein - Abstain
Lisa Valenti - Abstain	Bill Mecca - No	Mary Beth Thornton - No
Donna Seidell - Yes	Kevin Shively - No	Lori Rosasco-Schwartz - Yes
Mary Isaac - Abstain	Mike Miller - No	Tony Scinto - Yes
Joy Colon - No	Steve Lemoine - Yes	Bruce Elstein - No
Joe Gerics - No	Ashley Gaudiano – No	Thomas Whitmoyer - Abstain
Carl A. Massaro. Jr. - Yes	Jason Marsh - No	Keith Klain - No

VOTE: Motion FAILED 5-12-4 (In Favor: Massaro, Rosasco-Schwartz, Seidell, Scinto, Lemoine) (ABSTENTION: Valenti, Glasser-Orenstein, Whitmoyer, Isaac)

*The Chair voted.

VOTE: ADOPTED 15-5 (AGAINST: Massaro, Rosasco-Schwartz, Seidell, Scinto, Lemoine)

Moved by Cantafio, seconded by Glasser-Orenstein to PASS as Emergency Legislation.

VOTE: Motion CARRIED 16-4 (AGAINST: Scinto, Rosasco-Schwartz, Massaro, Lemoine)

12. RESOLUTION TC28-14: BE IT RESOLVED, That Scott Zimov of 25 Jog Hill Road, be and the same is hereby appointed as a Board of Finance Alternate for a term extending to the first Monday of December 2022.

Rendered moot.

13. RESOLUTION TC28-15: Moved by Glasser-Orenstein, seconded by Gaudiano
BE IT RESOLVED, That the appointment by the First Selectman of Angelo Cordone of 152 Booth Hill Road, be and the same is hereby approved as a Golf Course Commission member for a term extending to the first Monday of 2022.

Committee Report: The R&R Committee met on December 30, 2019 and voted unanimously.

VOTE: ADOPTED 19-1 (AGAINST: Scinto)

Moved by Cantafio, seconded by Glasser-Orenstein to PASS as Emergency Legislation.

VOTE: Motion CARRIED 19-1 (AGAINST: Scinto)

14. RESOLUTION TC28-16: Moved by Miller, seconded by Gaudio
BE IT RESOLVED, That the reappointment by the First Selectman of Diane Wheeler of 184 Hilltop Circle, be and the same is hereby approved as a Golf Course Commission member for a term extending to the first Monday of December 2022.

Committee Report: The R&R Committee met on December 30, 2019 and voted unanimously.

VOTE: ADOPTED 19-1 (AGAINST: Scinto)

15. RESOLUTION TC28-17: Moved by Valenti, seconded by Elstein
BE IT RESOLVED, That the appointment by the First Selectman of Thomas Cerulli of 11 Thornwood Place, be and the same is hereby approved as Golf Course Commission member for a term extending to the first Monday of December 2022.

Committee Report: The R&R Committee met on December 30, 2019 and voted unanimously.

VOTE: ADOPTED unanimously.

Moved by Cantafio, seconded by Glasser-Orenstein to PASS as Emergency Legislation.
VOTE: Motion CARRIED unanimously

16. RESOLUTION TC28-18: Moved by Scinto, seconded by Cantafio
BE IT RESOLVED, That the reappointment by the First Selectman of John Lauria of 9 Providence Drive, be and the same is hereby approved as a member of the Inland Wetlands and Watercourse Commission for a term extending to the first Monday of December 2022.

Committee Report: The R&R Committee met on December 30, 2019 and voted unanimously.

VOTE: ADOPTED 19-1 (AGAINST: Scinto)

17. RESOLUTION TC28-19: Moved by Klain, seconded by Glasser-Orenstein
BE IT RESOLVED, That the reappointment by the First Selectman of Mark Mackeil of 27 Edgewood Avenue, be and the same is hereby approved as a member of the Inland Wetlands and Watercourse Commission for a term extending to the first Monday of December 2022.

Committee Report: The R&R Committee met on December 30, 2019 and voted unanimously.

VOTE: ADOPTED 19-1 (AGAINST: Scinto)

18. RESOLUTION TC28-20: Moved by Isaac, seconded by Massaro

BE IT RESOLVED, That the appointment of Donna Seidell of 132 Old Dike Road, be and the same is hereby approved as a Town Council representative of the Police Station Building Committee.

Committee Report: The R&R Committee met on December 30, 2019 and voted to send without recommendation unanimously.

Moved by Miller, seconded by Massaro amend to read as 182 Old Dike Road.
VOTE: Motion CARRIED unanimously.

VOTE: ADOPTED as amended unanimously.

Moved by Cantafio, seconded by Glasser-Orenstein to PASS as Emergency Legislation.
VOTE: Motion CARRIED unanimously.

19. RESOLUTION TC28-21: Withdrawn

20. RESOLUTION TC28-22: Moved by Elstein, seconded by Cantafio
BE IT RESOLVED, That the funding for a labor agreement between the Town of Trumbull and DPW Supervisors-UPSEU Local 424-Unit 105 beginning July 1, 2019 and ending June 30, 2022 is hereby approved.

Committee Report: The R&R Committee met on December 30, 2019 and voted unanimously.

VOTE: ADOPTED 19-1 (AGAINST: Scinto)

Moved by Cantafio, seconded by Glasser-Orenstein to PASS as Emergency Legislation.
VOTE: Motion CARRIED 19-1 (AGAINST: Scinto)

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to discuss the Trumbull Town Council adjourned by unanimous consent at 9:46 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Margaret D. Mastroni
Town Council Clerk

RESOLUTION TC28-3 - Full Ordinance

DIVISION 45. - TRUMBULL EDUCATION AND GOVERNMENT ACCESS TELEVISION COMMISSION

Sec. 2-510. - Creation.

Effective with the adoption of this Ordinance, there shall be the "Trumbull Education/Government Access Television Commission" (hereinafter referred to as the "Commission" or "Trumbull Community Television"). The Commission, also known as TCTV, will be comprised of representatives from the Town of Trumbull (the "Town"), Trumbull Board of Education ("BOE"), and residents.

The Commission shall elect a Chairperson and Vice Chairperson. The Commission may form subcommittees, comprised of commissioners, to address specific duties of the Commission.

(Res. No. TC26-114, §§ 1, 9, 3-6-17)

Sec. 2-511. - Program established; intent.

There is hereby established a program for the purpose of recording (video and audio), producing, editing, live broadcasting, re-broadcasting, Internet streaming and/or make available video-on-demand of Town education and government meetings, programs and events relevant to the Trumbull Community. The program may be utilized as part of the school curriculum for the instruction of television media production and shall provide residents of the Town the ability to view education and government meetings and events, as prescribed herein.

(Res. No. TC26-114, § 2, 3-6-17)

Sec. 2-512. - Powers; duties.

- (a) The Commission shall undertake programming, broadcast and on-demand services to the Town, so long as funds are appropriated, encumbered or designated for such operations.
- (b) The Commission will be responsible for the day-to-day operation of the station in accordance with the guidelines here set forth, and will operate under the supervision of the BOE and the Town, and as granted for use under the authority and guidelines of the CT Public Utilities Regulatory Authority.
- (c) In order to maintain said station, the Commission shall act as the oversight authority for all employees, contractors, vendors and volunteers needed to operate the station and may delegate to the TCTV Operations Manager the day-to-day responsibilities of said oversight authority. The Commission shall make recommendations to the First Selectman on station personnel selection, appointment, employment, and personnel matters.
- (d) The Commission shall be responsible for implementing, maintaining and enforcing the TCTV Policies and Procedures, as approved by the Board of Education and Town Council, and ensure that TCTV is in compliance with the policies, procedures, regulations and laws of other controlling governmental entities and cable service providers by recommending changes to the Policies and Procedures as needed.
- (e) The Commission shall also be responsible for drafting the annual budget request for the station in accordance with Town budget process and maintain an oversight and approval role in the management and expenditure of approved funds for the operation of the station.
- (f) The Commission is further charged with assuring that all Education and Government programming, consistent with its Policies and Procedures, is made available to the citizens of the Town.
- (g) The Commission shall be responsible for the custodial oversight of all equipment and shall adopt policies for the proper preservation and care of such equipment.

- (h) The Commission shall also maintain a liaison with the appointed representatives from the Town to the Charter Communications Cable Advisory Council Area Nineteen (19) in order to stay abreast of the dynamic public/education/government (PEG) environment and to provide the representative with the Commission's concerns.

(Res. No. TC26-114, § 3, 3-6-17)

Sec. 2-513. - Composition; appointment.

- (a) The Commission shall consist of five (5) voting members, who are electors and residents of the Town. No more than three (3) commissioners shall be registered members of the same political party. In addition to the five commissioners, the BOE shall appoint annually, two (2) non-voting representatives: A Program Administrator and a Technical advisor, to serve on the Commission and to assist in the coordination and execution of educational programming. The Town Director of Information Technology or his designee shall serve as the non-voting representative for Government programming.

The five (5) Commissioners shall be appointed by the First Selectman and approved by the Town Council and vacancies shall be appointed and approved in the same manner.

- (b) The voting member terms shall consist of staggered three-year terms, except as described below for the initial members of the board appointed following adoption of this chapter. The First Selectman shall appoint, with approval of Town Council, two (2) members to serve until the first Monday in December following the 2019 municipal election and three (3) members to serve until the first Monday following the 2021 municipal election.
- (c) No member of the Commission shall receive compensation.
- (d) A Commission member may be removed by a simple majority vote of the full Town Council for good cause. Failure to attend four (4) consecutive meetings without good reason shall constitute good cause per se for removal.

(Res. No. TC26-114, § 4, 3-6-17)

Sec. 2-514. - Programming; primary content.

- (a) School-specific and school-wide information, announcements, programs and events, as recommended by the BOE Program Administrator and approved by the Commission.
- (b) Record, broadcast, re-broadcast. Internet-stream and make available via video-on-demand, gavel-to-gavel, regularly scheduled and special legislative, executive, financial and land-use meetings of the Town as recommended by the Director of Information and Technology or his designee, and approved by the Commission specifically including, but not limited to:
 1. Town Council;
 2. Board of Finance;
 3. Planning and Zoning Commission;
 4. Inland Wetland and Watercourse Commission;
 5. Zoning Board of Appeals; and,
 6. Board of Education.

(Res. No. TC26-114, § 5, 3-6-17)

Sec. 2-515. - Secondary content.

The primary content shall be assigned, scheduled and appropriately funded, prior to the authorization of any secondary content coverage. Coverage of other town, government, school-related events, adult education events or federally produced Public Service Announcements may be authorized at the discretion of the Commission, provided that primary content coverage is not affected. The Commission shall not authorize the production of any other content or accept outside-produced content for broadcast.

(Res. No. TC26-114, § 6, 3-6-17)

Sec. 2-516. - Emergency programming.

The Commission shall provide for the timely broadcast and release of emergency bulletins properly decreed by the Public Safety authorities of the Town.

(Res. No. TC26-114, § 7, 3-6-17)

Sec. 2-517. - Special meeting programming.

Coverage of special meetings of primary content government and educational activities shall be at the discretion of the Commission, provided that primary content coverage shall not be affected.

(Res. No. TC26-114, § 8, 3-6-17)

Secs. 2-518—2-520. - Reserved.

1. Cindy Penkoff of 101 Columbine Road was present and congratulated all the newly elected Town Council members. The positions you are taking will impact the Town for years to come. Her advice is to leave their political affiliation at the door and make decisions based on what is right for the long term of the Town. She spoke in support of the Veteran's Center discussion item. The Town of Trumbull is home to 3,000 veterans and has been without a home for three years. That is more than 10% of the Town's adult population, it's shameful that they are remembered on Veteran's Day and other holidays and the home they have occupied for so long is no longer safe and it hasn't been rectified to date. They have been given meeting space but not a home. At one point selling the land where the home was discussed without offering a long term solution to them. She has seen the renderings of the facility and sat down with Mr. Baldwin. She believes this project will give them a home and much more. This is far more than a traditional VFW Hall, this is a place for the vets to gather, gain skills, and get health screenings. It will be a place for fund raising and will provide needed space for events and meetings. Things that we don't have nearly enough of and it will generate some income. The last three events she had planned she had to hold out side of Trumbull. We don't have a place large enough to accommodate organizations in Town and spoke in favor keeping that money in Town. If the cost is correct this is an excellent investment in our Town for the long term as every project we look at should be. As we present our Town to homebuyers and businesses we will be able to add the new Veteran's Center to the already impressive list of what is in Town. With the search of grants and state funding to cover the cost this is a win for the Town taxpayers and veterans of our Town. We shouldn't just say they are a valuable asset of our community we should show that they are.

As the Council starts their new two year term, there is an opportunity to change the political outlook in Trumbull. We have to start working together. There is an opportunity to do that at this meeting, mix it up and work with each other because we will never get rid of the reputation of the "Hatfields and the McCoys" politics in Trumbull unless the Council makes smart decisions from here on.

2. Scott Zimov of 25 Jog Hill Road was present and indicated that the Republican Party had asked that he be appointed to the BOF as an alternate. It was brought to his attention that even though it was considered the democrats on the Council would not be approving him but instead going with an individual they chose to put up instead. Before this vote he hopes everyone will reconsider. He has had a career in Finance, in banking with the past 15 years with the Bank of America. He has always been a numbers guy and his career has shown that. He spent the last four years on the BOF working diligently for the people of Trumbull, being at every possible meeting with the exception of one because of business travel. He will put forward his knowledge, the department's work, their budget needs and his creativity. He believes the issue is that he doesn't sit quietly when he believes in something, which is always fiscally conservative and doesn't sit well with people who want something rubber stamped. He asks questions before making a decision that seems to have caused other members to assume his stance. Asking for information shouldn't be a bad thing when we are handling money for our taxpayers. He

believes every party should have the ability to choose their alternate for boards and commissions, which he has felt since he first got involved in Trumbull politics. After he heard of the BOF resignation 2 years ago he felt it should go to the same party which it did. Per First Selectman Tesoro when running for office 2015 she recommended all boards and commissions have at least one alternate of their own political party and of their choosing. Actions seem to be different. In August 2018 First Selectman Tesoro stated actions speak louder than words. There is no valid reason not to approve based on his qualifications.

Trumbull Veteran Center

Trumbull, Connecticut



An opportunity to do the right thing



Who Needs a Veteran Center?

- Veteran Centers play an important part in helping our returning Veterans reenter civilian life.
- The existing building is unsafe and beyond repair!!

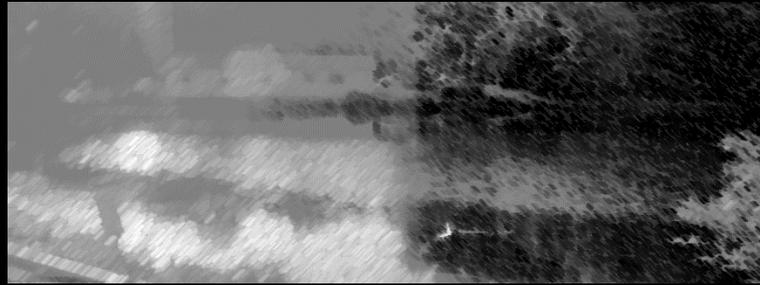
So Why a New Center?

- Veteran Centers are usually the first point of contact for returning Veterans seeking support, guidance and companionship

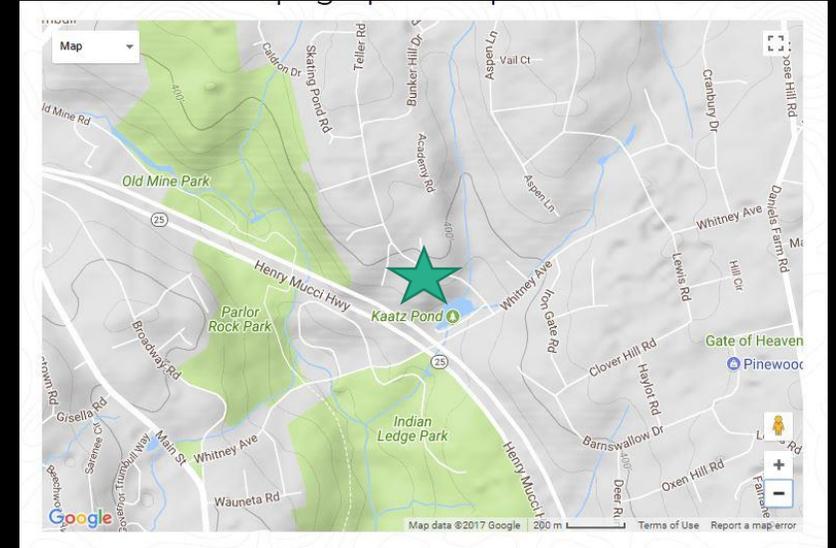
Who will use the New Center?

- THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY!!
- Veterans need to feel a valued part of their town and giving them the opportunity to interact with community groups will make the transition that much easier





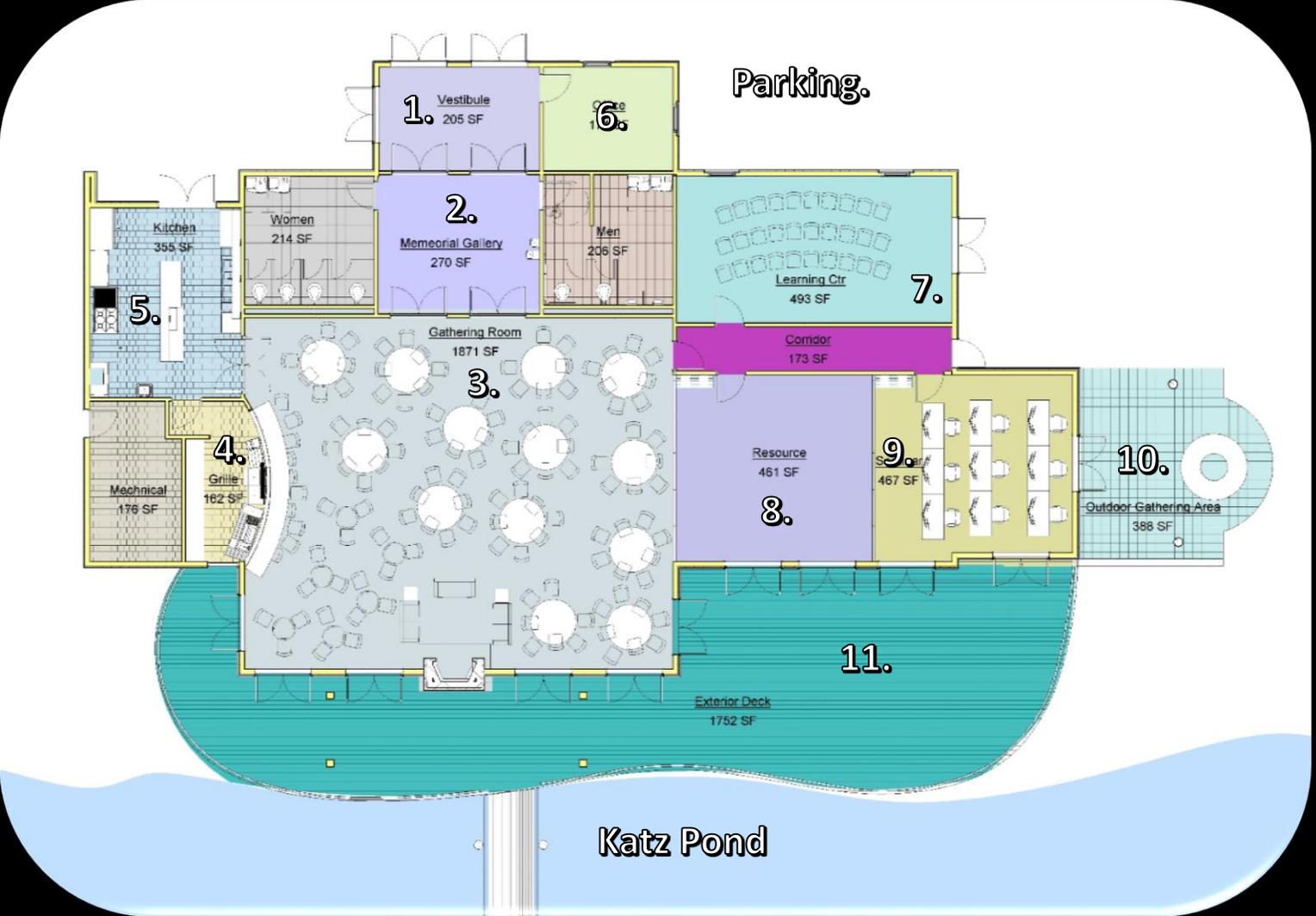
Existing building is unusable & beyond repair



Partially Constructed from left over Ice House lumber



Proposed New Building Plan



- 1. Vestibule
- 2. Memorial Gallery
- 3. Gathering Room
- 4. Beverage Service
- 5. Warm up Kitchen
- 6. Office
- 7. Learning Center
- 8. Resource Room
- 9. Computer Room
- 10. Outdoor Fire pit
- 11. Exterior Deck





Exterior Deck





Exterior Deck





Patio & Fire Pit





Patio & Fire Pit





Front Entrance





Gathering Room





Gathering Room





Gathering Room





Beverage Area





Learning Center





Learning Center





Resource Center





Computer Room





Computer Room





Fly Through



Thank You!

