

**TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES**  
**Town Hall Council Chambers**  
**Zoom # 817 9582 0595**  
**November 8, 2021, Monday**

Present: Arthur Mathews, President  
Michael Molisse, Vice President  
Pascale Burga, Councilor  
Kenneth DiFazio, Councilor  
Jane Hackett, Councilor  
Fred Happel, Councilor  
Rebecca Haugh, Councilor  
Christopher Heffernan, Councilor  
Maureen Kiely, Councilor

Absent: Ed Harrington, Councilor

Also Present: Kathleen Deree, Town Clerk  
Joseph Callanan, Town Solicitor  
James Malary, Director of Municipal Finance

Recording Secretary: Mary Barker

President Mathews called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM. After the Pledge of Allegiance, Town Clerk Kathleen Deree called the roll, with one absence. Councilor Harrington had a previous family commitment.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

President Mathews congratulated the incumbent councilors, and welcomed the councilors-elect. He explained that the outgoing District 6 seat was an appointment, and under the terms of the charter, the seat is filled following the certification of the vote. Councilor-elect Abbott will be sworn in to join the council at the next meeting on November 15<sup>th</sup>. The remaining new councilors will be sworn in before the first meeting in January.

Councilor Haugh announced the Veterans' Day observances scheduled for November 11, 2021.

## **MINUTES**

### **Ordinance Committee Meeting Minutes of October 14, 2021**

Vice President Molisse motioned to approve the minutes from the October 14, 2021 Ordinance Committee meeting and was seconded by Councilor Kiely. Unanimously voted.

### **Town Council Meeting Minutes of October 18, 2021**

Vice President Molisse motioned to approve the minutes from the October 18, 2021 Town Council meeting and was seconded by Councilor Kiely. Unanimously voted.

## **COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS FROM THE MAYOR, TOWN OFFICERS AND TOWN BOARDS**

### **21 115-Fiscal Year 2022 Tax Classification**

On behalf of Mayor Hedlund, James Malary, Director of Municipal Finance, requested that the Town of Weymouth adopt a Classification Tax Rate Shift of 1.48 for commercial, industrial and personal property taxes with no residential exemption for fiscal year 2022.

Vice President Molisse motioned to refer measure 21 115 to the Budget/Management Committee and was seconded by Councilor Kiely. Unanimously voted.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

### **21 116-Citizens Petition to Change Zoning Ordinances- Article IV Section 120-13 / Article IV A Section 120-13.3 (eliminate “funeral home” section)**

President Mathews reported that the following 10-Citizens Petition was received at the town hall:

That the Town of Weymouth adopt the following changes to the Town of Weymouth Zoning Ordinances:

1. Article IV (Residential District R-1) §120-13 (Special permit uses by Board of Zoning Appeals)

Eliminate Section A (Funeral Home)

2. Article IV A (Residential District R-2) § 120.13.3 Special permit uses by Board of Zoning Appeals

Eliminate Section B (Funeral Home)

Vice President Molisse motioned to refer measure 21 116 to the Ordinance Committee and Planning Board for a joint public hearing and was seconded by Councilor Kiely. Unanimously voted.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Town Council is November 15, 2021. At 7:37 PM; there being no further business, Vice President Molisse motioned to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Councilor Kiely. Unanimously voted.

Respectfully Submitted by Mary Barker as Recording Secretary

Approved by Arthur Mathews as President of the Town Council  
Voted unanimously on 15 November 2021