

MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL
Town Hall Council Chambers
September 6, 2005

Present: T. J. Lacey, President
Michael Smart, Vice-President
Paul J. Leary
Colin McPherson
Joseph Connolly
Kenneth DiFazio
Susan Kay
Michael Molisse
Arthur Mathews
Gregory Hargadon
Gregory Shanahan

Also Present: David Madden, Mayor
George Lane, Town Solicitor
James Wilson, Chief Financial Officer
Franklin Fryer, Town Clerk
Richard Swanson, Town Auditor
Jane Hackett, Chief of Staff

Recording Secretary: Janet Murray

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilor Molisse thanked the Parks and Recreation Department for the great events that were held this past summer. Family Fun Day and Great Esker Park Day were two examples of the programs held.

Councilor Shanahan noted that Webb State Park has re-opened. There will be a Community Celebration Day on 9/10/05.

Councilor DiFazio announced that the East Weymouth Neighborhood Association will hold a Candidate's Night on 9/22/05 at the Sons of Italy Hall. There will be a social hour beginning at 6:30pm. The question and answer period will begin at 7:00pm.

Councilor Connolly asked for a moment of silence in recognition of the residents of Louisiana, Mississippi, and Alabama and the difficult times they have been experiencing.

Councilor Leary commended all of the citizens who worked on the referendum petition regarding the disposition of the South Weymouth Naval Air Station. Even though there were many obstacles to overcome, they came very close to their goal.

Councilor Kay announced that the League of Women Voters of Weymouth has chosen their "Volunteer of the Year". This year the award will go to Lorraine Larrabee. She has worked on

environmental issues, including Whitman's Pond. She will be honored on Friday 9/9/05 at the Weymouth Elks.

Councilor Leary stated that the Police Department will be sponsoring a blood drive at the Weymouth Elks on Friday 9/9/05 from noon to 6pm.

Councilor Mathews wanted to personally thank the Fire Department. A month ago his parent's home caught on fire at approximately the same time as two other fires. He stated that he was appreciative of their great effort on that night.

Councilor Kay noted on 8/13/05 there were a string of storms which resulted in the need for the evacuation of the Union I Towers senior housing high rise in Weymouth Landing. She noted that the Police, Fire and Civil Defense worked diligently in a coordinated effort to make the best of a difficult situation.

Councilor Lacey reiterated Councilor Kay's comments regarding the 8/13/05 incident.

He also announced that Councilor Shanahan has accepted the role of representing the Council on the Ordinance Review Committee which is required by the Charter. Councilor Lacey also noted that Diane Hachey and Claire Cunningham have agreed to represent the residents of Weymouth in this process. The Mayor will also make appointments.

Councilor Lacey stated that Diana Walsh had sent an email inquiring if South Shore Tri-Town Development Corporation had offered any assistance to the evacuees from Hurricane Katrina. Councilor Lacey stated that he had been informed by Terry Fancher of Tri-Town that an inquiry has been made to the Governor's Office regarding a site visit to review the feasibility of using the former air station's facilities in this relief effort. Councilor Lacey noted that there is a site on the Cape that is being used for this purpose.

MINUTES

Joint Public Hearing - Town Council/Planning Board – 06/16/05

These minutes were tabled at the 7/21/05 meeting.

A MOTION was made by Councilor Smart to APPROVE the minutes of the 07/21/05 Town Council Meeting and was seconded by Councilor Hargadon and UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

Public Safety – 07/05/05

A MOTION was made by Councilor Smart to APPROVE the minutes of the 07/05/05 Public Safety Meeting and was seconded by Councilor Hargadon and UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

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Special Town Council – 07/21/05

A MOTION was made by Councilor Smart to APPROVE the minutes of the 07/21/05 Special Town Council Meeting and was seconded by Councilor Hargadon and UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

Special Town Council – 07/25/05

A MOTION was made by Councilor Smart to APPROVE the minutes of the 07/25/05 Special Town Council Meeting AS AMENDED.

Councilor Lacey noted that the amendments are included in the packet distributed this evening.

Councilor Kay made a SUBSTITUTE MOTION to TABLE the minutes, as there has not been an opportunity to review them and was seconded by Councilor Smart and UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES

Budget/Management – 05/24/05

A MOTION was made by Councilor Smart to APPROVE the minutes of the 05/24//05 Budget/Management Executive Session meeting and was seconded by Councilor Kay and UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

Town Council – 06/06/05

A MOTION was made by Councilor Smart to APPROVE the minutes of the 06/06/05 Town Council Executive Session meeting and was seconded by Councilor Mathews and UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

05 098 – Massachusetts Electric/Verizon Petition – Essex Street

A MOTION was made by Councilor Smart to OPEN the public hearing and was seconded by Councilor Hargadon and UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

Abutters were notified on 08/24/05.

Lynn Larson represented Massachusetts Electric regarding the installation of a new pole at pole #15 on the westerly side of Essex Street. The purpose of this request is to provide proper guying for the existing pole.

Councilor Kay questioned what guying is. Ms. Larson stated that guying is the proper support for the pole. There is a pole on one side of the street that requires support in the opposite direction. A pole is required on the other side of the street. The guying is from one pole to the other with a wire. The new pole would be approximately 27 feet high.

Councilor Smart inquired if there was a representative from Verizon present tonight. Ms. Larson stated there is not. She noted that the pole is jointly owned with Verizon for potential future use.

Councilor Smart noted that he is asking because he has an issue with Verizon and uncompleted work at Route 18 and Pond and Pleasant Streets. He stated that he would not be in favor of new poles until this intersection's work is completed. He also stated that he is disappointed that Verizon is not represented this evening.

Ms. Larson stated that Mass. Electric has an active program to monitor the number of double poles in the town. This program also looks at the number of poles that Verizon needs to transfer from so the poles can be removed. It was noted that 16 double poles had been removed, reducing the number of double poles from 33 to 17.

Councilor Smart acknowledged Mass. Electric's work, but stated that he was referring to the 40-50 poles along the Mass. Highway's project that need to be addressed. Ms. Larson stated that she would attempt to contact Verizon in order to expedite the completion of the project.

Councilor Connolly stated that he and Councilor Smart had been in contact with Verizon recently. He stated that Verizon had given the end of September as a completion date for the work at Independence Square. He noted that they will be held to that commitment. He also questioned who owns the database for double poles. Ms. Larson stated that she believed that the database is shared. He asked for a quarterly update meeting because he noted that although 16 double poles were removed, 10 additional double poles were created for a net gain of 6.

Councilor DiFazio questioned how it was decided that this pole needs guying. The engineer's report indicates that a resident expressed concern that there was a rotted tree that was supposed to be providing support for the pole. The rotted tree has been removed. Permission is requested to install this pole to support the existing pole.

Councilor Mathews stated that he shared Councilor Smart and Connolly's concerns regarding the pole situation on Route 18 in South Weymouth. He noted that Mass. Electric has stated that their work on the poles is completed, that the issue is now with Verizon. Councilor Mathews questioned if Verizon leased the poles from Mass. Electric. Ms. Larson noted that the poles are owned jointly.

Councilor Kay asked about the number of wires on the poles. She noted that on the joint poles, Mass. Electric can not have more than 20 wires and Verizon is not to exceed 40 wires for aerial

cables. Verizon's cables and wires are to be placed at a height of not less than 18 feet. Ms. Larson stated that because Mass. Electric and Verizon's wires are at different levels, if Verizon feels that lower support is required, they can put an additional wire for support at a lower level.

Councilor Leary questioned if there is a minimum height on the guy wire. This minimum is established by DPU. Ms. Larson stated that proper clearance must be adhered to when the wires cross the street.

Councilor Lacey asked if there was anyone in the audience who would like to speak- to which there was the following response.

Matthew Bodziony of 138 Essex Street stated that he was the resident who called regarding the rotted tree. He had questions regarding the placement of the new pole on his property and if any damage might be done to his yard. He noted that he had recently spent \$30,000 improving the front of his property.

Ms. Larson stated the intention is to place the pole within the town layout so that it would not be on his property.

Councilor Lacey asked if the tree belongs to Mr. Bodziony. Mr. Bodziony stated that the tree is on his property about 10 feet off the road.

Ms. Larson agreed to meet on the site to stake the placement of the pole. She noted that any damage done at the site would be repaired by Mass. Electric.

Councilor Hargadon asked about attaching the wire to another tree. Ms. Larson stated that Mass. Electric tries not to link the wires to trees because of the issue of the stability of the tree.

Councilor Lacey suggested that waiting until after Mass. Electric has met with the resident would be the best approach.

Mark Ward of 4 Grampian Way stated that he is concerned about aesthetics and the position of the pole. Ms. Larson stated that the new pole would only provide support and would not have other wires on it. She noted that because of the direction of the needed support, a sidewalk anchor would have to be placed on the street side of the pole and would interfere with traffic.

A MOTION was made by Councilor Smart to CONTINUE the public hearing on Item #05 098 and was seconded by Councilor Connolly and UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

COMMUNICATION FROM MAYOR, TOWN OFFICERS, AND TOWN BOARDS

Presentation of Proposed Amended Fiscal Year 2006 Operating Budget – Mayor David Madden

Councilor Lacey welcomed the Mayor. Mayor Madden addressed the Council regarding the Fiscal Year 2006 Operating Budget.

The Mayor stated that the Town's overall revenue is approximately \$116 million. He noted the following adjustments:

- \$500,000 less in state aid that had been predicted.
- \$121,000 less for the Academy Avenue project due to changes in the reimbursements.
- \$100,000 less in new growth.
- \$70,000 more due to the de-certification of the TIF agreement.
- \$1.38 Million from the agreement with Tri-Town and LNR.

All of these numbers are reflected in the revenues. This amounts to about an \$800,000 increase from projections in April.

He noted that the adjusted amount for salaries is increased by about \$272,000. State assessments have increased by about \$213,000. Almost all of the increase is due to the Retired Teachers Health Insurance Fund. The total increase for this fund's assessment on the Cherry Sheet is almost \$500,000.

An additional \$144,000 has been budgeted for the fuel depot. Bids were opened in June for gasoline and diesel. He noted that the price of fuel has increased dramatically. He noted that we were able to put \$97,000 back into the operating budget from the Fire Department lease of the vehicles. The Reserve Fund was increased by \$76,000 to almost \$500,000. \$34,000 was budgeted for an insurance deductible.

He stated that the net state aid is \$25.5 million. This is a decrease of about \$3 million from what the town received in 2001.

Water Department operating budget was increased by \$347,000. This will cover two items. The first is phase two and three of the pilot program for the replacement of the water treatment plant at Great Pond. The second is to look at decommissioning the old lagoons since the new lagoons are now operational.

\$4.1 million should be certified for free cash. He noted that at this point the requests to be presented total \$2.4 million, leaving \$1.7 million in free cash for the remainder of the year in addition to \$500,000 in the reserve fund. Some of the items being requested for use of free cash are:

- Snow removal for last year at \$830,000.
- 53rd week of payroll.
- \$144,000 for the cleanup project at Abigail Adams
- Salary increases for negotiated settlements with the Fire Dept, DPW, Dispatchers with the Police Department, and non-union salaries.
- Water and sewer
- Clean up at Hollis Street, 180,000
- 30,000 to take down water tower on Randall Ave.
- Telephone system replacement
- DPW Water share of their union raises
- \$360,000 for repair program for ejector stations

- \$50,000 for fats, oil, and grease program – to keep sewer lines clear
- \$300,000 for Contract #3 – pipe under Route 3 and the Libby Industrial Park pumping station. Ledge was encountered under Route 3.

The Mayor stated that he believes the Town is well-positioned to fund what needs to be funded and cover the remainder of costs for this Fiscal Year. In terms of Fiscal year 2007, a meeting is scheduled for Thursday for planning for FY 07. All open positions will be reviewed, and revenue projections and state aid will also be reviewed.

Councilor Smart asked for a Point of Order regarding Item #05 099 and rescinding the operating budget FY06. He questioned why it needs to be referred to Budget/Management.

Councilor Smart stated that a member of the Council would need to recommend the vote to rescind the budget. He didn't understand what the referral to Budget/Management would accomplish, since it would limit the discussion to the five members of that committee.

Ms. Hackett stated that the intention is to take back the budget that was acted upon in June of 2005 and replace it with this operating budget. She also noted that several times the Town Council has rescinded other measures such as in the Water and Sewer Division.

Councilor McPherson stated that to vote the succeeding measure you would have to rescind the preceding measure-Item #05 099 and #05 100 need to be looked at together.

Councilor Smart questioned why a supplemental budget was not submitted. Ms. Hackett stated that there had been concerns in the past regarding the use of one full document rather than a budget with multiple supplemental budgets. This is a different method. Rather than a supplemental budget, a request to rescind and a request to adopt a new operating budget has been presented.

Councilor Leary asked if the entire budget would be referred back. This would require a public hearing. The previous budget took almost two months to review.

Councilor Mathews questioned if this discussion was playing with words and the item should be referred to Budget/Management for discussion.

Solicitor George Lane stated that whether you call it a motion to rescind, it is basically an amendment after adoption of the main motion, which was the budget. What is being done is amending the prior vote. He acknowledged that the word rescission has a stinging affect but the motion is to adopt an amended budget.

Councilor DiFazio questioned if the mitigation agreement with Tri-Town and LNR has been signed. Ms. Hackett stated that it has not yet been signed. However, she also stated that DOR is ok with the inclusion of this money in the budget.

Councilor McPherson stated that he believed that the issue was one of verbiage.

Councilor Kay expressed concern regarding the rescission of the budget and stated that in her mind this would require beginning the process over again and could even require another Town Meeting.

05 099 – Operating Measure – Vote to Rescind Operating FY06 Budget

A MOTION was made by Councilor McPherson to REFER to Budget/Management Item #05 099 and was seconded by Councilor Hargadon and was passed on a 7-4 vote as follows:

Councilor McPherson – Yes
Councilor Hargadon – Yes
Councilor Shanahan – Yes
Councilor Lacey – No
Councilor Smart – No
Councilor Molisse – Yes

Councilor Kay - No
Councilor Mathews - Yes
Councilor DiFazio - Yes
Councilor Leary - No
Councilor Connolly - Yes

05 100 – Operating Measure – FY06 Appropriation

A MOTION was made by Councilor Smart to REFER to Budget/Management Item #05 100 and was seconded by Councilor Mathews and UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

A MOTION was made by Councilor Smart to approve the REFERRAL of Items #05 101 through #05 111 to Budget/Management as a group and was seconded by Councilor Hargadon and UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

05 101 – Operating Measure – Operating Measure – Water Enterprise Fund Appropriation Order – Rescind Order 05 044

A MOTION was made by Councilor Smart to REFER to Budget/Management Item #05 101 and was seconded by Councilor Hargadon and UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

05 102 – Operating Measure – Water Enterprise Fund Appropriation Order

A MOTION was made by Councilor Smart to REFER to Budget/Management Item #05 102 and was seconded by Councilor Hargadon and UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

05 103 – Operating Measure – Water Enterprise Appropriation Order Conservation Account

A MOTION was made by Councilor Smart to REFER to Budget/Management Item #05 103 and was seconded by Councilor Hargadon and UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

05 104 – Operating Measure – Sewer Enterprise Mitigation Appropriation Order – Rescind Order 05 045

A MOTION was made by Councilor Smart to REFER to Budget/Management Item #05 104 and was seconded by Councilor Hargadon and UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

05 105 – Operating Measure – Sewer Enterprise Fund Appropriation Order – Rescind Order 05 046

A MOTION was made by Councilor Smart to REFER to Budget/Management Item #05 105 and was seconded by Councilor Hargadon and UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

05 106 – Operating Measure – Sewer Enterprise Appropriation Order Mitigation Account

A MOTION was made by Councilor Smart to REFER to Budget/Management Item #05 106 and was seconded by Councilor Hargadon and UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

05 107 – Operating Measure – Sewer Enterprise Fund Appropriation Order

A MOTION was made by Councilor Smart to REFER to Budget/Management Item #05 107 and was seconded by Councilor Hargadon and UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

05 108 – DPW Collective Bargaining Agreement – Free Cash and Retained Earnings Appropriation

A MOTION was made by Councilor Smart to REFER to Budget/Management Item #05 108 and was seconded by Councilor Hargadon and UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

05 109 – Firefighters Collective Bargaining Agreement Approval – Free Cash Appropriation

A MOTION was made by Councilor Smart to REFER to Budget/Management Item #05 109 and was seconded by Councilor Hargadon and UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

05 110 – Non-Union 3% Raises for FY06 – Free Cash and Retained Earnings Appropriation

A MOTION was made by Councilor Smart to REFER to Budget/Management Item #05 110 and was seconded by Councilor Hargadon and UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

05 111 – Telecommunications Collective Bargaining Agreement Agreement – Free Cash Appropriation

A MOTION was made by Councilor Smart to REFER to Budget/Management Item #05 111 and was seconded by Councilor Hargadon and UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

A MOTION was made by Councilor Smart to approve the REFERAL of Items #05 112 through #05 121 to Budget/Management as a group and was seconded by Councilor Mathews and UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

05 112 – Free Cash Appropriation – FY05 Snow Removal Deficit

A MOTION was made by Councilor Smart to REFER to Budget/Management Item #05 112 and was seconded by Councilor Hargadon and UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

05 113 – Free Cash Appropriation – Payroll for 53rd payroll

A MOTION was made by Councilor Smart to REFER to Budget/Management Item #05 113 and was seconded by Councilor Hargadon and UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

05 114 – Free Cash Appropriation – Collector's Mailbox

A MOTION was made by Councilor Smart to REFER to Budget/Management Item #05 114 and was seconded by Councilor Hargadon and UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

05 115 – Free Cash – Street Acceptance

A MOTION was made by Councilor Smart to REFER to Budget/Management Item #05 115 and was seconded by Councilor Hargadon and UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

05 116 – Waterways Fund Appropriation – Filtration System

A MOTION was made by Councilor Smart to REFER to Budget/Management Item #05 116 and was seconded by Councilor Hargadon and UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

05 117 – Free Cash Appropriation – Abigail Adams Remediation Plan

A MOTION was made by Councilor Smart to REFER to Budget/Management Item #05 117 and was seconded by Councilor Hargadon and UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

05 118 – Free Cash Appropriation – Warranty on Ladder #1

A MOTION was made by Councilor Smart to REFER to Budget/Management Item #05 118 and was seconded by Councilor Hargadon and UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

05 119 – Free Cash Appropriation – Repair Police Station HVAC

A MOTION was made by Councilor Smart to REFER to Budget/Management Item #05 119 and was seconded by Councilor Hargadon and UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

05 120 – Free Cash Appropriation – Unpaid Bills

A MOTION was made by Councilor Smart to REFER to Budget/Management Item #05 120 and was seconded by Councilor Hargadon and UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

05 121 – Reserve Fund Transfer – Military Service Fund/Retirement Board

A MOTION was made to REFER to Budget/Management Item #05 121 and was seconded by Councilor Hargadon and UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

05 122 – Refinancing of Bonds

A MOTION was made by Councilor Smart to REFER to Budget/Management Item #05 122 and was seconded by Councilor Hargadon and UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

This order must be published at least 10 days prior to final passage. Notice of the Public Hearing must be published not less than 7 days nor more than 14 days prior to such Public Hearing. This vote requires at least a 2/3 vote.

05 123 – Order to Expend and Receive Funds in Certain Revolving Accounts for School Department

A MOTION was made by Councilor Smart to REFER to Budget/Management Item #05 123 and was seconded by Councilor Hargadon and UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

A MOTION was made by Councilor Smart to approve the REFERRAL of Items #05 124 through #05 128 to Budget/Management as a group and was seconded by Councilor Hargadon and UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

05 124 – Appropriation from Water Retained Earnings – Capital Items

A MOTION was made by Councilor Smart to REFER to Budget/Management Item #05 124 and was seconded by Councilor Hargadon and UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

05 125 – Retained Earnings Expenditure Water & Sewer Telephone System

A MOTION was made by Councilor Smart to REFER to Budget/Management Item #05 125 and was seconded by Councilor Hargadon and UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

05 126 – Re-appropriation from Water Capital Funds – Capital Items

A MOTION was made by Councilor Smart to REFER to Budget/Management Item #05 126 and was seconded by Councilor Hargadon and UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

05 127 – Appropriation from Sewer Retained Earnings – Capital Items

A MOTION was made by Councilor Smart to REFER to Budget/Management Item #05 127 and was seconded by Councilor Hargadon and UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

05 128 – Operating Measure – Sewer Enterprise Appropriation Order Mitigation Account – Capital Projects

A MOTION was made by Councilor Smart to REFER to Budget/Management Item #05 128 and was seconded by Councilor Hargadon and UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

05 129 – Appointment to the Board of Assessors – Jill Reddish

A MOTION was made by Councilor Smart to REFER to Budget/Management Item #05 129 and was seconded by Councilor Hargadon and UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

Councilor Kay asked for the reason of the appointment. Ms. Hackett stated that it is a vacancy created by a non-reappointment.

05 130 – Appointment to the Board of Elder Services – Jeanette Rose

A MOTION was made by Councilor Smart to REFER to Budget/Management Item #05 130 and was seconded by Councilor Mathews and UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

Councilor Kay asked for the reason of the appointment. Ms. Hackett stated that it is a vacancy created by a resignation.

05 131 – Appointment to the Board of Health – Clare LaMorte

A MOTION was made by Councilor Smart to REFER to Budget/Management Item #05 131 and was seconded by Councilor Mathews and UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

Councilor Kay asked for the reason of the appointment. Ms. Hackett stated that it is a vacancy created by a non-reappointment.

05 132 – Appointment to the Board of Health – Bill Rennie

A MOTION was made by Councilor Smart to REFER to Budget/Management Item #05 132 and was seconded by Councilor Mathews and UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

Councilor Kay asked for the reason of the appointment. Ms. Hackett stated that it is a vacancy created by a non-reappointment.

05 133 – Appointment to the Scholarship Committee – Carol Karlberg

A MOTION was made by Councilor Smart to REFER to Budget/Management Item #05 133 and was seconded by Councilor Mathews and UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

Councilor Kay asked for the reason of the appointment. Ms. Hackett stated that it is a vacancy created by a resignation.

05 134 – Appointment to the Scholarship Committee – Ginny Snell

A MOTION was made by Councilor Smart to REFER to Budget/Management Item #05 134 and was seconded by Councilor Mathews and UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

05 135 – Appointment to the Veteran’s Council – Paul Shinney

A MOTION was made by Councilor Smart to REFER to Budget/Management Item #05 135 and was seconded by Councilor Mathews and UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

Councilor Kay asked for the reason of the appointment. Ms. Hackett stated that it is a vacancy created by an established vacancy.

Councilor Lacey stated that according to 6-7 of the Town’s Charter, regarding supplemental budgets or other appropriations where it speaks to whenever the Mayor shall submit to Town Council a request for a new appropriation of any sum of money, either as a supplement to the sum item in the Annual Operating Budget or for an item or items not included in the Annual Operating Budget as adopted. Town Council shall not act upon such request until it has given notice by publication in a local newspaper of the request and held a public hearing concerning such request. The publication of the notice of public hearing shall generally be in conformity with the provisions of 6-6 concerning the proposed Annual Operating Budget.

Councilor Lacey stated his interpretation is the Council will follow this same process with the measures just referred.

ADJOURNMENT

At 9:00pm there being no further business, Councilor Leary MOTIONED to adjourn and Councilor Mathews seconded and was UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

Approved by: _____
T.J. Lacey, President