

MINUTES

SELECTMEN'S MEETING

MARCH 9, 2006

A regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen was called to order at 11 a.m., by First Selectman, Kevin J. Kopetz. Also present were William F. Mitchell and Janet M. McCarty.

Ms. McCarty offered a correction to the minutes of the regular Selectmen's Meeting of February 9, 2006. Mr. Kopetz suggested tabling the matter until it could be reviewed further. Mr. Mitchell moved to table. Voted: Kopetz-yes, Mitchell-yes, McCarty-yes

Mr. Kopetz introduced correspondence received March 8, 2006, from Gary Amato, 127 Pool Road, regarding the Board of Assessment Appeals' revaluation hearings. Mr. Amato is concerned that his assessment does not account for a physical inspection of interior, sidewalks, etc. Mr. Kopetz explained that the Board is bound to Connecticut Law, is elected and autonomous of the Board of Selectmen. This revaluation process is statistical; a physical one is scheduled in four years. Possible recourse if a taxpayer is dissatisfied with a decision of the Board of Assessment Appeals is to appeal to the State Superior Court.

Mr. Mitchell moved the following property tax refunds:

John and Rita Anthony & Survs., 84 Maple Avenue, North Haven, CT 06473, in the amount of \$114.85, Assessor's Correction #33774, and in the amount of \$108.99, Assessor's Correction #33775, and in the amount of \$102.67, Assessor's Correction #33776

Albert Capodagli, 24 Robin Court, North Haven, CT 06473, in the amount of \$18.40, Assessor's Correction #33790

James R. or Cynthia D. Cushing, 6 Charter Oak Place, North Haven, CT 06473, in the amount of \$152.07, Assessor's Correction #33589

Robert E. or Nanci Dower, 76 Maple Avenue, North Haven, CT 06473, in the amount of \$128.50, Assessor's Correction #32725

GMAC, 500 Enterprise Drive, Rocky Hill, CT 06067-3579, in the amount of \$221.38, Assessor's Corrections #33655 and #33656

GMAC, c/o Semperian Admin. Services, Inc., PO Box 3100, Midland, TX 79702-3100, in the amount of \$629.93, Assessor's Corrections #33733, #33734 and #33736, and in the amount of \$138.61, Assessor's Correction #33735

Timothy L. Garrison, 14 Grasso Avenue, North Haven, CT 06473, in the amount of \$292.68, Assessor's Correction #33753

Frank and Dorothy Hajaistron & Survs., 40 North Avenue, North Haven, CT 06473, in the amount of \$96.63, Assessor's Correction #33893, and in the amount of \$102.58, Assessor's Correction #33892

Donna L. or John V. Massella, Jr., 15 Grove Road, North Haven, CT 06473, in the amount of \$10.43, Tax Collector Correction #15234

Linda L. or Matthew E. McKiernan, 85 Round Hill Road, North Haven, CT 06473, in the amount of \$185.65, Assessor's Correction #33709

Tessa Wells, 122 Upper State Street, North Haven, CT 06473, in the amount of \$71.16, Assessor's Correction #33307

Wan Hee Yoo, 2112 Avalon Haven Drive, North Haven, CT 06473, in the amount of \$28.21, Assessor's Correction #32879

Voted: Kopetz-yes, Mitchell-yes, McCarty-yes

Mr. Mitchell moved the following bond reductions:

Stephen DiCapua, 101 Kings Highway, North Haven, CT 06473, Partial Release in the amount of \$17,500, leaving a balance of \$2,500, with the recommendation of the Inland Wetlands Commission

AFRV, LLC, 500 & 511 Elm Street, North Haven, CT 06473, Partial Release in the amount of \$65,000, leaving a balance of \$25,000, with the recommendation of the Planning & Zoning Commission

Voted: Kopetz-yes, Mitchell-yes, McCarty-yes

Ms. McCarty questioned Stop & Shop distribution center's assessed value as opposed to its selling price, and if the property had been sold more than once. Mr. Kopetz responded that to his knowledge, the property was sold one time for a purchase price of \$35 million and invited her to review land records in the Town Clerk's office and assessments in the Assessor's office.

Ms. McCarty asked Mr. Kopetz and Mr. Mitchell to open a discussion, next month, regarding a 1990 decision of the Board of Selectmen to reimburse condominium owners for refuse and recycling collections. Citing difficult budgetary circumstances, she feels it may be time to reconsider this funding, but would like the Board to weigh the pros and cons.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Mr. Mitchell moved for adjournment at 11:20 a.m. Voted: Kopetz-yes, Mitchell-yes, McCarty-yes