

**TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES
BUDGET/MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
Town Hall Council Chambers
November 15, 2010 - Monday**

Present: Ken DiFazio, Chairperson
Patrick O'Connor, Vice Chairperson
Arthur Mathews
Michael Smart

Also Present: George Lane, Town Solicitor

Recording Secretary: Mary Barker

Chairman Kenneth DiFazio called the Budget/Management Committee meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

10 117- Appointment Library Director-Robert MacLean

Robert MacLean was introduced to the committee. He reviewed his background for the committee. Councilors Smart and Molisse noted their support of the appointment.

A MOTION was made by Councilor O'Connor to forward item 10 117 to the full Town Council with a recommendation for favorable action and was seconded by Councilor Smart. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

10 118- Appointment to the Commission on Disabilities-Maria Flynn

Maria Flynn was introduced to the committee. She reviewed her qualifications and her interest in serving the town. Chairman DiFazio noted her outstanding résumé.

A MOTION was made by Councilor O'Connor to forward item 10 118 to the full Town Council with a recommendation for favorable action and was seconded by Councilor Smart. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

10 119- Appointment to the Commission on Disabilities-Janet Walsh

Janet Walsh was introduced to the committee. She reviewed her qualifications, her participation as shop steward in Local 26 and her interest in serving the town.

A MOTION was made by Councilor O'Connor to forward item 10 119 to the full Town Council with a recommendation for favorable action and was seconded by Councilor Smart. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

10 120- Appointment to the Cultural Council-Sandra Peters

Ms. Peters was not present. Chairman DiFazio reviewed the letter of interest she submitted to the Mayor.

A MOTION was made by Councilor O'Connor to forward item 10 120 to the full Town Council with a recommendation for favorable action and was seconded by Councilor Smart. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

10 121- Appointment to the Zoning Board of Appeals as an Alternate-Jonathan Moriarty

Jonathan Moriarty was introduced to the committee. He reviewed his qualifications and interest in serving. He is a practicing attorney, resident of South Weymouth since 2004 and former Randolph zoning board member.

A MOTION was made by Councilor O'Connor to forward item 10 121 to the full Town Council with a recommendation for favorable action and was seconded by Councilor Smart. Councilor Molisse stressed the importance of site visits to the appeals process and asked Mr. Moriarty to consider it with his service on the BZA. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

10 122- Reappointment to the Board of Health-Karen DeTellis

A MOTION was made by Councilor O'Connor to forward item 10 122 to the full Town Council with a recommendation for favorable action and was seconded by Councilor Smart. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

10 123- Reappointment to the Board of Health-Maureen DelPrete

A MOTION was made by Councilor O'Connor to forward item 10 123 to the full Town Council with a recommendation for favorable action and was seconded by Councilor Smart. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

10 124- Reappointment of Clerk of the Council-Franklin Fryer

A MOTION was made by Councilor O'Connor to forward item 10 119 to the full Town Council with a recommendation for favorable action and was seconded by Councilor Smart. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

Issue:Tax Incremental Financing Agreement Between the Town of Weymouth and Sithe Energy

The committee at its last meeting voted to send a letter to Solicitor Lane requesting certain information. Mr. Lane and Mr. Murstein were invited to the table. Solicitor Lane reviewed the history and negotiation of the financing agreement, which was signed in 1999. Any increased value in the plant was due to the addition in environmental footprint. Any value added was a result of environmental equipment and is tax exempt. The plant presently operates only at peak hours and has met all tax and utility obligations. Current bankruptcy proceedings do not appear to affect it and Mr. Murstein believes it is only as a means to transfer ownership. To revisit the issue would require engaging counsel. He reported that any modification of the TIF would have to be renegotiated and it does not appear at this time to be in the best interest of the town. The consensus of the committee was to report back to the Council that the matter is still under evaluation and to request through George Lane to the Administration the following information:

1. The original design cost
2. The current assessed value
3. Terms, conditions and date the TIF was signed
4. Specific environmental items in the design modifications

Adjournment

At 6:35 PM, there being no further business, Councilor O'Connor made a MOTION to ADJOURN the meeting and was seconded by Councilor Smart. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

Respectfully submitted by Mary Barker as Recording Secretary

Approved by Chairman Kenneth DiFazio