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MINUTES
MAY 1, 2023

CALL TO ORDER: The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. All present joined in the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence. The Chair asked all those present to remember Andy Palo and his family. Andy was longtime volunteer who recently passed away.

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

PRESENT:

Mary Isaac	Anthony Dorsey	Nicole Satin
Alissa Hall	Jason Marsh	Ashley Gaudiano
Steve Lemoine	Kelly Mallozzi	Dawn Cantafio
Christopher DeCruze	Tony Scinto	Kevin Shively
Thomas Whitmoyer	Joy Colon	Bill Mecca
Veronica Lenzen	Olga Leiva	Carl Massaro
Donna Seidell		

ABSENT: Mike Buswell Dede Robinson

ALSO PRESENT: First Selectman Vicki A. Tesoro, Chief Administrative Officer Cynthia Katske, Town Attorney Daniel Schopick, Finance Director Maria Pires, Assistant Finance Director Dan Martin, Economic & Community Development Director Rina Bakalar and Gia Mentillo Economic & Community Development Administrative Assistant

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Moved by Colon, seconded by DeCruze to approve the April 3, 2023 minutes as submitted. VOTE: Motion CARRIED by unanimous consent.

PUBLIC COMMENT: There was no one present from the public to speak.

TC29-143

PUBLIC HEARING: The Chair OPENED the Public Hearing at 7:05 p.m. There was no one present to speak. The Chair CLOSED the Public Hearing at 7:05 p.m.

The Chair noted it was Teacher Appreciation week and extended her gratitude to all teachers and especially those teachers who are on the Town Council.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. RESOLUTION TC29-141: Moved by Satin, seconded by Cantafio
BE IT RESOLVED, That the appointment by the First Selectman of Edward Gillespie, as a member of the Trumbull Education and Government Access Television Commission for a term extending to the first Monday of December 2025 be and the same is hereby approved.

Committee Report: the L&A Committee met on April 24, 2023 and voted unanimously.

VOTE: ADOPTED unanimously.

2. RESOLUTION TC29-142: Moved by Dorsey, seconded by Mallozzi
BE IT RESOLVED, That the submission of the funding application to the LOTCIP program for the Traffic Signal and Intersection Improvement Project at Whitney Avenue and Main Street is hereby authorized and identifies Vicki A. Tesoro, First Selectman as the individual authorized to sign the application and all subsequent amendments, reports and related documents in order to administer and implement the project. (Full Resolution Attached)

Committee Report: the L&A Committee met on April 24, 2023 and voted unanimously.

It was confirmed they did get approval for gap financing from DOT and MetroCog for up to \$500,000.

VOTE: ADOPTED unanimously.

Moved by Mallozzi, seconded by Cantafio to pass as Emergency Legislation.

VOTE: Motion CARRIED unanimously.

3. RESOLUTION TC29-143: Moved by Cantafio, seconded by Mallozzi
BE IT RESOLVED, That the application to the State of Connecticut Department of Revenue Services (DRS) for the Neighborhood Assistance Act program is hereby authorized to include the Kennedy Collective, Inc. (\$150,000), Make A Wish Foundation of CT (\$28,000), Mutual Housing Association of Southwestern CT (\$64,205), and Cooperative Educational Services (\$110,000); and First Selectman Vicki A. Tesoro, or her designee, is hereby authorized to submit such application and sign all related forms, contracts and reports in order to implement the Neighborhood Assistance Act program. (Full Resolution Attached) (*Public Hearing May 1, 2023 Town Council*)

Committee Report: the L&A Committee met on April 24, 2023 and voted unanimously.

Gia Mentillo noted she had spoken with DRS and they confirmed the program is for C-Corporations only.

It was confirmed the corporations can make a request up to \$150,000, DRS will look at the cumulative. The Kennedy Collective does not detract, if DRS feels it's too much they will go through the list and will tell what they will award, they usually encourage them to apply for what they think they will use because there are usually credits leftover. They make one allocation to each nonprofit for the year, they either use them or lose them and it starts over next year.

The Chair clarified these are not credits the Town gets, the Town runs the process, and the credits go to the nonprofits. It was confirmed the C-Corps have to do business in the state of CT to qualify.

VOTE: ADOPTED unanimously.

Moved by Massaro, seconded by Colon to pass as Emergency Legislation.

VOTE: Motion CARRIED unanimously.

4. RESOLUTION TC29-144: Moved by Leiva, seconded by Mallozzi
BE IT RESOLVED, That \$40,000 is hereby appropriated from the Fund Balance to 01030200-578802 Building Maintenance-Mntnce/Rep-Equip/Building.

Committee Report: The Finance Committee met on April 24, 2023 and voted 5-1 (AGAINST: Scinto)

VOTE: ADOPTED 18-1 (AGAINST: Scinto)

Moved by Cantafio, seconded by Mallozzi to pass as Emergency Legislation.

VOTE: Motion CARRIED 18-1 (AGAINST: Scinto)

5. RESOLUTION TC29-145: Moved by Hall, seconded by Colon
BE IT RESOLVED that TC29-94, as adopted by the Town Council on November 10, 2022 is hereby amended in the description of the Tashua Knolls Golf Course section (page 25 of 25 of the Capital Plan) which presently reads "Equipment, i.e., Mowers, etc." to read "Equipment and septic system upgrade/replacement".

The Chair noted page 25 of the Capital Plan had been distributed to the Council.

It was confirmed they had not bonded yet, only notes had been issued.

VOTE: ADOPTED unanimously.

Moved by Cantafio, seconded by Satin to pass as Emergency Legislation.

VOTE: Motion CARRIED unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to discuss and upon motion made by Mallozzi, seconded by Cantafio the Trumbull Town Council adjourned at 7:20 p.m. by unanimous consent.

Respectfully Submitted,

Margaret D. Mastroni
Margaret D. Mastroni, Clerk

FULL RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION TC29-142:

WHEREAS, the Town of Trumbull has completed the design and received all DOT approvals for the Traffic Signal and Intersection project at Whitney Avenue and Main Street; and

WHEREAS, competitive bids were sought for the Traffic Signal and Intersection project and came in above the funding level set aside by the Town; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Trumbull sought gap funding from the Local Transportation Capital Improvement Program (LOTICIP) in order to accomplish this important safety improvement; and

WHEREAS, the MetroCOG has assisted the Town in securing funding from the LOTCIP program in an amount not to exceed \$500,000 in order to move forward with and complete the project;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Trumbull Town Council is cognizant of the application to LOTCIP in an amount not to exceed \$500,000, and authorizes Vicki A. Tesoro as First Selectman to accept the LOTCIP funding and to sign and execute the assistance agreement and all subsequent amendments, reports and related documents in order to administer and implement the Traffic Signal and Intersection Improvement project.

RESOLUTION TC29-143:

Whereas, the State of Connecticut Department of Revenue Services (DRS) offers funding to tax-exempt organizations in the form of tax credits; and

Whereas, tax credits are given to eligible corporations that contribute funding to support specific programs and services of the tax-exempt organizations; and

Whereas, programs supporting job training, low-income residents, senior residents, residents with disabilities, child care services, or open space acquisition offer a 60 percent credit and energy conservation programs offer a 100 percent credit; and

Whereas, the 2023 application will include the Kennedy Collective, Inc. (\$150,000), Make A Wish Foundation of CT (\$28,000), Mutual Housing Association of Southwestern CT (\$64,205), and Cooperative Educational Services (\$110,000); and

Whereas, the Town of Trumbull serves as the applicant and liaison to the Department of Revenue Services on behalf of the tax-exempt organizations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That the Trumbull Town Council is cognizant of the application to the State Department of Revenue Services for the Neighborhood Assistance Act program; and
2. That Vicki A. Tesoro, or her designee, is authorized to submit such application and sign all related forms, contracts, and reports in order to implement the Neighborhood Assistance Act program.