

SIXTH TAXING DISTRICT, City of Norwalk, CT November 18, 2020
APPROVED ACTIONS

I. ATTENDANCE:

Present: Commissioners Tammy Langalis, Mike Barbis, John Igneri, District Treasurer Gil Kernan, District Fire Marshal and District Property Manager Ed Carlson, District Clerk Andrea Woodworth (Some via Zoom).

II. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

- Commission Chair Tammy Langalis called the November 18, 2020 meeting of the Sixth Taxing District Commissioners to order at 7:10 p.m.
- Mrs. Langalis gave an update on the RR Station House. Our concessionaire is no longer there. In January we will look to see if someone might want to take over the concession stand or start some other business there.
- Commissioner Mike Barbis gave an update on the Bayley Beach drainage project. Unfortunately, not much has happened as our engineer has been in the hospital with the coronavirus. We hope he continues to recover. Mr. Barbis speculated that we might be able to get one permit for everything if the work we are doing is considered maintenance.
- We are also working with an engineer to determine the feasibility of expanding the Ambler Parking Lot. We would not interfere in the wetlands but put a few new spaces in the buffer zone of the wetlands. Alexis Cherichetti needs to be kept in the loop.
- As for the vote on the Old School Fence rules which is scheduled for December 2, 2020, we will post on the web site the proposals that will be voted on.
- Rowayton resident Rob Pratt has been working with a group of people to come up with one of the proposals. The Commissioners will work further with him to condense his proposal.
- Another Rowayton resident spoke saying that he thinks we should honor the guidelines for the fence and not change anything.
- Rowayton resident Daniel Holman asked the commissioners if they would endorse either of the proposals. Mr. Barbis answered him by saying that they are meant to be impartial.
- Another resident asked why it is so hard to take a stand. It feels, to her, that we are closing our town to people of color. The Commissioners certainly don't feel this way.
- Commission Chair Tammy Langalis said the issue is not whether it's "Black Lives Matter" but rather that it is our job to manage public property which includes the Old School Fence. There are rules in place.

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- Mr. Barbis made the point that if a potential voter wants to vote remotely, to please call our District Clerk at 203-854-6666 x1 or email her at awoodworth@rowayton6td.com
- Lauren Henry of Bryan Road asked why out of town owners of property could not vote. The answer is that it is in our charter that only residents of residential properties in the Sixth Taxing District may vote on anything to do with the Sixth Taxing District.
- Resident Rob Pratt reiterated that the process is meant to be a mutually expressed proposal. Mrs. Langalis noted that there is the spirit of collaboration here and we should take advantage of that. She said that the world is full of more good people than not.
- The Commissioners have given Dick Packer permission to use the Community Center and grounds for his Soccer Camps from June 21 – 25 and June 28 – July 2.
- The next Commissioners' Meeting will be held on December 16, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

III. ACTION ITEMS:

- The Minutes of the October 21, 2020 meeting were approved as submitted.
- On a motion by Commissioner Mike Barbis, the November 18, 2020 meeting of the Sixth Taxing District Commissioners was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.