

Town of East Hampton
Town Council Regular Meeting
Tuesday, February 9, 2021
Virtual Meeting via Zoom

MINUTES

Present: Chairman Pete Brown, Vice Chairman Dean Markham, Council Members Tim Feegel, Derek Johnson, Barbara Moore, Mark Philhower and Kevin Reich and Town Manager David Cox.

Call to Order

Chairman Brown called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Adoption of Agenda:

A motion was made by Ms. Moore, seconded by Mr. Reich, to adopt the agenda as written. Voted (7-0)

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Mr. Reich, seconded by Mr. Johnson, to approve the minutes of the Town Council Regular Meeting of January 26, 2021 as written. Voted (7-0)

Public Remarks

None

Presentations

None

Bids & Contracts

None

Resolution/ Ordinances/ Policies/ Proclamation

- a) **Discussion and Consideration of an Amendment to the Police Department Uniform Standards and Dress Code General Order/Policy**
- b) **Discussion and Consideration of a Police Department Mental Health Wellness Checks General Order/Policy**
- c) **Discussion and Consideration of a Police Department Employee Assistance Program General Order/Policy**
- d) **Discussion and Consideration of an Amendment to the Police Department Code of Conduct General Order/Policy**

Police Chief Dennis Woessner provided an overview of the changes to the Uniform Standards and Dress Code and the Code of Conduct and presented the new General Orders for Mental Health Wellness Checks and the Employee Assistance Program.

A motion was made by Mr. Philhower, seconded by Mr. Johnson, to approve General Order 2.9 Uniform Standards and Dress Code, General Order 8.10 Mental Health Wellness Checks, General

Order 8.11 Employee Assistance Program and General Order 4.3 Code of Conduct, as presented.
Voted (7-0)

Continued Business

Discussion Regarding a Potential Town Code Amendment Concerning Hunting on Town Land

Mr. Cox provided an overview of the past discussion regarding hunting on town land. Mr. Philhower spoke about the benefit of allowing hunting of waterfowl to control the geese population.

A motion was made by Mr. Markham, seconded by Ms. Moore, to postpone this item indefinitely.
Voted (7-0)

Discussion of Allocating a Portion of the Coronavirus Relief Funds to the Chatham Health District

Mr. Cox reported that the Chatham Health District Board met, and the member towns have agreed to the 20% portion of their Coronavirus funds to be distributed to the Chatham Health District.

A motion was made by Mr. Markham, seconded by Mr. Philhower, to appropriate 20% of the Town's COVID funding to Chatham Health District pending a recommendation from the Board of Finance.
Voted (7-0)

New Business

Discussion and Consideration of an Amended Job Description for the Prevention Coordinator

The Prevention Coordinator position is ready to be advertised. The job description is being updated to ensure that it outlines the obligations of the current grant and allows for other grant funded activities. The Prevention Council has reviewed and approved the new version of the job description.

A motion was made by Ms. Moore, seconded by Mr. Philhower, to approve the amended job description for the Prevention Coordinator as presented. Voted (7-0)

Town Manager Report

Mr. Cox provided an overview of the Town Manager's Report, which will be included with the minutes filed in the Town Clerk's Office. He also reported that the Annual Report is complete and will distributed soon and put on the Town website. Mr. Cox spoke with WFSB news regarding snow expenses noting that the department is on budget and he gave kudos to the Public Works staff and appreciates their efforts during snow operations.

Mr. Markham noted a concern about lake front properties and the revaluation. Mr. Cox noted he is going to have a Revaluation presentation for the Council.

Appointments

The Appointments Sub-Committee will meet on Thursday, February 11th for interviews of new candidates for boards and commissions.

Tax Refunds

A motion was made by Mr. Philhower, seconded by Mr. Johnson, to approve tax refunds in the amount of \$20,031.73. Voted (7-0)

Public Remarks

None

Communications, Correspondence & Announcement

None

Adjournment

A motion was made by Mr. Reich, seconded by Ms. Moore, to adjourn the meeting at 7:15pm. Voted (7-0)

Respectfully Submitted,

Cathy Sirois
Recording Clerk