

MINUTES
Social Service Grants Review Committee
Thursday, January 14, 2010
Waterford Town Hall

Members Present: First Selectman Daniel Steward, Mr. John W. Sheehan, Board of Finance, Mr. George C. White, RTM, and Mr. Thomas F. Ammirati, RTM

PROCEDURE: The Committee will consider and act tentatively on these budget requests for FY09/10 and at the appropriate time finalize and forward their recommendation to the Board of Selectmen. Any agency wishing to appeal the recommendation of the Committee may do so by writing to the Board of Selectmen, 15 Rope Ferry Road, Waterford, CT 06385. The Board of Selectmen will hear appeals at their meeting scheduled for Tuesday, January 26, 2010, at the Waterford Town Hall.

BUDGET HEARINGS

First Selectman Steward called the meeting to order at 10:00 am. Mr. Steward introduced the members of the Committee and explained the social service grant process to those present.

#58380 Disabled American Veterans, requesting \$250.

MOTION was made by Mr. White and seconded by Mr. Ammirati to tentatively approve the total budget request in the amount of \$250.

VOTE: 4 – 0

#58400 Veterans of Foreign Wars, including Post #6573, #9975, and American Legion #161, requesting \$1,352.

MOTION was made by Mr. White and seconded by Mr. Ammirati to tentatively approve the total budget request in the amount \$1,352.

VOTE: 4 – 0

#58360 Boy Scouts Troop 36, requesting \$1,000.

Richard Mathieu, representing Troop 36, was present to review and discuss this request for \$1,000; he spoke briefly on the programs offered and the services provided to the Town through the scouting efforts.

MOTION was made by Mr. White and seconded by Mr. Sheehan to tentatively approve a budget request in the amount of \$800 for Troop 36.

VOTE: 4 – 0

Boy Scouts Troop 29, requesting \$500

No one was present to represent Boy Scouts Troop 29 for this request.

MOTION was made by Mr. Sheehan and seconded by Mr. White to TABLE this request to a later hearing date.

VOTE: 4 – 0

#58361 Cub Scout Pack 39, requesting \$500.

MOTION was made by Mr. White and seconded by Mr. Ammirati to tentatively approve a budget request in the amount of \$400.

VOTE: 4 – 0

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#58583 Friends of Harkness Memorial State Park, Inc., requesting \$2,000.

Chris Callahan was present to review and discuss this request. Ms. Wagner reported the majority of this funding request is used to support the Annual Harkness Family Day which is held in the fall at Harkness.

MOTION was made by Mr. Sheehan and seconded by Mr. White to tentatively approve a budget request in the amount of \$2,000.

VOTE: 4 – 0

#58591 E CT. Symphony Orchestra, requesting \$3,000.

Isabelle G. Singer, Executive Director, was present to review and discuss this request.

MOTION was made by Mr. White and seconded by Mr. Ammirati to tentatively approve a budget request in the amount of \$2,000.

MOTION was made by Mr. Sheehan to reduce the budget request to \$1,500. No second Motion was made. Motion Failed.

VOTE: 3 – 1

#58586 Eugene O'Neill Theater Center, requesting \$2,500.

Preston Whiteway, Executive Director was present to discuss and review this request; Mr. Whiteway gave a brief overview of the current status of the Theater and the programs offered.

MOTION was made by Mr. Sheehan and seconded by Mr. Steward to tentatively approve a budget request in the amount of \$1,750.

VOTE: 3 – 0 (White abstained)

#58573 Camp Harkness Boosters Equestrian Program, requesting \$3,000.

David B. Fairman, President, was present to review and discuss this request; discussion took place on the number of riders and residents served in the program.

MOTION was made by Mr. Sheehan and seconded by Mr. White to removed from the Table.

VOTE: 4-0

MOTION was made by Mr. Sheehan and seconded by Mr. White to tentatively approve a budget request in the amount of \$2,800.

VOTE: 4-0

There being no further business to come before the Committee and upon a motion made by Mr. Sheehan, seconded by Mr. White, and unanimously voted, the meeting was adjourned at 10:49 am.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathleen Nunes Peterson
Recording Secretary

