

TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES
Town Hall Council Chambers
March 3, 2014

Present: Patrick O'Connor, President
Michael Smart, Vice President
Rebecca Haugh, Councilor
Arthur Mathews, Councilor
Ed Harrington, Councilor
Robert Conlon, Councilor
Jane Hackett, Councilor
Thomas J. Lacey, Councilor
Michael Molisse, Councilor

Not Present: Kenneth DiFazio, Councilor
Brian McDonald, Councilor
Richard Swanson, Town Auditor

Also Present: William McKinney, Chief Financial Officer
George Lane, Town Solicitor
Kathy Deree, Town Clerk
James Clarke, Director of Planning and Community Development

Recording Secretary: Diane T. Hachey

President O'Connor called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM, following the Pledge of Allegiance, Town Clerk , Kathy Deree, called the roll, with Councilors DiFazio and McDonald not present. President O'Connor noted that they contacted him and were unable to attend due to work commitments.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilor Smart announced that Olden's Pharmacy has reached a milestone by filling its 2 millionth prescription. They have been a community business, located in Columbian Square for more than 60 years.

Councilor Harrington noted that the Weymouth Educational Foundation is holding their 13th annual Trivia Nite on March 28, 2014 at the Weymouth Elks. He encourages all to sign up early as the event typically sells out. Interested parties may call Carol Karlberg at 781-335-3512.

Councilor Haugh announced that the North Weymouth Civic Association is holding a meeting on Wednesday, March 12 at 7 PM at the McCulloch Building. Topics will include the seawall and the Fore River Bridge project.

Councilor Conlon announced his office hours tomorrow from 10-11 AM in the Town Council Chambers. He will hold a round table discussion on the Starwood proposal and also discuss the pros and cons of supplying water to the project.

Council President O'Connor announced that on March 5 at 7PM at the Abigail Adams Auditorium, Mayor Kay will hold a public meeting on the 75% design plans for Legion and Lovell.

Citation issuance to MIAA Indoor Track and Field All State Champions
Henry McDonald, Tyler O'Brien, Elijuan Diaz, and Adrian Radal
-Council President Patrick O'Connor

President O'Connor delivered a citation to each athlete and recognized their achievement for attaining the title of All State Crown and competing in the NE Championship.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Budget/Management Committee Meeting Minutes of February 3, 2014

Vice President Michael Smart motioned for favorable action, motion seconded by Councilor Mathews and voted unanimously.

Town Council Meeting Minutes of February 3, 2014

Vice President Michael Smart motioned for favorable action, motion seconded by Councilor Mathews and voted unanimously.

Special Town Council Meeting Minutes of February 10, 2014

Vice President Michael Smart motioned to table the minutes, motion seconded by Councilor Mathews and voted unanimously.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR, TOWN OFFICERS, AND TOWN BOARDS

14 009-Free Cash Salary Reserve

Mr. McKinney presented on behalf of Mayor Kay that the Town of Weymouth raise and appropriate \$130,000 from free cash to fund the costs associated with potential salary increases as a result of employee bargaining unit contracts settlements for fiscal year 2014.

A MOTION by Vice President Smart for referral of measure number 14 009 to the Budget/Management Committee, motion seconded by Councilor Mathews. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Ordinance Committee-Chairman Kenneth DiFazio

13 127-Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance "Exceptions by Board of Zoning Appeals" Section

Councilor Smart reported on behalf of Chairman DiFazio, and noted that the measure was referred on November 12, 2013, the committee met on December 16, 2013 and February 25, 2014, a joint public hearing was held with the Planning Board on December 16, 2013. The Planning Board recommended unanimously for favorable action on January 8, 2014.

Councilor Smart motioned for favorable action on measure number 13 127, motion seconded by Councilor Mathews.

Councilor Harrington noted that Mr. Tanner appeared before the Council at the joint public hearing and requested more discussion and study of the issue.

Motion passes 8-1 (Councilor Lacey voting nay). It was noted that as this is a zoning issue that a 2/3 vote is required.

NEW BUSINESS

Capital Improvement Plan for Fiscal Year 2015

-Councilor Michael Molisse

Councilor Molisse motioned for referral of the Capital Improvement Plan to the Budget/Management Committee, motion seconded by Councilor Smart and voted unanimously.

Council President O'Connor announced that a Special Town Council Meeting has been scheduled for **Monday, March 10, 2014 beginning at 7:30 PM**. The purpose of this meeting is that Starwood will present the finalized draft of the enabling legislation and Memorandum of Agreement. Additionally, he would like a report from the attorneys conducting the legal review.

Councilor Mathews requested that police, fire, schools and other remaining department heads appear to discuss the impacts on the Starwood proposal on their specific departments. Council President O'Connor will send a letter to the Mayor and Starwood to formalize these requests.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, a MOTION was made by Vice President Smart to adjourn at 7:55 PM , seconded by Councilor Mathews. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

Respectfully submitted by Diane T. Hachey, Recording Secretary

Approved by Patrick O'Connor, Council President
Voted unanimously on 7 April 2014