

**TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES
Town Hall Council Chambers
September 24, 2012, Monday**

Present: Arthur Mathews, President
Patrick O'Connor, Vice President
Francis Burke, Councilor
Robert Conlon, Councilor
Kenneth DiFazio, Councilor
Jane Hackett, Councilor
Edmund Harrington, Councilor
Thomas J. Lacey, Councilor
Brian McDonald, Councilor
Michael Smart, Councilor

Not Present: Michael Molisse, Councilor

Also Present: William McKinney, Chief Financial Officer
George Lane, Town Solicitor
Kathy Deree, Town Clerk
Jim Clarke, Director of Planning & Commun. Development
Rob McLean, Director of Libraries
George Berg, Chairman, Redevelopment Authority

Recording Secretary: Mary Barker

President Mathews called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM. After the Pledge of Allegiance, Town Clerk Kathy Deree called the roll with one member absent. Council President Mathews reported that Councilor Molisse had a prior family commitment.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Vice President O'Connor announced the culmination of the Farmers Market events with the Great Pumpkin Giveaway to be held on October 6, 2012, noon-4PM at the town hall amphitheater and Libbey Field (rain date October 13, 2012).

Councilor Harrington announced the next WHS football game will be Friday, September 28, 2012 at 7PM at the high school and encouraged residents to support the WHS Wildcats, which are currently undefeated.

Councilor Conlon publicly thanked the Weymouth Health Department -public health nurses and Fallon Ambulance for the first aid/CPR class held on September 18, 2012. He noted that participation is free to residents, and he recommended residents sign up the next time the course is offered.

Councilor Hackett announced the new school superintendent will be formally introduced at an open house to be held at 6PM on Thursday at WHS. Parents and residents are invited to attend.

MINUTES

Budget/Management Committee Meeting minutes August 6, 2012

A MOTION was made by Vice President O'Connor to approve the minutes from the Budget/Management Committee Meeting of August 6, 2012 and was seconded by Councilor Smart. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

Special Town Council Meeting of August 6, 2012

A MOTION was made by Vice President O'Connor to approve the minutes from the Budget/Management Committee Meeting of April 23, 2012 and was seconded by Councilor Smart. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

Budget/Management Committee Meeting of September 4, 2012

A MOTION was made by Vice President O'Connor to approve the minutes from the Budget/Management Committee Meeting of September 4, 2012 and was seconded by Councilor Smart. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

Ordinance Committee Meeting of September 4, 2012

A MOTION was made by Vice President O'Connor to approve the minutes from the Ordinance Committee Meeting of September 4, 2012 and was seconded by Councilor Smart. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

Town Council Meeting of September 4, 2012

A MOTION was made by Vice President O'Connor to approve the minutes from the Town Council Meeting of September 4, 2012 and was seconded by Councilor Smart. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

RESIDENT AND COMMUNITY COMMENT

Taxpayers of Weymouth-Dominic Galluzzo of 86 Candia Street

Dominic Galluzzo presented to the council the following on behalf of the Taxpayers of Weymouth:

“Southfield residents do not pay taxes to Weymouth although they are defined as constituents. Why should Weymouth residents continue to do so? Neither branch of town government has upheld the no-cost clause of municipal services in the enabling legislation. It has not objected to the partnership declaration found in the final EIR of 2007 between our defined advocate (SSTDC) and LNR, the master developer, further illustrating its total disregard for the law and lack of protection to Weymouth and its taxpayers.”

Flat funding during the past eight years has Weymouth's municipal departments hard pressed to deliver services to Weymouth that did not include 1,400 acres of the project called Southfield. Our government has not defined the cost of any services rendered despite its enacted budget. It accepts capped dollar amounts defined by SSTD/LNR. In fact, it's often quoted, "we have to do everything possible to make Southfield a success." The meaning of that statement is long past due.

The final EIR submitted to the Massachusetts Environmental Protection Agency identified the preferred water source for the base as the Massachusetts Water Resource Authority. SSTD/LNR has admitted they never started the process to join it. Why is it suggested by Councilor Smart that Weymouth reduce its water rates to SSTD/LNR who adds almost 7% to the bill it receives from us before billing Southfield residents? It appears that Weymouth is being set up to have to join the MWRA by its own government at a cost of \$25-30 million as an initiation fee and 3-5 times higher water bills in the future.

Environmental Partners is the paid water consultant to Weymouth and SSTD/LNR regarding water issues at the former base. There is an appearance of a conflict; a conflict of interest that this government has never questioned. Taxpayers of Weymouth would like to know why.

Commissioned again in 2011 by SSTD/LNR, their report does not include significant additional water needs created by a major expansion at the South Shore Hospital; however, it proposes a smaller build out plan that is contrary to the reuse plan that you voted on. Why does our government remain silent? If there's any question in the plan that you voted on; it does state clearly: "maximum build out is mandated."

There needs to be an executed protective water management plan for Whitman's Pond and our limited natural drinking water supply, safeguarding it for Weymouth's future and not keeping the grass green at the SSTD/LNR project. Today, very low water levels at Great Pond and the south cove of Whitman's Pond are interfering with the herring young fry from returning to the sea once again. A no outdoor watering ban should be ordered now. We sit silent.

In July of 2012 this government received a summary of services and billings to SSTD/LNR from the Council's auditor. It has remained silent regarding low hourly rates stated for some municipal services and no hourly rates stated for health, fire and police protection, and municipal finance, begging the question: is this town's budget a document just to establish tax burdens to us? Costs created by SSTD/LNR exposes Weymouth's taxpayers to \$128 million, and counting. This was supposed to be a revenue stream. The state Board of Education has established Weymouth's cost per pupil in 2011 at \$11,500. Why hasn't Weymouth received that amount of money for each student attending our school system from SSTD? Their presence is no surprise, and that payment should have been made before these children entered the school district. If taxpayers want to learn more about the enabling actions of our government, I suggest you get on your computer and go to www.ARAWH.org. You'll find documents and

pictures that'll give you a clearer understanding of the negative impacts that are not openly reported.

Given the facts that surfaced, Capital Management Hedge Fund is in the process of selling LNR. Why hasn't our government disengaged? We don't need a new government; we need new participants for both branches of one government who will each honor their moral and fiduciary responsibilities to the taxpayers of Weymouth- leadership dedicated to protecting Weymouth and its taxpayers from special interests that do not pay real estate taxes to the town and are provided municipal services and natural assets to the detriment of Weymouth's future. It's got to stop and if this government can't do it, we'll vote in another one.

Participants; live up to what you promised when you asked for the vote. This government has made it clear it wants no discussion tonight; however, factual responses to Weymouth taxpayers addressing only these issues should be on a fast-tracked priority, and it is your challenge. Character assassinations and misinformation are not welcome. Good night, gentlemen."

Councilor Smart provided clarification of his comments that were alluded to in Mr. Galluzzo's statement. His comments regarding lowering the rates were made at a meeting at which Mr. Connolly and Mr. Wall were present. At the time, 2003 and 2004 and certainly when it was voted, no one envisioned three times the water rate. Those residents are Weymouth residents, some who have relocated from other parts of Weymouth who are now residing at Southfield. They are the constituents of District 6 and of every at-large councilor. He recommended the rates be more amicable to what was discussed then, and not charge them three and four times what it was.

Mr. Galluzzo responded that in his clarification that he has made it abundantly clear that residents of Southfield no longer need to pay taxes to the town of Weymouth, then why should the rest of the residents of the town?

PUBLIC HEARINGS

12 105-Community Preservation Committee- Fogg Library Phase III Renovations

A motion was made by Vice President O'Connor to OPEN the public hearing on item 12 105-Community Preservation Committee- Fogg Library Phase III Renovations, and was seconded by Councilor Smart. This was published on September 14, 2012.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

Council President Mathews noted the presentation by James Clarke, Director of Planning and Development, and Libraries Director Rob McLean, will include information pertinent to both public hearings 12 105 and 12 10,6 as Councilor Hackett asked if both public hearings may be held simultaneously. Solicitor Lane confirmed.

12 106-Special Purpose Stabilization Fund- Fogg Library Phase III Renovations

A motion was made by Councilor Hackett to OPEN the public hearing on item 12 106-Special Purpose Stabilization Fund- Fogg Library Phase III Renovations, and was seconded by Councilor Harrington. This was published on September 14, 2012.
UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

Jim Clarke presented an overview of the project. Phase I exterior repairs were largely completed by December 2010 and included a new roof, removal, repair and returning façade stonework, and shoring up of the roof. Cost was approximately \$1.6 million, less than originally budgeted. An additional \$650,000 was allocated by a vote by the council in February 2012 from HCA and CPC funding sources. The town also applied to the Massachusetts Historical Commission for funding through their grant and aid program. The town applied for \$100,000 and received \$40,000 in June. The town was ineligible for an additional grant due to the size of the building.

McKinnell, McKinnell & Taylor (architecture firm) was hired in the spring. They reviewed the work to be done and provided alternatives to layouts. They provided the town with a design/development survey report in June, with a cost estimate of about \$1.4 million. It did not include architect or engineering fees which are an additional \$160,000. Total cost of the project was just under \$1.6 million for Phase II. \$360,000 has been received from CPC and with approval of the Mayor; \$200,000 is sought from the HCA. Site work that enhances the square will also be requested. The ability to also utilize CDBG funding is being explored for handicapped access. This was discussed in February and it has received favorable review to move forward. A HUD representative toured the site in the spring and held a public hearing several weeks ago. \$300,000 will be allocated to include ramp work, the HP bathroom and the elevator.

This is now being considered as a three-phase project due to requirements from the MA Historical Commission; most importantly because of plan and specification deadlines that caused the work to be further split out.

Architect Jim McKinnell reviewed the cost estimates and site review. They reviewed the report from Cecil Group to provide a comprehensive study to be sure the work is in harmony with the plans for the square. He reviewed the parking plans and enhanced access to the existing entry of the basement from the parking. An elevator to service all three floors and two meeting rooms in the basement were reviewed. No mechanical or electrical upgrades were made over the life of the building; upgrades and humidity control has been addressed. There will be heat and air conditioning throughout the building.

Rob McLean, Library Director, reviewed the building programs which are based on the recommendations of the re-use committee. The basement will house two community meeting rooms and there will be bathroom and a kitchenette area. The back entrance will be utilized as much as the front entrance is currently. The entire library will be accessible to all. The main floor will continue to house library services. He noted the stained glass windows, one of which will be a part of the theme for the children's area. Original

furniture will be supplemented with updated furnishings. Wireless connectivity will be provided. There is a collection of Chelsea Art tiles from former educator Joseph Merton that will be on display, as well as a donation of his collected works, including some from ex-pat Weymouth artist Hunt. The top floor will house local historical collections, including papers of Merton, Fulton, Hunt and Twoomey available for local researchers. Outside site plan includes enhancements that makes the building approachable without detracting from improvements planned for the square.

Council President Mathews reported that the Budget/Management Committee has met and reviewed these plans in great detail. Councilor Conlon recommended landscaping which enhances the property and the area. He also noted the lack of magazine materials available at the Tufts Library and offered to purchase a subscription of the library's choice. Vice President O'Connor asked about staffing once the work is complete. Mr. McLean noted that the library will be open 24 hours per week and that the Mayor has committed to funding of one additional part time librarian and a part time custodian. Councilor Lacey asked for the breakdown of funding sources. Mr. Clarke responded that the total breakout of funds for both measures, in terms of both requested and committed funds is as follows:

HCA	\$600,000,
CPC	\$610,000
CDBG	\$300,000
MA Historical	\$40,000

Linda DeAngelo, President of the Back River Watershed - supports funding to library. She had the pleasure of putting together Mary Twoomey's archives for the library. Ms. Twoomey was a teacher, Town Meeting member, worked tirelessly on parks and was a volunteer dedicated to a cause and a priceless resource, the Back River. She hopes Ms. Twoomey's work will be studied by future generations at library. She also noted the need for the meeting rooms that will be of great service to groups.

A motion was made by Vice President O'Connor to CLOSE the public hearing on item 12 105 and 106-Special Purpose Stabilization Fund- Fogg Library Phase III Renovations, and was seconded by Councilor Smart. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

12 104-Animal Control Ordinance- Sections 6-700 through 6-801

A motion was made by Vice President O'Connor to OPEN the public hearing on item 12 104-Animal Control Ordinance- Sections 6-700 through 6-801 ,and was seconded by Councilor Smart. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

Solicitor Lane and Animal Control Officer Michael Parker reviewed the changes to the ordinance. Mr. Parker noted each of the changes to the original with the updated licensing and fine scales.

Councilor Conlon noted the time interval in the new language for leaving a dog unattended in a vehicle. Mr. Parker responded that it mainly has to do with the time of year and that it now allows for enforcement.

Councilor Burke asked on behalf of a constituent if the ordinance could be loosened to allow for dogs on beaches during some months as some towns now allow. Mr. Parker responded that it's a public health issue and that Weymouth has options other than the use of a public bathing beach for dogs.

A motion was made by Vice President O'Connor to CLOSE the public hearing on item 12 104-Animal Control Ordinance- Sections 6-700 through 6-801, and was seconded by Councilor Smart. Council President Mathews reported that the Ordinance Committee met and will make its recommendation of action to be taken at a future time.
UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

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

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Budget/Management Committee-Chairman Kenneth DiFazio

12 105-Community Preservation Committee- Fogg Library Phase III Renovations

Councilor DiFazio reported that this matter was referred to the committee on September 4, 2012. The committee met and deliberated on September 18, 2012. A public hearing was held on September 24, 2012.

On behalf of the Budget/Management Committee, a motion was made by Councilor DiFazio that the Town of Weymouth raise and appropriate the sum of \$36,000 from the Community Preservation Fund to fund the costs associated with the Fogg Library Phase III Renovations and was seconded by Vice President O'Connor. There was a brief discussion. Councilor DiFazio reported that \$3.1 million has been requested for the renovations which were originally estimated to cost \$2.3 million; however, none of these funds has come from the general fund. Councilor Smart urged the Council to support the measure. He noted that the added scope increasing the costs is a direct result of neglect and clearly illustrates what happens when a town does not put funding into general maintenance of its buildings. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

12 106-Special Purpose Stabilization Fund- Fogg Library Phase III Renovations

Councilor DiFazio reported that this matter was referred to the committee on September 4, 2012. The committee met and deliberated on September 18, 2012. A public hearing was held on September 24, 2012.

On behalf of the Budget/Management Committee, a motion was made by Councilor DiFazio that the Town of Weymouth raise and appropriate the sum of \$200,000 from the Special Purpose Stabilization Fund for the purpose of funding the costs associated with

the Fogg Library Phase III Renovations, and was seconded by Vice President O'Connor. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

Public Works Committee-Chairman Ed Harrington

Environmental Partners water study

Councilor Harrington reported that this matter was referred to the committee on September 24, 2012 to begin discussion. Councilor DiFazio made an opening presentation to the committee –chronological timetable, as follows, with supporting documentation:

CHRONOLOGICAL TIMETABLE

1. **February 28, 2002** Mayor Madden agrees with STTDC to provide the following in order to support Phase 1 of the project:
 - a. As of January 1, 2003 Weymouth will increase its committed water provision from 112,000 gpd to 150,000 gpd of water.
 - b. As of January 1, 2003 Weymouth will increase its acceptance of sewer flows from the base to 120,000 gpd.

2. **December 27, 2007** Mayor Madden agrees with SSTTDC to increase the limits of providing water and sewer to complete Phase 1 as follows:
 - a. As of January 1, 2008 Weymouth will increase its commitment for water to the project from 150,000 gpd to 245,000 gpd.
 - b. As of January 1, 2008 Weymouth will increase its acceptance of sewer flows from 120,000 gpd to 187,000 gpd.

3. **March 7, 2008** Mayor Kay enters into an MOA which maintains the above limits and additionally lays out the framework for the current payment scale and fees.

4. **September 2011** – our representatives on the SSTTDC Board appear before the Council and upon inquiry indicate that SSTTDC will not be seeking a request for any more water for Southfield from Weymouth than what has been previously requested pursuant to the 2008 MOA.

5. **April 2, 2012** the Town Council Budget/ Management Committee reported to the Town Council that a letter dated September 13, 2011 from Environmental Partners to SSTTDC had been discovered which indicated that SSTTDC had requested Environmental Partners to perform a technical feasibility assessment of an alternative water/sewer plan for Southfield, one that was entirely different than set forth in the Southfield FEIR an 2008 NPC. To the surprise of many, this study suggested that the town of Weymouth provide 40% of Southfield's full build out water and sewer needs.

6. **May 31, 2012** As chair of the Budget/Management Committee Councilor DiFazio requested from Weymouth's representatives on the SSTTDC Board of Directors to provide a copy of the results of the feasibility study (Exhibit "A"). Further, he requested that the representatives confirm the amount of dollars spent over the last 12 months on obtaining the MWRA as a preferred water source for Southfield
7. **June 5, 2012** he received from Weymouth's representatives on the SSTTDC Board the feasibility study as well as a response that SSTTDC has not expended any funds over the past twelve months in an effort to obtain an independent water source outside that of utilizing Weymouth, Hingham or Rockland, such as the MWRA. (Exhibit "B") The report was subsequently distributed to all councilors
 - a. * The results of the study indicate that with certain capital improvements and granting of permits the Town of Weymouth could potentially satisfy not just 40% of Southfield's water and sewer demands at full build out, but that Weymouth could satisfy the water/sewer demands of the entire Southfield project at full build out.
 - b. * The results of the study also indicate that SSTTDC introduced to Environmental partners a so- called "alternative build out scenario" which contemplates the project demanding less water and sewer at full build out.
8. **June 18, 2012** Councilor DiFazio appeared before the Town Council and distributed (Exhibit "C") outlining his concerns regarding the feasibility study itself and the assumptions made by SSTTDC regarding Southfield's water and sewer demands.
9. **July 13, 2012** he issued Exhibit "D" to our SSTTDC representatives requesting specific information regarding the so-called "alternative build-out scenario" which was input by SSTTDC into the feasibility study performed by Environmental Partners..
10. **July 17, 2012** he received a response from our SSTTDC Board Members that was not a response to his original request. Rather it just regurgitated the request without providing any further requested information. (Exhibit "E")
11. **July 18, 2012** Councilor DiFazio issued a second request to our SSTTDC Board members in an attempt to be more specific about the information regarding SSTTDC's input of lower water demand and sewer flows within the "alternative build out scenario." (Exhibit "F")
12. **August 3, 2012** he received a response from the Law Firm of Nutter McClennan & Fish, LLP (on behalf of SSTTDC) to his July 18, 2012 request indicating once again that SSTTDC, now through its attorneys, were not going to provide the

formula by which they calculated water and sewer demands for the so called “alternative build out scenario.” (Exhibit “G”)

13. **August 13, 2012** As succinctly as possible he, once again, requested the two calculations which would support the so-called “alternative build out demands in the feasibility study. (Exhibit “H”)
14. **August 16, 2012** Councilor DiFazio received a second response from the Law Firm of Nutter McClennan & Fish, LLP to correspondence dated August 13, 2012. This report indicates there is no further information available. (Exhibit “I”)

NEW BUSINESS

Update on Revitalization Plans for Weymouth Landing/District Two Town

Councilor Thomas J. Lacey

- James Clarke/Director of Planning and Community Development
- George Berg/Redevelopment Authority Chairperson
- Steven Cecil/Principal-Cecil Group

Councilor Lacey noted it is good to see that the water study issue is still being pursued. He asked the administration to present an update on Weymouth Landing and sent a letter supporting the request to examine three options to eliminate the blighted property in the landing district, including the taking of land by Eminent Domain. Mr. Clarke reviewed the options. The Cecil Group was hired to look at the options. The Redevelopment Authority voted to endorse the report and present the recommendations to the Mayor.

Steven Cecil reviewed the challenge of redeveloping these properties. Near the corner, adjacent to Braintree, is a series of parcels that have been underutilized for years. They were purchased by the current owner for redevelopment for commercial use. Previous proposals included a pharmacy. They collaborated with Braintree on a use that will take advantage of the nearby public transportation and provide a viable solution for the area and the residents. He reviewed the ranges of action the town can take and what is appropriate. The area thrived during trolley car days, but in today’s world, corners are not as valuable since there is either no parking or limited access. The building as a whole has limited parking. It also includes daylighting of an old brook that was supposed to have been completed under the mitigation agreement for T improvements, for visual attraction and environmental benefit. The multiple use of the property has been discussed with the developer. The holdup is business strategic potential and marketing constraints. In today’s retail market, there are businesses that will pay premium for both land or long-term leases because of their need to have strategically located places; pharmacies and groceries among them. They will locate proximal to their competition to establish and maintain a territory. In order to do so, they will pay significantly more than the average smaller commercial local use. As a result, securing one of these retailers is valuable to the developer. The developer has been looking to attract one of those national retail establishments. A grocery wouldn’t fit, but a pharmacy would and the developer

attempted to attract one. There's also the possibility it could attract a branch bank. If not successful attracting that kind of use, he will need to attract smaller, more local tenants. The owner has owned for several years; the taxes are not insignificant, and it's reaching the point where he can't afford to sit on the property much longer. He wants to do the best that he can with the property. One of the other major constraints is parking with the use of the second floors. 40% or more of the site is required for parking. The church parish owns one parcel and the other is owned by Weymouth/Braintree; which also has 50 spaces designated for future parking needs by the T. Developing the ground floor as commercial, with housing on top will not be supported by the amount of parking available. It makes sense for 1-story use. Parking would be required below grade and is too expensive to build.

The town can accelerate by purchasing the property and reselling – dubious under current market conditions, and the parking issue would still exist. Then this becomes the town's problem. Pursuing eminent domain would cost the town about 1.5 times the value of the land, and would not be recovered. The town should look to partner with the developer to motivate development. There are marketing steps taken by other communities that were studied. Mr. Cecil reviewed the particular parking constraints. The jumbling together of parcels created inefficiently laid out parking. He reviewed how a better layout through a series of agreements with lot owners can provide additional parking and make the area more attractive to commercial development. His recommendation is to work with the owner of the property as quickly as possible, and with the various owners and the town in creating a better business and economic stance and encourage the redevelopment in the Landing.

During this discussion, George Berg, Chairman of the Redevelopment Authority, arrived.

Councilor Lacey noted his frustration with this. The issue is complex, with an owner who has sat idle while the town has approved an overlay to the zoning district and secured a \$2 million PWED grant for streetscaping upgrades in the Landing. The news that it's not best to pursue eminent domain; that it would present risk financially and in the length of time it will take, is disappointing. He thanked the Redevelopment Authority for their efforts with the Cecil Group. It is time for the town to challenge the owner to do something about the property by pursuing an agreement to reconfigure the parking scheme. It seems everyone is open to this avenue except Mr. Delegas. The town should continue to put pressure on him to market and strive to make the Landing successful.

There was a moderate discussion. Vice Chairman O'Connor asked for an update on the conditions of the building after the most recent report of a fire in one of the units and potential danger and liability by its accessibility to transients. He asked if the town could condemn the building. Mr. Clarke responded that he has been in touch with the Building Inspector who has not recommended taking this action at this time. Vice Chairman O'Connor also noted that the current building is a disgrace to the town and the owner has made a conscious decision to close his building down. He wished there were stronger suggestions for action by the Cecil Group report.

Councilor Conlon concurred with Vice Chairman O'Connor and recommended the town partner with Braintree and pursue taking the property by eminent domain.

Councilor Smart noted the pumping station impeding some parking improvements can be moved since sewer line improvements were made through the Capital Improvement Plan. He also noted a shared parking agreement is not a new concept.

Councilor Burke asked if there is a master plan for the landing to make it more attractive to developers. Councilor Lacey responded that an overlay of the zoning district was adopted to loosen restrictions. He noted the Mayor is anxious to pursue some of the options in the report. There has also been discussions with Braintree's Mayor Sullivan who is equally frustrated. Councilor Lacey recommended continuing pursuing available avenues outlined in the Cecil Group report which will encourage commercial redevelopment and bring an end to the blight in the Landing district.

Correspondence to Mayor Kay regarding memorandum of understanding for the Fore River Bridge-District One Councilor Francis Burke

Councilor Burke reported that he has attended many of the meetings surrounding the redesign of the bridge over Fore River in North Weymouth. It has become clear that MassDOT does not want to come to the table to make this a livable agreement for the residents, similar to the agreement that was in place with Site Energy. The replacement project is slated to begin in November, although 60% of the area residents are still in favor of bascule versus vertical lift. They are resigned to getting the vertical lift. Administration is attempting to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement with MassDOT, Weymouth, Braintree and Quincy, and Councilor Burke would like to go on record supporting the efforts. He provided an initial draft of the proposed correspondence to Mayor Kay and requests referral to Economic Development Committee

A MOTION was made by Councilor Burke to refer the matter and draft letter to the Economic Development Committee and was seconded by Councilor Lacey.
UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

ADJOURNMENT

The next Town Council Meeting has been scheduled for October 1, 2012. At 9:46 PM, there being no further business, a MOTION was made by Vice President O'Connor to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Councilor Smart. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

Approved by Council President Arthur Mathews

Respectfully submitted by Mary Barker as Recording Secretary