

TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES
May 18, 2020, Monday
Via Zoom # 835 9200 1904

Present: Arthur Mathews, President
Michael Molisse, Vice President
Pascale Burga, Councilor
Kenneth DiFazio, Councilor
Jane Hackett, Councilor
Fred Happel, Councilor
Ed Harrington, Councilor
Rebecca Haugh, Councilor
Christopher Heffernan
Maureen Kiely, Councilor

Also Present: Joseph Callanan, Town Solicitor
Kathleen Deree, Town Clerk
Richard Swanson, Town Auditor
Robert Luongo, Director of Planning
Eric Schneider, Principal Planner
Mary Mulrone, NGRID
Joe Cardinal, NGRID

Recording Secretary: Mary Barker

President Mathews called the meeting to order at 7:33 PM. After the Pledge of Allegiance, Town Clerk Kathleen Deree called the roll:

A roll call vote was taken: Councilor Burga- Yes, Councilor DiFazio-Yes, Councilor Hackett- Yes, Councilor Happel-Yes, Councilor Harrington-Yes, Councilor Haugh-Yes, Councilor Heffernan-Yes, Councilor Kiely-Yes, Council Vice President Molisse-Yes, Council President Mathews-Yes.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilor Heffernan recognized the WHS Class of 2020 holding graduation on June 6, 2020.

MINUTES

Minutes of the Rules Committee Meeting, April 8, 2020

A motion was made by Vice President Molisse to approve the minutes from the April 8, 2020 Rules Committee meeting and was seconded by Councilor Hackett.

A roll call vote was taken: Councilor Burga- Yes, Councilor DiFazio-Yes, Councilor

Hackett- Yes, Councilor Happel-Yes, Councilor Harrington-Yes, Councilor Haugh-Yes, Councilor Heffernan-Yes, Councilor Kiely-Yes, Council Vice President Molisse-Yes, Council President Mathews-Yes. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

Minutes of the Budget/Management Committee Meeting, April 13, 2020

A motion was made by Vice President Molisse to approve the minutes from the April 13, 2020 Budget/Management Committee meeting and was seconded by Councilor Hackett.

A roll call vote was taken: Councilor Burga- Yes, Councilor DiFazio-Yes, Councilor Hackett- Yes, Councilor Happel-Yes, Councilor Harrington-Yes, Councilor Haugh-Yes, Councilor Heffernan-Yes, Councilor Kiely-Yes, Council Vice President Molisse-Yes, Council President Mathews-Yes. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

Minutes of the Special Town Council Meeting of April 13, 2020

A motion was made by Vice President Molisse to approve the minutes from the April 13, 2020 Special Town Council meeting and was seconded by Councilor Hackett.

A roll call vote was taken: Councilor Burga- Yes, Councilor DiFazio-Yes, Councilor Hackett- Yes, Councilor Happel-Yes, Councilor Harrington-Yes, Councilor Haugh-Yes, Councilor Heffernan-Yes, Councilor Kiely-Yes, Council Vice President Molisse-Yes, Council President Mathews-Yes. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

Minutes of the Ordinance Committee Meeting, April 22, 2020

A motion was made by Vice President Molisse to approve the minutes from the April 22, 2020 Ordinance Committee meeting and was seconded by Councilor Hackett.

A roll call vote was taken: Councilor Burga- Yes, Councilor DiFazio-Yes, Councilor Hackett- Yes, Councilor Happel-Yes, Councilor Harrington-Yes, Councilor Haugh-Yes, Councilor Heffernan-Yes, Councilor Kiely-Yes, Council Vice President Molisse-Yes, Council President Mathews-Yes. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

Minutes of the District Six Councilor Search Committee Meeting of April 23, 2020

A motion was made by Vice President Molisse to approve the minutes from the April 23, 2020 District Six Councilor Search Committee meeting and was seconded by Councilor Hackett.

A roll call vote was taken: Councilor Burga- Yes, Councilor DiFazio-Yes, Councilor Hackett- Yes, Councilor Happel-Yes, Councilor Harrington-Yes, Councilor Haugh-Yes, Councilor Heffernan-Yes, Councilor Kiely-Yes, Council Vice President Molisse-Yes, Council President Mathews-Yes. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

Minutes of the Town Council Meeting of April 27, 2020

A motion was made by Vice President Molisse to approve the minutes from the April 27, 2020 Town Council meeting and was seconded by Councilor Hackett.

A roll call vote was taken: Councilor Burga- Yes, Councilor DiFazio-Yes, Councilor

Hackett- Yes, Councilor Happel-Yes, Councilor Harrington-Yes, Councilor Haugh-Yes, Councilor Heffernan-Yes, Councilor Kiely-Yes, Council Vice President Molisse-Yes, Council President Mathews-Yes. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

RESIDENT AND COMMUNITY COMMENT

Update on Electronic Billboards-Robert Delaney of 27 Belmont Street

Mr. Delaney was not present and his address was tabled.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

20 075-National Grid-Gas Main Installation-Pearl Street

A motion was made by Vice President Molisse to open the public hearing on 20 075 and was seconded by Councilor Hackett. 79 abutters were notified on May 4, 2020.

A roll call vote was taken: Councilor Burga- Yes, Councilor DiFazio-Yes, Councilor Hackett- Yes, Councilor Happel-Yes, Councilor Harrington-Yes, Councilor Haugh-Yes, Councilor Heffernan-Yes, Councilor Kiely-Yes, Council Vice President Molisse-Yes, Council President Mathews-Yes. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

Joe Cardinal from NGRID presented the petition with Mary Mulroney. Multiple conversations were held with the DPW director, the engineer and the project manager. 4200 feet of pipe are proposed and increase from 8-12 inch main. They plan to start work by June 1st and complete this season. Restoration will be done as agreed with DPW. The temporary trench will be restored as the project is done. After completed, the full restoration price would be negotiated. President Mathews reported there were no comments from DPW. Ms. Mulroney noted construction will plan to start as soon as possible and finish by October 31st. President Mathews asked if residents would be able to get in and out of their driveways during the construction? Ms. Mulroney responded affirmatively.

Councilor DiFazio asked if once construction was completed, would the proponent be prepared to repave the entire 4200 feet? Mr. Cardinal responded that is the agreement with the DPW. Because of the size of the project a contractor will do the trench work, allow for it to settle over the winter, then the town will come up with price to pave. NGRID will provide payment for the town to hire a paving contractor.

Council President Mathews asked if there were any comments from the public, to which there were the following responses:

David Cedrone- news reporter with WATD- Why does this need to be replaced and is the 4200' and 8 to12 inch pipe increase considered normal updating? Ms. Mulroney responded that it is a part of the replacement project program to provide new mains to cities and towns. The size allows the underground capacity for residents or businesses that wish to tie in later. Mr. Cedrone asked what is the price tag and who pays for it?

Ms. Mulroney responded that NGRID pays the cost, but she is unsure of the price. Mr. Cedrone asked what is the timeframe start to finish? President Mathews responded that if the measure passes the Town Council, it then goes to the DPW's Engineering Department to sign off before any work may begin.

Adria Dupras 27 Curtis Street- asked if one currently does not have gas service on Neck Street, can one get it; a stub, but not to the residence? Ms. Mulroney responded that NGRID does not leave stubs on properties. One would have to apply and have it connected.

A motion was made by Vice President Molisse to close the public hearing on 20 075 and was seconded by Councilor Hackett.

A roll call vote was taken: Councilor Burga- Yes, Councilor DiFazio-Yes, Councilor Hackett- Yes, Councilor Happel-Yes, Councilor Harrington-Yes, Councilor Haugh-Yes, Councilor Heffernan-Yes, Councilor Kiely-Yes, Council Vice President Molisse-Yes, Council President Mathews-Yes. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

A motion was made by Vice President Molisse to approve 20 075; that The Town of Weymouth consent to the locations of mains as hereinafter described for the transmission and distribution of gas in and under the public streets, lanes, highways and places of the Town of Weymouth and of the pipes, valves, governors, manholes and other structures, fixtures and appurtenances designed or intended to protect or operate said mains and/or accomplish the objects of said Company, and the digging up and opening the ground to lay of place same:

Install and maintain approximately 4200 feet more or less of 12-inch gas main in Pearl Street, Weymouth from 15 Norton Street to 291 North Street to 7 Neck Street to 153 Neck Street to 27 Green Street to 14 Green Street, all of which to replace and abandon the existing gas mains as part of a replacement project.

The motion was seconded by Councilor Hackett.

A roll call vote was taken: Councilor Burga- Yes, Councilor DiFazio-Yes, Councilor Hackett- Yes, Councilor Happel-Yes, Councilor Harrington-Yes, Councilor Haugh-Yes, Councilor Heffernan-Yes, Councilor Kiely-Yes, Council Vice President Molisse-Yes, Council President Mathews-Yes. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

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

20 076-Reappointment to the Cemetery Commission- Liz Cicchese

On behalf of Mayor Hedlund, Solicitor Callanan requested that the town of Weymouth reappoint Liz Cicchese of 1015 Front Street to the Cemetery Commission for a 3-year term to expire on June 30, 2023.

20 077-Reappointment to the Conservation Commission-Scott Dowd

On behalf of Mayor Hedlund, Solicitor Callanan requested that the town of Weymouth reappoint Scott Dowd of 133 Pierce Road to the Conservation Commission for a 3-year term to expire on June 30, 2023.

20 078-Reappointment to the Commission on Disabilities-Henry Goldman

On behalf of Mayor Hedlund, Solicitor Callanan requested that the town of Weymouth reappoint Henry Goldman of 33 Old Country Way to the Commission on Disabilities for a 3-year term to expire on June 30, 2023.

20 079-Reappointment to the Commission on Disabilities-Richard Johnson

On behalf of Mayor Hedlund, Solicitor Callanan requested that the town of Weymouth reappoint Richard Johnson of 11 Sanderson Avenue to the Commission on Disabilities for a 3-year term to expire on June 30, 2023.

20 080-Reappointment to the Recreation Commission-Barbara Nieters-Kearney

On behalf of Mayor Hedlund, Solicitor Callanan requested that the town of Weymouth reappoint Barbara Nieters-Kearney of 105 North Street to the Recreation Commission for a 3-year term to expire on June 30, 2023.

20 081-Reappointment to the Zoning Board of Appeals-Paul Koch (Associate Member)

On behalf of Mayor Hedlund, Solicitor Callanan requested that the town of Weymouth reappoint Paul Koch of 64 Browning Street to the Zoning Board of Appeals as an Associate Member for a 2-year term to expire on June 30, 2022.

20 082-Reappointment to the Zoning Board of Appeals-Jonathan Moriarty

On behalf of Mayor Hedlund, Solicitor Callanan requested that the town of Weymouth reappoint Jonathan Moriarty of 38 Hilldale Road to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a 2-year term to expire on June 30, 2022.

20 083-Reappointment to the Historical Commission-Michael Murphy

On behalf of Mayor Hedlund, Solicitor Callanan requested that the town of Weymouth reappoint Michael Murphy of 425 Front Street to the Historical Commission for a 3-year term to expire on June 30, 2023.

20 084-Reappointment to the Board of Registrars-Janelle Quinn

On behalf of Mayor Hedlund, Solicitor Callanan requested that the town of Weymouth reappoint Janelle Quinn of 29 Tamarack Trail to the Board of Registrars for a 3-year term to expire on June 30, 2023.

20 085-Reappointment to the Conservation Commission-John Reilly

On behalf of Mayor Hedlund, Solicitor Callanan requested that the town of Weymouth reappoint John Reilly of 25 Cassandra Road to the Conservation Commission for a 3-year term to expire on June 30, 2023.

20 086-Reappointment to the Scholarship Fund Committee-Donna Shea

On behalf of Mayor Hedlund, Solicitor Callanan requested that the town of Weymouth reappoint Donna Shea of 37 Heritage Lane to the Scholarship Fund Committee for a 3-year term to expire on June 30, 2023.

20 087-Reappointment to the Scholarship Fund Committee-Virginia Snell

On behalf of Mayor Hedlund, Solicitor Callanan requested that the town of Weymouth reappoint Virginia Snell of 6 Okala Road to the Scholarship Fund Committee for a term to expire on June 30, 2020.

A motion was made by Vice President Molisse to adopt the reappointment list on measures 20 076 through 20 087 and was seconded by Councilor Hackett.

A roll call vote was taken: Councilor Burga- Yes, Councilor DiFazio-Yes, Councilor Hackett- Yes, Councilor Happel-Yes, Councilor Harrington-Yes, Councilor Haugh-Yes, Councilor Heffernan-Yes, Councilor Kiely-Yes, Council Vice President Molisse-Yes, Council President Mathews-Yes. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Budget/Management Committee- Chair Michael Molisse

20 037- FY 2019 Audited Financial Statements & Management Letter

This measure was referred to the committee on April 13, 2020. The Budget/Management Committee reviewed the report at its meeting of May 18, 2020. Auditor Richard Swanson and Erica Lussier of the audit firm Melanson Heath & Co. presented the results of the findings and recommendations to the Budget/Management Committee on May 18, 2020.

Auditor Swanson provided the following summary:

Highlights on the Fiscal Year 2019 Audited Financial Statements/Management Letter

- A. Our auditors issued a “clean audit opinion” on the Financial Statements, which is excellent, as it means no material discrepancies were found during the audit of the books and records of the town for FY2019.
- B. At the end of the year, total current assets were \$97,710,992 and current liabilities were \$46,280,983; therefore, assets exceeded liabilities by \$51,430,009. This results in a current ratio of \$2.11 in current assets to cover each \$1.00 in current liabilities.
- C. Cash and investments as of June 30, 2019 totaled \$77,522,449 compared to \$77,058,059 in fiscal 2018, resulting in a nominal increase of \$464,390.
- D. Total bonds payable debt at yearend was \$65,592,815 compared to \$65,968,323 at the end of fiscal 2018. This reflects a nominal decrease of \$375,508 from fiscal 2018. This decrease is a net of pay down and refinancing of the debt and the issuance of new bond debt.

- E. The Water & Sewer Enterprise funds operating revenue for fiscal 2019 was \$26,540,847 and operating expenses were \$24,352,439, resulting in a net operating income of \$2,188,408. A significant portion of the operating income was used to pay interest expense of \$825,495.
- F. Total investment in capital assets at year end was \$235,860,000 compared to FY18 of \$222,015,000 (net of depreciation), an increase of \$13,845,000 compared to the prior year. The major additions to capital assets were:
 - a. \$2,502,926 Improvements to Roadways & Sidewalks
 - b. \$4,840,337 Public Library Construction
 - c. \$1,443,885 School Boiler Replacements
 - d. \$1,439,131 Smelt Brook Repair
- G. Total fiscal year 2019 revenue for the General Fund was \$161,692,698, which exceeded the budget by \$3,771,896. The principal drivers of higher revenue were:
 - a. \$688,912 Licenses & permits
 - b. \$1,360,440 Excise taxes
 - c. \$659,388 Intergovernmental
 Total expenditures for fiscal year 2019 were \$165,070,430, which were \$1,977,867 under budget. The principal drivers of lower expenditures were:
 - a. \$694,698 public safety
 - b. \$654,632 general government
 - c. \$277,681 employee benefits
- H. Contained within the Melanson Heath 2019 Management Letter are two prior year recommendations that were resolved by Auditor Swanson and Municipal Finance. For FY19 there were no issues reported by our independent auditors. There only is one informational recommendation regarding Accounting Changes.

Erica Lussier echoed the findings and suggested the councilors read the management letter highlights provided by Melanson Heath. It doesn't just look at the numbers but reviews the policies and controls. The two prior year comments were resolved and the informational one is to prepare for GASB-84 and GASB-87. 84 will give more directions (reclassified or categorized differently) and 87 deals with ongoing leases, including current ones, for items such as copiers. Going forward, they will need to be captured. Compliance dates have been moved as a result of COVID-19 (a one-year delay on implementation). Single audit encompasses Title 1 and School Lunch Program, and they are being wrapped up now (also required extension due to COVID-19).

On behalf of the Budget/Management Committee, a motion was made by Vice President Molisse that the Town Council adopt the report of the FY 2019 Audited Financial Statements & Management Letter. The motion was seconded by Councilor Hackett.

A roll call vote was taken: Councilor Burga- Yes, Councilor DiFazio-Yes, Councilor Hackett- Yes, Councilor Happel-Yes, Councilor Harrington-Yes, Councilor Haugh-Yes, Councilor Heffernan-Yes, Councilor Kiely-Yes, Council Vice President Molisse-Yes, Council President Mathews-Yes. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

20 021-CPA Funding Request for acquisition of Land for Affordable Housing

This measure was referred to the Budget/Management Committee on February 18, 2020. A public hearing was conducted on May 4, 2020. The committee deliberated on May 18, 2020.

On behalf of the Budget/Management Committee a motion was made by Vice President Molisse to approve measure 20 021; that the Town of Weymouth appropriate the sum of \$200,000 for the acquisition of 13 acres of land for affordable housing as described in the request put forward by the Town Solicitor, from the Fund Balance Reserve for Community Housing Account. The motion was seconded by Councilor Hackett.

A roll call vote was taken: Councilor Burga- Yes, Councilor DiFazio-Yes, Councilor Hackett- Yes, Councilor Happel-Yes, Councilor Harrington-Yes, Councilor Haugh-Yes, Councilor Heffernan-Yes, Councilor Kiely-Yes, Council Vice President Molisse-Yes, Council President Mathews-Yes. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

20 023-Purchase, Foreclosure and Acceptance of 13 Acres of Land, 420 Washington Street

This measure was referred to the Budget/Management Committee on February 18, 2020. The committee deliberated on May 18, 2020. A public hearing was conducted on May 4, 2020.

On behalf of the Budget/Management Committee a motion was made by Vice President Molisse to approve measure 20 023; that the Town of Weymouth, through Town Council with the approval of the Mayor, hereby consents and authorizes the Mayor to (i) accept assignment of an existing mortgage on 12 acres of vacant land behind 420 Washington Street, parcels 25-328-4, -10, -11 and -12 from Van Gogh Corporation, a Delaware corporation; (ii) then, foreclose on the newly assigned mortgage; and (iii) then, accept the 13 acres of property for affordable housing purposes.

Further, the Mayor or his designee, is authorized to execute any documents necessary to complete these transactions upon such terms as the Mayor considers proper.

The motion was seconded by Councilor Hackett. President Mathews expressed his concern, particularly with the clean- up of the land. He reported the administration must keep the Council informed. He reminded the Council and administration that when they turned over authority for the billboard zoning, they didn't hear further until an agreement was signed. If this moves forward, they need to be informed as it proceeds.

A roll call vote was taken: Councilor Burga- Yes, Councilor DiFazio-Yes, Councilor Hackett- Yes, Councilor Happel-Yes, Councilor Harrington-Yes, Councilor Haugh-Yes, Councilor Heffernan-Yes, Councilor Kiely-Yes, Council Vice President Molisse-Yes, Council President Mathews-Yes. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

20 024-Taking and Restricting for Affordable Housing Purposes, 13 Acres of Land, 420 Washington Street

This measure was referred to the Budget/Management Committee on February 18, 2020. The committee deliberated on May 18, 2020. A public hearing was conducted on May 4, 2020.

On behalf of the Budget/Management Committee a motion was made by Vice President Molisse to approve measure 20 024; that the Town of Weymouth, through Town Council with the approval of the Mayor, hereby consents and authorizes the Mayor to (i) take by eminent domain 13 acres of vacant land behind 420 Washington Street, parcels 25-328-4, -10, -11 and -12, for affordable housing purposes and; (ii) then, grant an affordable housing restriction on said parcels of land that meets the requirements of G.L. c.44B, § 12 and c.184, § 31-33.

Further, that the Mayor, or his designee, is authorized to execute any documents necessary to complete these transactions upon such terms as the Mayor considers proper.

The motion was seconded by Councilor Hackett. President Mathews reported that, in terms of development, there has to be community involvement. He would prefer to see senior units, but it has to have input regarding the type and selection. Councilor Harrington asked if the town purchases this with Community Preservation funding- are there future restrictions if it isn't low income?

Solicitor Callanan responded yes; if it's acquiring for afford housing it would have to remain for that purpose. Councilor Harrington asked if the cleanup is determined to be cost prohibitive, will it still hold for that? Solicitor Callanan responded yes.

Vice President Molisse asked the solicitor to advise what the procedure is for public involvement. Solicitor Callanan responded there are two ways it would come back to the Council; for the zoning change (currently zoned B and POP) and the plan is to dispose of the land with an RFP approved by Council. This is the start of a very long process. President Mathews responded that even if there is no Council involvement right away, he still expects the Council to be updated regularly.

A roll call vote was taken: Councilor Burga- Yes, Councilor DiFazio-Yes, Councilor Hackett- Yes, Councilor Happel-Yes, Councilor Harrington-Yes, Councilor Haugh-Yes, Councilor Heffernan-Yes, Councilor Kiely-Yes, Council Vice President Molisse-Yes, Council President Mathews-Yes. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

District 6 Councilor Search Committee- Chair Michael Molisse-

Council President Mathews outlined the process to the public. Applications were accepted until March 16, 2020, followed by a Search committee formed. Councilor Molisse reported that the committee met via Zoom on April 23, 2020, and on May 6 and May 13, 2020 in executive session. The committee interviewed eleven candidates for the

District 6 vacancy. He thanked the committee for their work and dedication. Two candidates were selected to move forward.

A Motion was made by Vice President Molisse to accept the report of the District Six Search Committee and was seconded by Councilor Hackett.

A roll call vote was taken: Councilor Burga- Yes, Councilor DiFazio-Yes, Councilor Hackett- Yes, Councilor Happel-Yes, Councilor Harrington-Yes, Councilor Haugh-Yes, Councilor Heffernan-Yes, Councilor Kiely-Yes, Council Vice President Molisse-Yes, Council President Mathews-Yes. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

Recommendations of Committee

President Mathews reported that, similar to the District 2 search last year, the committee selected two finalists for consideration by the full Town Council.

A motion was made by Council Vice President Molisse to accept the procedure for selecting a candidate and was seconded by Councilor Hackett.

A roll call vote was taken: Councilor Burga- Yes, Councilor DiFazio-Yes, Councilor Hackett- Yes, Councilor Happel-Yes, Councilor Harrington-Yes, Councilor Haugh-Yes, Councilor Heffernan-Yes, Councilor Kiely-Yes, Council Vice President Molisse-Yes, Council President Mathews-Yes. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

Interview of Finalists

1. John Abbott provided his background, experience and service in the District and expressed his interest in the position.
2. Brian Dwyer provided his background, experience and service in the District and expressed his interest in the position.

A motion was made by Vice President Molisse to close the comment /question period of the process and was seconded by Councilor DiFazio.

A roll call vote was taken: Councilor Burga- Yes, Councilor DiFazio-Yes, Councilor Hackett- Yes, Councilor Happel-Yes, Councilor Harrington-Yes, Councilor Haugh-Yes, Councilor Heffernan-Yes, Councilor Kiely-Yes, Council Vice President Molisse-Yes, Council President Mathews-Yes. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

A motion was made by Vice President Molisse to open the nominations for District 6 Councilor and was seconded by Councilor Hackett.

A roll call vote was taken: Councilor Burga- Yes, Councilor DiFazio-Yes, Councilor Hackett- Yes, Councilor Happel-Yes, Councilor Harrington-Yes, Councilor Haugh-Yes, Councilor Heffernan-Yes, Councilor Kiely-Yes, Council Vice President Molisse-Yes, Council President Mathews-Yes. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

Appointment of the Finalist

A motion was made by Councilor Kiely to nominate Brian Dwyer for the District 6 seat and was seconded by Vice President Molisse. She noted that it was a difficult process to narrow the field. They looked at both resumes and listened to the candidates. Both have made significant contributions to the community; however, Mr. Dwyer has a slight edge with time in a public role.

Councilor Heffernan commended both finalists. It was a long process. Twelve great candidates who expressed interest. He was impressed with John Abbott and hopes he and the others continue public involvement.

Vice President Molisse agreed it was a very tough decision. These are two fantastic candidates. He looks forward to working with Mr. Dwyer.

President Mathews thanked both candidates for submitting their names for consideration. In his opinion, four finalists shined. Brian Dwyer articulated all of the issues well.

A roll call vote was taken: Councilor Burga- Yes, Councilor DiFazio-Yes, Councilor Hackett- Yes, Councilor Happel-Yes, Councilor Harrington-Yes, Councilor Haugh-Yes, Councilor Heffernan-Yes, Councilor Kiely-Yes, Council Vice President Molisse-Yes, Council President Mathews-Yes. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

President Mathews congratulated Mr. Dwyer and noted that the town clerk will contact Mr. Dwyer and get him sworn in. He thanked all of the applicants and Councilor Molisse as the chair for his work.

ADJOURNMENT

The Annual Town Meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 26, 2020, Via Zoom. The next regular meeting of the Town Council Meeting has been scheduled for Monday, June 2, 2020.

At 9:00 PM; there being no further business, a motion was made by Vice President Molisse to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Councilor. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

ATTACHMENTS:

Respectfully Submitted by Mary Barker as Recording Secretary

Approved by Arthur Mathews as President of the Town Council
Approved unanimously on 7 July 2020