

MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL
Town Hall Council Chambers
June 1, 2009

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

Not Present: Kenneth DiFazio

Also Present: Franklin Fryer, Town Clerk
Maureen Duffy, Town Auditor
George Lane, Town Solicitor
James Wilson, Chief Financial Officer
Michael Gallagher, Director of Administrative Services
James Clarke, Director of Planning

Recording Secretary: Diane T. Hachey

President Smart called the Town Council Meeting to order at 7:30 PM. Town Clerk, Franklin Fryer, conducted the roll call. Councilor DiFazio had a business appointment and would be late for the meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilor Molisse cautioned the public of individuals going door-to-door posing as Town of Weymouth Employees. There have been two reports of this and he notes that all town and service providers (Comcast, National Grid etc.) always display picture identification badges. Any questions should be directed to either the Police Department or Town Hall. Councilor Molisse has contacted the Police and Elder Services in order that they are aware. He cited similar instances in Quincy in recent weeks.

Councilor Lacey extended his gratitude to the Homestead Civic Association for the recent beautification project in Weymouth Landing. Work to the retaining wall and other areas

in the landing are notable.

President Smart announced the formation of the Charter Review Commission of which the make up is five appointees by the Mayor; and two resident appointees and two Councilor appointees by the Council President. He and Vice President Mathews are meeting at month's end to discuss the composition of this committee which will begin their work in September. All interested candidates should contact either the Mayor's or Town Council Office.

MINUTES

Annual Town Meeting Minutes of May 11, 2009

Councilor Mathews motioned for favorable action, seconded by Councilor O'Connor and voted unanimously.

Budget/Management Committee Meeting minutes of May 14, 2009

Councilor Mathews motioned for favorable action, seconded by Councilor O'Connor and voted unanimously.

Budget/Management Committee Meeting minutes of May 19, 2009

Councilor Mathews motioned for favorable action, seconded by Councilor O'Connor and voted unanimously.

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

09 085-CDBG and Home Funding 2009-2010-CDBG-R (Stimulus) Funding (Substantial Amendment to 2008-2009 Fiscal Year Annual Action Plan)

Mr. Gallagher presented on behalf of the Mayor's Office. He requested that the Town of Weymouth accept the fiscal year 2009-2010 HUD grants in the amounts of \$819,660 in CDBG funding and \$197,574 in HOME Investment Partnership funds. Additionally, that the Town of Weymouth accept the fiscal year 2009-2010 HUD grant made available through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. The total funding available to the town is \$217,173. Furthermore, that the Director of Planning and Community Development, with the consent of the Mayor, is permitted to expend said grants in their entirety as described. Councilor Mathews motioned for referral to the Budget/Management Committee, seconded by Councilor O'Connor and voted 9-0-1 with Councilor Pap abstaining.

09 086-Inter-Municipal Health Service Agreement

Mr. Gallagher requested on behalf of the Mayor's Office that the Town of Weymouth, through the Town Council and with the approval of the Mayor, authorize the Mayor to execute a contract in the name of the Town of Weymouth, pursuant to the provisions of G.L.C. 40 S4A, for mutual aid assistance between public health agencies of certain municipalities entering into this agreement, when the resources normally available to a municipality are not sufficient to cope with a situation which requires public health action. Councilor Mathews motioned for referral to the Budget/Management Committee, seconded by Councilor O'Connor and voted unanimously.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

BUDGET/MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE-CHAIRMAN KENNETH DIFAZIO

Vice Chairman Patrick O'Connor reported on behalf of the Chairman who was not present.

09 080-Reappointment to the Board of Registrars-Kenneth Karlberg

The Budget/Management Committee met on 5/26 and voted unanimous favorable action. Councilor O'Connor motioned for favorable action, seconded by Councilor Mathews and voted unanimously.

09 081-Reappointment to the Cultural Council-Charlene Terravecchia

The Budget/Management Committee met on 5/26 and voted unanimous favorable action. Councilor O'Connor motioned for favorable action, seconded by Councilor Mathews and voted unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

09 087-Recording Secretary Funding

President Smart made a recommendation to pull this measure until a funding source is determined by Administration. This measure will be addressed at the June 15th Town Council meeting. The language for inclusion to the motion was discussed. Councilor Mathews motioned to suspend measure number 09 087 until June 15, 2009, seconded by Councilor O'Connor and voted unanimously.

09 088-Community Preservation Fund Land Purchase **(necessitates executive session)**

Mr. Gallagher notes that this purchase is currently in negotiation and once finalized will require deliberation in executive session. The Mayor is requesting a committee referral, and this was agreed upon by Jim Clarke who was present. President Smart asked if this measure requires executive session for both Budget/Management and Town Council deliberations. Mr. Clarke noted that this would depend on the status of the negotiations at that point in time, as the situation is ongoing. Councilor Mathews motioned for referral to the Budget/Management Committee, seconded by Councilor O'Connor and **voted 9-0 (Councilor Pap left meeting).**

Councilor Whitaker called for a point of order on measure number 09 087 (Recording Secretary Funding) and asked if same night action would occur on June 15. It was noted that this would be dependent upon the detail of the funding source.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to conduct, Councilor Mathews motioned to adjourn at 7:48 PM, seconded by Councilor O'Connor and voted unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by: Diane T. Hachey

Approved by:

Michael Smart-Town Council President