

**Town of East Hampton
Town Council Regular Meeting
Tuesday, April 11, 2023
Town Hall Council Chambers #107 and Zoom**

MINUTES

Present: Vice Chairman Tim Feegel, Council Members Pete Brown, Brandon Goff, Kevin Reich and Alison Walck and Town Manager David Cox

Not Present: Chairman Mark Philhower and Eric Peterson

Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance

Vice Chairman Feegel called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Town Hall Council Chambers and via Zoom.

Adoption of Agenda

A motion was made by Ms. Walck, seconded by Mr. Goff, to adopt the agenda with a change to add an item to Continued Business for an Update on the Gazebo Planting Plan. Voted (5-0)

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Ms. Walck, seconded by Mr. Reich, to approve the minutes of the Town Council Regular Meeting of March 28, 2023 as written. Voted (5-0)

Public Hearing

Amendment to Chapter 278 – Taxation of the Code of the Town of East Hampton Regarding Modification of Tax Relief Programs

Amendment to Chapter 18 – Commission on Aging of the Code of the Town of East Hampton Regarding Adding Alternate Members

A motion was made by Mr. Reich, seconded by Mr. Goff, to open the Public Hearings for Chapter 278 Taxation and Chapter 18 Commission on Aging. Voted (5-0).

No comments were made.

The Public Hearing was closed.

Public Remarks

None

Presentations

None

Bids & Contracts

None

Resolution/ Ordinances/ Policies/ Proclamations

Consideration of a Motion to Approve an Amendment to Chapter 278 – Taxation of the Code of the Town of East Hampton Regarding Modification of Tax Relief Programs

A motion was made by Ms. Walck, seconded by Mr. Goff, to approve an amendment to Chapter 278 – Taxation of the Code of the Town of East Hampton regarding modification of tax relief programs as presented. Voted (5-0).

Consideration of a Motion to Approve an Amendment to Chapter 18 – Commission on Aging of the Code of the Town of East Hampton Regarding Adding Alternate Members

A motion was made by Ms. Walck, seconded by Mr. Reich, to approve an amendment to Chapter 18 – Commission on Aging of the Code of the Town of East Hampton regarding adding two alternate members as presented. Voted (5-0).

Continued Business

Sub-Committee Reports & Updates

Mr. Reich reported that the Middle School Roof Committee met. They reviewed and accepted the plans. They were previously approved by the Board of Education. The plans are now at the Department of Administrative Services and once approved can go out to bid.

Update on Belltown Garden Club Gazebo Planting Plan

Ms. Walck reported that the Department of Public Works assisted at the gazebo by digging up the old plants and spreading topsoil that was donated by Paul's and Sandy's. Park & Rec will be putting down mulch. The Garden Club will be purchasing window boxes for annuals until the final planting is done in the summer.

New Business

Review and Possible Action on an Amendment to the Library Collection Policy

Library Director Tim Kellogg provided an overview of the amendment to the Library Collection Policy, which creates a new section describing policies around Special Collections, including a range of specialized materials from historic documents, original works and works of local authors. The amendment was approved by the Library Advisory Board.

A motion was made by Mr. Goff, seconded by Ms. Walck, to approve the amendment to the Library Circulation Policy as presented. Voted (5-0).

Town Manager's Report

Mr. Cox provided his written report for the Council members which will be included with the minutes filed in the Town Clerk's Office. Mr. Cox called out a few points from the report including:

1. Sewer payment 2nd installments are due by the end of April.
2. The status of the new police vehicle is still unknown. It was thought that a VIN and estimated delivery date were available, but this was incorrect. It is possible the order could be cancelled. The vendor is working on the issue.
3. Library Director Tim Kellogg is leaving on April 24th. The position has been advertised. Mr. Cox thanked Mr. Kellogg for all he has done while working with at the Library.

Mr. Brown asked about the status of the water project. Mr. Cox reported that last week they pulled some final information from the WPCA and are doing the last check of their hydraulic model.

Vice Chairman Feegel asked if the sand was reclaimed at Sears Park. Mr. Cox reported that it was done over the winter.

Appointments

None

Tax Refunds

A motion was made by Ms. Walck, seconded by Mr. Goff, to approve tax refunds in the amount of \$1,591.66. Voted (5-0)

Public Remarks

Library Director Tim Kellogg thanked Mr. Cox for his kind remarks and noted it was a pleasure to work for the Town and the Library.

Communications, Correspondence & Announcements

March 2023 Board and Commission Summary

Members received the March 2023 Board and Commission Summary.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Mr. Goff, seconded by Ms. Walck, to adjourn the meeting at 6:50pm. Voted (5-0)

Respectfully Submitted,

Cathy Sirois
Recording Clerk