

MINUTES OF THE CHESHIRE TOWN COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING HELD ON THURSDAY, JULY 30, 2020 AT 5:00 P.M. VIA VIDEO TELECONFERENCE (PER EXECUTIVE ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR OF CONNECTICUT)

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PUBLIC HEARING SUBJECT MATTER
CONSIDERATION OF A SUBMISSION TO THE
2020 NEIGHBORHOOD ASSISTANCE ACT PROGRAM

Present

Robert J. Oris, Jr. Chairman; Timothy Slocum, Vice-Chairman; James Jinks, Sandy Pavano, David Veleber, Donald Walsh.

Absent: David Borowy, Sylvia Nichols, Peter Talbot

Staff: Arnett Talbot, Asst. Town Manager

1. ROLL CALL

Roll was called and a quorum was determined to be present.

The group Pledged Allegiance to the Flag.

Chairman Oris expressed sympathy and special thoughts to Councilor David Borowy and the Borowy Family on the passing of David's Mother.

Chairman Oris stated that Mr. Borowy fully supports The Hometown Foundation K-9 program.

2. EXPLANATION OF HEARING PROCEDURE AND AGENDA

Chairman Oris explained the procedure for a public hearing of the Town Council.

3. READING OF LEGAL NOTICE

Ms. Talbot read the legal notice into the record.

4. PRESENTATION ON HEARING SUBJECT

Ms. Talbot gave a short presentation on the hearing subject. The Neighborhood Assistance Act Program (NAA) is a State program administered by the municipality. A public hearing is required for submitted applications with Town Council action for an application to be considered by the State. Private businesses donate to the NAA and receive an additional tax deduction.

The Hometown Foundation, Inc. has submitted an application to support its K-9 program. The Foundation grants funds to police departments in Connecticut to donate fully equipped and trained Police K-9's, at no cost, to the departments. The Town Council has approved Foundation submissions in the last few years.

5. QUESTIONS AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CHAIR.
None.

6. PROPONENTS AND OPPONENTS STATEMENTS ALTERNATELY EXPRESSED.

Ms. Pavano stated this is a wonderful program and the Foundation donates fully trained K-9's to police departments throughout the State (Hartford, Fairfield, Windham counties). This is a worthwhile program and she supports their application.

7. REBUTTAL AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CHAIR.
None.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Oris closed the public hearing at 6:40 p.m.

Attest:

Marilyn W. Milton, Clerk