Present
David Schrumm, Chairman, Michael Ecke and James Sima.
Staff: Michael A. Milone, Town Manager; Gerald Sitko, Economic Development Coordinator.
Councilor Anne Giddings

1. ROLL CALL
The clerk called the roll and a quorum was determined to be present.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
The group Pledged Allegiance to the Flag.

3. Acceptance and appropriation of $60 from Operation Fuel Inc. to the Cheshire Fuel Bank.

4. Acceptance and appropriation of an aggregate of $1,680 in donations to the Parks Gift Account for a memorial bench in memory of Greg Schena.

5. Acceptance and appropriation of a $96 donation from the Town of Cheshire employees to the Cheshire Fuel Bank.

6. Acceptance and appropriation of a $75 donation from Darlene Leonetti to the Parks Gift Account for general purposes.

7. Acceptance and appropriation of an aggregate donation of $866 from the Judicial Branch – Special Services to the Parks Gift Account for park repairs and general purposes.

MOTION by Mr. Sima; seconded by Mr. Ecke.

MOVED that the Budget Committee accept items #3 through #7 and forward to the full Town Council for approval.

Discussion
Item #7 is money from the Judicial Branch which is restitution from the young men who did damage to the skate park.

VOTE The motion passed unanimously by those present.

8. Assignment of approved capital projects to the Public Building Commission.
MOTION by Mr. Sima; seconded by Mr. Ecke.

MOVED that the Budget Committee accept item #8 and forward to the full Town Council for approval.

Discussion
This item is #7A on the Council’s agenda. The projects include the Roof Replacement at Police Headquarters, Senior Center Elevator, District Wide Roof Replacement, Dodd Cafeteria Renovations, Cheshire High School Track Resurfacing. Mr. Schrumm noted that some of the projects require voter approval at referendum. If they are not approved they will not go forward.

For the $300,000 flooring replacement in the school district, Mr. Sima asked that a report be given to the Council from the BOE with things broken out, how much money was used, and balance.

Mr. Schrumm said the BOE will be requested to keep a log, by school, on the major projects done. On the Town side the Town Manager has a report on the capital projects over the last 20 years.

In that regard, Town Manager Milone stated that action from the Council or Budget Committee will provide clarity to this request. However, he will pass along to Dr. Florio information about the Council requesting details on BOE projects by building.

Mr. Ecke commented on the CHS track resurfacing project, and asked why the PBC is involved in this unique project, which should be a BOE project.

This is a $425,000 project and Mr. Schrumm said it should go through the process. If the turf field is approved these two projects must be done together and the field must also go through the process.

Mr. Ecke said he is not sure both projects go together, and the track resurfacing is a unique process. The Athletic Director and Coaches will have a better understanding of what is necessary and what needs to be done.

This topic was raised at the last PBC meeting and Mr. Sima said there was a recollection that the PBC was involved in the last track resurfacing project, as there was discussion about drainage, etc.

If the PBC was involved in the last track project, Mr. Ecke said the project was done without appropriate drainage, and this was a mistake and the cause of the problems being faced today.

Mr. Sima reported that there is some drainage on the football field with plywood over the area.
According to Mr. Schrumm, no one presently serving on the PBC was involved with the last track resurfacing project.

Mr. Sima stated that it is worth having the PBC look at this project because of the expertise on the board.

**VOTE**  The motion passed 2-1; Ecke opposed.

9.  Acceptance and appropriation of an $18,750 donation from Yankee Gas for sidewalk construction at the Main Street parklet.

**MOTION** by Mr. Sima; seconded by Mr. Ecke.

MOVED that the Budget Committee accept item #9 and forward to the full Town Council for approval.

**Discussion**

Mr. Schrumm said this amount is an estimate from the contractor and agreed to for payment by Yankee Gas.

Mr. Sitko advised that the amount was estimated by the Public Works staff. The contract doing the pavers will also do this work at the parklet. For this work, Mr. Sitko was able to get Yankee Gas to help the Town out by doing a larger stretch of the parklet from St. Peters Church, north, around the bend. This is 250 linear feet. The entire project would cost $55,000.

Mr. Milone said he would like to supplement this project with sidewalk money because the area is in disrepair. He is concerned about an accident taking place and other safety issues.

There is also an aesthetic issue with the condition of the parklet, and Mr. Sitko said the concrete pavers would be similar to what is being done on West Main Street. Parks and Rec Director Ceccolini and Mr. Sitko expressed displeasure with the vault areas and Yankee Gas said they would work this out. The landscaping estimate is due soon, but is not part of the $18,750 donation. Mr. Sitko advised that PW Director Michaelangelo is inclined to bid this project.

**VOTE**  The motion passed unanimously by those present.

10.  Approval of tax appeal settlement (possible executive session)

11.  ADJOURNMENT

**MOTION** by Mr. Sima; seconded by Mr. Ecke.

MOVED to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m.
VOTE The motion passed unanimously by those present.

Attest:

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Marilyn W. Milton, Clerk