

Town of Clinton 54 East Main Street Clinton, Connecticut 06413

# Town Council Regular Meeting Minutes Wednesday, September 04, 2024 Town Hall Green Room

In Attendance: Chairman Carrie Allen, Chris Passante, Michael Shove (arrived at 8:11 AM), Brian Roccapriore, Hank Teskey, Chris Aniskovich and Dennis Donovan Also participated: Michelle Benivegna, Town Manager

C. Allen called the meeting to order at 8:00 AM. Dennis Donovan led the council in the pledge of allegiance.

# VISITORS

No visitors wished to speak at this time.

# APPROVAL OF MINUTES - AUGUST 21, 2024

C. Passante made a motion, seconded by B. Roccapriore to approve the minutes from August 21, 2024. The motion was unanimously approved.

## **APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS**

The appointment of Melissa Harris to the Human Services Advisory Board was moved to the next meeting.

### **HISTORIC PRESERVATION GRANT**

Sharon Uricchio, Town Clerk, requested permission to apply for the Historic Preservation Grant. This will enable the department to continue working on making some of the historical records available electronically. The total cost for the project is \$5,670.00. The total grant award would be \$5,500 and the remaining \$170 would come out of their Historic Preservation Fund. C. Aniskovich made a motion, seconded by D. Donovan to apply for the Historic Preservation Grant in the amount of \$5,500 and the remaining funds of \$170.00 will be paid for out of the Town Clerk's Historic Preservation Fund. The motion was unanimously approved.

# MOTION TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE AND SALE AGREEMENT FOR THE SALE OF THE ABRAHAM PIERSON SCHOOL, 75 EAST MAIN STREET, CLINTON, CT TO XENOLITH PARTERS CT LLC, THE LEASING OF A PORTION OF ABRAHAM PIERSON SCHOOL FROM XENOLITH PARTNERS CT, LLC FOR USE AS SENIOR CENTER AND TO REFER THE MATTER TO A TOWN MEETING

The council held a special meeting last week to review the draft ordinance on an affordable housing tax abatement as well as the draft purchase and sale agreement with Xenolith Partners CT LLC for the Abraham Pierson School property. Some minor changes were made to the agreement based on feedback from last week's meeting. H. Teskey made a motion, seconded by B. Roccapriore to approve the sale of 75 East Main Street, a/k/a Abraham Pierson School to Xenolith Partners CT LLC for the purchase price of \$500,000, (ii) to authorize the Town to sell 75 East Main Street, Clinton, CT to Xenolith Partners CT LLC, (iii) to authorize the Town to lease a portion of the building for use as a senior center, (iv) to authorize the Town Manager to negotiate and enter into a purchase and sale agreement and lease agreement with Xenolith Partners CT LLC and all other documents as may be necessary and appropriate to complete such transactions, and (v) to refer this matter to a town meeting on September 25, 2024 at 7:00 PM. The motion was unanimously approved.



# YEAR END LINE ITEM TRANSFERS

TOWN OF CLINTON FISCAL YEAR END BUDGET TRANSFERS				
2023-24				
ACCOUNT		ACCOUNT TITLE	ТО	FROM
014111	51310	SALARIES-FULL TIME	2,900	
014111	51320	SALARIES- PART TIME		2,900
014119	51310	SALARIES-FULL TIME	1,070	
014119		OTHER PROF/TECH SERVICES	1,0,0	1,070
014143	57400	INFRAS	640	
014143		SALARIES-FULL TIME	040	640
011110	01010			010
014147		SALARIES-FULL TIME GENERAL SUPPLIES	540	540
014147	20100	GENERAL SUPPLIES		540
014165		SALARIES-FULL TIME	650	
014165 014167		SALARIES - PARTIIME TRAVEL EXPENSE		540
014107	52900	TRAVEL EAFENSE		TIC
014100	50000		10,000	
014199 014199		LEGAL SERVICES INSUR OTHER THAN EE BENEF	18,000	
		PIERSON COSTS	350	
014199		HEAT/WATER	550	18,940
014201		SALARIES-FULL TIME	1,600	
014201	51330	OVERTIME	3,090	
		HOLIDAY PAY	5,090	4,690
014213		SALARIES-FULL TIME	280	-,
			200	280
		DUES & FEES		
014215		\_JNIFORMS PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	250	250
)14213	55200	rkoressional services		2.50
		SALARIES-FULL TIME	8,600	
)14221	51320	SALARIES - PART TIME		8,600
014301	52900	TRAVEL EXPENSE	130	
014301	56100	GENERAL SUPPLIES		130
)14427	51320	SALARIES - PART TIME	30	
014427	56100	GENERAL SUPPLIES		30
		SALARIES-FULL TIME	1,620	
014505				
014505		REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE	2,400	
014505	56100	GENERAL SUPPLIES	60	
014505	58806	CLINTON FAMILY DAY	110	
014505	51320	SALARIES - PART TIME		4,190



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B. Roccapriore made a motion, seconded by H. Teskey to approve the year end line item transfers totaling \$42,910 as presented by the Finance Director. The motion was unanimously approved.

## CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

C. Allen thanked Karl Kilduff and Michelle Benivegna for proceeding with the Pierson Project in a timely manner.

## TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

M. Benivegna reported on the following topics.

- Abraham Pierson School Timeline
  - September 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM Informational Meeting
  - September 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM Public Hearing on Tax Abatement Ordinance
  - September 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM Town Meeting to authorize the sale of the property
- Town's website has been updated to include a page on the Abraham Pierson School Project.
- A letter was sent to the Governor on behalf of the Town Council and Town Manager regarding the rising electricity costs.
- Bo Potter will be presenting a project update at the next council meeting.
- An Enterprise workshop was tentatively scheduled for September 11<sup>th</sup> at 6pm. Once the date is finalized we will notify the council. D. Donovan spoke about previous years when we the town went from leasing cars to purchasing cars. Donovan asked if the town was losing money every time we switched from leasing to purchasing. Donovan also wanted to know how many police departments Enterprise has in Connecticut.
- Economic Development Consultant will be presenting at the next council meeting.

### COUNCIL DISCUSSION

B. Roccapriore reminded the council about setting up a workshop to discuss unassigned fund balance.

### **TOWN COUNCIL COMMITTEE LIAISON REPORTS**

H. Teskey updated the council on the last Economic Development Commission meeting.

### **ADJOURN**

H. Teskey made a motion, seconded by B. Roccapriore and unanimously adjourned the meeting 8:20 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Schettino Executive Assistant Town Manager