

MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL

Town Hall Council Chambers

February 19, 2008

Present: Michael Smart, President
Arthur Mathews, Vice-President
Robert Conlon
Kenneth J. DiFazio
Ed Harrington
Thomas J. Lacey
Brian McDonald
Patrick O'Connor
Victor Pap, III
Kevin Whitaker

Also Present: Susan Kay, Mayor
Maureen Duffy, Town Auditor
Franklin Fryer, Town Clerk
George Lane, Town Solicitor
James Wilson, Chief Financial Officer

Not Present: Michael Molisse

Recording Secretary: Janet Murray

President Smart called the Town Council Meeting to order at 7:30pm.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Council President Smart stated that Councilor Molisse had notified him that he would not be present this evening due to a prior family commitment.

Councilor Harrington announced that on 3/10/08 there will be a meeting of the Rules Committee.

Councilor Harrington thanked Mr. Galluzzo for bringing his concerns regarding legislation affecting the South Shore Tri-Town Development Corp. (SSTTC) and Southfield. Councilor Harrington announced that there would be open discussion held on this topic on 2/24/08 from noon – 1pm at the New England Wildlife Center. This event is being sponsored by the Forest Street Neighborhood Association.

Councilor Harrington announced that the Weymouth High School hockey team made the playoffs.

Citation Issuance for Heroic Firefighters Rescue at Whitman's Pond

- Mayor Susan Kay
- Council President Michael Smart
- Chief Robert Leary
- Councilor O'Connor
- Representative James Murphy

Fire Department employees were recognized for their heroic actions in rescuing an individual who had fallen through the ice at Whitman's Pond.

MINUTES

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A MOTION was made by Councilor Mathews to ACCEPT the minutes from 1/22/08 and was seconded by Councilor O'Connor and UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

COMMUNICATION FROM MAYOR, TOWN OFFICERS, AND TOWN BOARDS

08 012-Acceptance of Land Donation-103 Norton Street

Solicitor Lane stated that the owner of 103 Norton Street, Harold B. Nash, has donated this property to the Town of Weymouth. The measure reads as follows:

- That the Town of Weymouth, through Town Council, authorize the acceptance of a bequest of land for conservation purposes, located at 103 Norton Street, Weymouth, and containing approximately 108,000 square feet, and abutting the Weymouth Fore River and conservation land.

Councilor Conlon noted that there appears to be a structure on the site along with debris. Solicitor Lane pointed out that there is another parcel adjacent to this lot.

Councilor Conlon pointed out that there is a chain link fence but the gate is open; a lock is needed. Solicitor Lane stated that this would be brought to DPW attention.

A MOTION was made by Councilor Mathews to REFER item number 08 012 to the Budget/Management Committee and was seconded by Councilor O'Connor and was UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

08 013-Compact Disc Antitrust Litigation Distribution-Action Requested under 2-9b

Solicitor Lane stated that this item is a request to accept a monetary distribution in connection with the Attorney General's Compact Disc Litigation Settlement. He pointed out that this item is being requested under 2-9b action because it is time sensitive and must be completed by 3/13/08- the timetable set forth by Attorney General. There is still administrative work to be done.

The measure reads as follows:

- That the Town of Weymouth, through the Weymouth Town Council authorize the acceptance of a monetary distribution in connection with the Attorney Generals' Compact Disc Litigation Settlement relating to public libraries, and to further authorize the creation of the CD Antitrust Litigation Settlement Account, and with the consent of the Mayor, authorize the Library Director to expend those funds, and any earned interest, as specified in said Settlement.

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A MOTION was made by Councilor Mathews to take item number 08 013 UNDER 2-9b, same night action, and was seconded by Councilor O'Connor and was UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

A MOTION was made by Councilor Mathews to APPROVE favorable action on item number 08 013 and was seconded by Councilor O'Connor and was UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

08 014-Archaeological Study-43 Bicknell Road

A MOTION was made by Councilor Mathews to REFER item number 08 014 to the Budget/Management Committee and was seconded by Councilor O'Connor and was UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

08 015-Reorganizational Plan/Revisions to the Municipal Code-Chapter Four

A MOTION was made by Councilor Mathews to REFER item number 08 015 to the Ordinance Committee and was seconded by Councilor O'Connor and was UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

08 016-Appointment of Director of Information Technology/Administrative Services-Michael Gallagher

A MOTION was made by Councilor Mathews to REFER item number 08 016 to the Budget/Management Committee and was seconded by Councilor O'Connor and was UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

Late Agenda Item (08 017)

A MOTION was made by Councilor Mathews to CONSIDER a late agenda item and was seconded by Councilor O'Connor and was UNANIMOUSLY VOTED. This is a request to re-appropriate \$6,650.

A MOTION was made by Councilor Mathews to REFER item number 08 017 to Budget/Management and was seconded by Councilor O'Connor and UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:05pm there being no further business, Councilor Mathews MOTIONED to adjourn and Councilor O'Connor seconded and was UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

Approved by: _____
Michael Smart, President