

Town Council Virtual Special Meeting

Unapproved Minutes

Wednesday, March 3, 2021

6:00-7:30 p.m.

Chairman Slapikas called to order the Special Meeting of the Prospect Town Council @ 6:03 p.m. The meeting was a Virtual Meeting by video conference via GoToMeeting 818013613 as authorized by Executive Orders 7B and 7I. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Organizer of Virtual Meeting Present: J. Slapikas. A roll call for attendance was taken by Chairman Slapikas.

Council Members Present via online: J. Slapikas, P. Geary, S. Lusas-Kolodziej, L. Fitzgerald, T. Graveline & K. O'Leary, P. Geary & M. Patchkofsky

Council Members Absent: R. Blanc, S. Pilat

Guests: Mayor Chatfield and Vincent Farisello

Chairman Slapikas noted that the purpose of tonight's meeting is an Executive Session: Discussion of Police Union Contract, inviting Mayor Chatfield & Vincent Farisello. Chairman Slapikas advised that he had just sent a separate virtual meeting invite to all 9 Council members as well as the Mayor and Atty Farisello. He noted that after the vote to enter Executive Session, this meeting will adjourn to the Executive Session meeting at the new virtual meeting location. Council Clerk, H. Tiganella, will remain on line to keep this meeting open until the Council comes out of Executive Session.

Motion made by P. Geary, seconded by T. Graveline to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing with the Town Attorney the Police Contract. Mayor Chatfield and Vincent Farisello (Carmody & Torrance) were invited into executive session along with Council Members present: J. Slapikas, P. Geary, S. Lusas-Kolodziej, L. Fitzgerald, T. Graveline, M. Patchkofsky, & K. O'Leary as well as R. Blanc, S. Pilat who are expected to enter the Executive Session meeting. Motion unanimous Time 6:09

Motion made by S. Lusas Kolodziej, seconded by R. Blanc to come out of Executive Session at 7:03 p.m.. Unanimous.

All present minus L. Fitzgerald returned to the original virtual platform for the Special Town Council meeting. No notes were taken and no motions made during the executive session other than to come out of executive session.

Chairman Slapikas noted for the record that:

Rich Blanc and Stan Pilat Joined the Executive Session Platform at 6:11

T. Graveline left executive session at 6:40 p.m.

L. Fitzgerald did not rejoin the Special meeting after Executive Session.

Anything discussed in the Executive Session is between the people in attendance.

[cannot be disclosed outside of executive session]

M. Patchkofsky reminded the Council the Executive Session is not recorded.

Police Union Contract- J. Slapikas stated he sat through several meetings with the Police Union, Attorneys etc. There were some Covid issues in between that dragged out the process longer than necessary. J. Slapikas stated that Vincent (Atty Farisello) did a great job. He was really impressed on how he handled himself and the police. He is really happy and he did a great job for the Town of Prospect

Motion made by M. Patchkofsky, seconded by S. Lusas Kolodziej to accept the Police Contract as presented. Pat Geary requested an amended motion due to a minor correction discussed in Executive Session, M. Patchkofsky and S. Lusas Kolodziej amended their motion to add one correction discussed in the Executive Session. Vincent (Atty Farisello) will edit it as discussed. Motion Unanimous.

P. Geary appreciates the fact that J. Slapikas was part of all the negotiations. She thanked him for all the time he put in. She feels it was important that someone from the Council be there. J. Slapikas stated it was a good learning experience and it was nice to be involved.

Public Participation: (5 Minute Time Limit) none

Correspondence: There was no Correspondence accepted

Adjournment: Motion made by M. Patchkofsky, seconded by R. Blanc to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 p.m. Unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

H. Tiganella, Town Council Clerk

J. Slapikas, Chair

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