TOWN COUNCIL MEETING December 20, 2010

The Town Council meeting was held in the Moose Hill Council Chambers, Town Hall, 268B Mammoth Road, Londonderry.

PRESENT: Town Council: Chairman Paul DiMarco: Councilors: Mike Brown, John Farrell, Tom Dolan; Town Manager Dave Caron; Assistant Town Manager - Finance Director, Sue Hickey; Executive Assistant, Margo Lapietro. Absent: Vice Chairperson Sean O'Keefe

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman DiMarco opened the meeting at 7:00 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance. This was followed by a moment of silence for the men and women fighting for our country.

NEW BUSINESS

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

Presentation by Lee Maloney, Executive Director of CART- Lee Maloney explained that CART is a public transportation system that is a recipient of Section 5307 urbanized federal formula funding that is available to the general public providing transportation to: seniors, disabled, individuals regardless of mobility or age above 16 years, and families with children. She proceeded to explain the benefits, the current service area, the zoned based service areas and the out of region destinations. L. Maloney explained the funding sources which are: Donations & Interest, \$625.000; Federal Aid, \$299,064; State Aid, \$2,675; Municipal Funding, \$166,465; and Farebox, \$34,745. She proceeded to break down the funding per town and said that Londonderry's' FY11 subsidy was \$27,515. She explained the trips provided for Londonderry and the purpose of the trips to include employment, medical, personal, shopping, social, trips home, and educational. She also provided statistics for the average miles per trip by community and compared Londonderry trips to the state wide system. She stated the senior population has gone up 25% in Londonderry. Because of this they are working on a pilot program dubbed the "Sun Shuttle" with the Londonderry Seniors to provide no cost transportation along Rte. 102 for shopping and along with Rockingham Nutrition to provide access to nutrition sites. Farrell questioned what constituted a trip, L. Maloney responded it is one way. Councilor Dolan asked what is the percentage of trips from Londonderry she said 20%. Councilor Brown thanked her for the presentation and asked if any communities have dropped out of the program. L. Maloney said that Plaistow and Sandown dropped out but Sandown has elected to continue with the program after dropping out of it. Councilor Brown asked if they track medical destinations particularly the medical facilities in Londonderry, she said yes will provide that information. Councilor Brown asked the Town Manager where this item was located in the budget book; he responded it is under General Government and is in the FY12 budget. Councilor Dolan questioned this item being brought up at a Town Meeting for a 3 year commitment. Town Manager Caron responded that the 3 year commitment ends in FY11. Bob Ramsay, 26 Elwood Road said he is one of the two representatives from Londonderry on the CART Board. He said that during the two ice/snow emergencies the town experienced, CART was helping out picking up people and bringing them to shelters. The Senior Center does not have a van anymore which makes them even more dependent of the services provided by CART. He said a lot of the seniors support and utilize the service. This program does a lot for the town and we should keep it. L. Maloney said she would like the opportunity to come back with the Rockingham Nutrition on the "Sun Shuttle" concept for Rte. 102.

Interview of Leitha Reilly Candidate for Planning Board – Councilor Farrell asked Leitha Reilly of 18 Lantern Lane about her background and she proceeded to explain her educational and business background in the banking/consulting industry. He asked her what her interest in the Planning Board is. She said it is an exciting time to be in Londonderry, she said the Planning Board has to balance change while keeping things the same. There are a number of exciting business opportunities in Londonderry. Councilor Dolan thanked her for stepping forward to volunteer and asked if she can handle the time limit involved, she responded yes. He asked her if she saw any conflict of interest in dealing with decisions about development, she responded no. Councilor Brown asked her why she came to Londonderry, she said this was one of the desired areas she was looking at, liked the town and has lived here for three years. Councilor Brown asked her what did she like about living in Londonderry she responded most of her time has been spent with school related activities and the town is beautiful. He asked how she personally will be able to balance what she likes about Londonderry with development that could impact those things. L. Reilly responded that she hopes the community comes to the Planning Board to get an idea and ask questions. She said she would listen to get viewpoints from all sides. Councilor Brown said it is good to see graduates from the Leadership Londonderry class come forward and volunteer. Chairman DiMarco said he knows her personally and thanked her for volunteering.

Interview of Pauline Caron Candidate for Heritage Commission - Pauline Caron, 369 Mammoth Rd. said she was an alternate in 2009 and did not seek re-appointment in 2010 due to health reasons. Councilor DiMarco asked her if there were any conflicts she said no. She explained she has been a resident in town for 46 years, and has seen a lot of changes which is why she would like to go back on the Heritage Commission. She said we have to have a balance and there are some things that should not be changed, there are some things that can be changed because they call it progress.

Councilor Dolan said Reeds Ferry Sheds has moved to Rte. 102 near Comcast. He read an excerpt from a newspaper about their moving into Londonderry. The newspaper acknowledged the business owners complimenting the Planning Board and town staff for their help in relocating into town. He welcomed them to town.

PUBLIC HEARING

None

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Ordinance #2010-06 – Relative to an Amendment to the Town Zoning Ordinance to Clarify the Number of Temporary Signs Permitted on a Lot and Clarify Requirements for the MUC Sub-District - Councilor Farrell made a motion to move to the second reading and public hearing on January 3, 2011, second Councilor Brown. Council's vote was 4-0-0.

Order #2010-20 – Relative to the Expenditure of Reclamation Trust Funds for Drop-Off Center Improvements – Councilor Farrell and made a motion to adopt, second Councilor Dolan. Councilor Dolan asked the Town Manager to explain the Order. Town Manager Caron said this fund is mostly for motor vehicle waste dealing with batteries and tires, as there is no charge to drop off these items at the center. There has been a surcharge on motor vehicle registration fees approved by the voters in 2003 to fund this. The entire project will cost about \$400K and has been vetted through the CIP process. Funds may also be used for the recycling of other wastes. Councilor Brown said this order is \$2,850 for tree clearing. The Public Works (PW) Director has given a presentation to the Solid Waste Advisory Committee and it is a substantial project. It will be a significant improvement to the facility which is long overdue. He suggested that the PW Director should come in and explain the project to Council in the future. Council's vote was 4-0-0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

<u>Minutes of Council's Public Meeting of 12/06/10.</u> Councilor Farrell made a motion to accept, second Councilor Dolan. Council's vote was 4-0-0.

OTHER BUSIENSS

<u>Liaison Reports</u> – Councilor Farrell attended a Planning Board meeting with Woodmont Orchards. They are working on a comprehensive Master Plan and will be back on 1/12/11. He said people are starting to show more interest in what is being discussed; he has asked them to come to the Planning Board meetings. The School Board is working on their budgets. Elderly Affairs has not met in a month. Chairman DiMarco and Councilor Dolan reported they had no meetings. Councilor Brown attended a SWAC meeting last week; they had the presentation from DPW on the improvements at the Drop-Off Center. They are looking at forming the antilitter committee; they also had a discussion for next years' Beautify Londonderry program.

<u>Town Manager Report</u> – Town Manager Caron said the first public meeting for the budget is scheduled for 1/3/11. The North/West Fire Station interior work is being completed and he anticipated staff will be moving into the facility by a month's time. Town Offices close early on 12/30/10 at noon and will be closed all day 12/31/10 so the public needs to be aware, particularly if they need to register their cars prior to 12/31/10. Councilor Brown asked who provided the digital sign on Mammoth Road announcing the 1/3/11 budget meeting. Town Manager Caron

responded Continental Paving provided it free as a community service, coordinated by Janusz Czyzowski. The Council thanked them for their generosity.

Board/Committee Appointments/Reappointments

- A. Resignation of Cole Melendy as an Alternate Member to the Planning Board.

 Councilor Farrell made a motion to accept, second Councilor Dolan. Council's vote was 4-0-0.
- B. Re-appoint of Robert McDonald to Londonderry Housing & Redevelopment Authority, term to expire 12/31/15.
 - Councilor Farrell made a motion to accept, second Councilor Dolan with discussion. Councilor Dolan said he did not realize they were five year appointments, Town Manager Caron confirmed that was correct. Council's vote was 4-0-0.
- C. Appointment of Leitha Reilly as an Alternate to the Planning Board, term to expire 12/31/11. Councilor Farrell pointed out that this is only a year appointment because it was filling a vacant term. Chairman DiMarco said he would abstain from voting because he knows the Reilly family personally. Councilor Brown made a motion to accept, second Councilor Dolan. Council's vote was 3-0-1, with Chairman DiMarco abstaining.
- D. Re-appointment of Deb Lievens and Deb Paul as Alternates to the Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission, terms to expire 12/31/11. Councilor Farrell made a motion to accept, second Councilor Dolan. Council's vote was 4-0-0.
- E. Appointment of Pauline Caron as an Alternate to the Heritage Commission, term to expire 12/31/12. Councilor Farrell made a motion to accept, second Councilor Dolan. Council's vote was 4-0-0.

Clark Reed asked Councilor Brown when the anti-littering committee was being formed through SWAC. Councilor Brown said it is being formed the early part of next year.

Councilor Farrell made a motion to adjourn at 8:54 PM, second, Councilor Brown. Council's vote was 4-0-0.

Notes and Tapes by: <u>Margo Lapietro</u> Date: <u>12/20/10</u>

Minutes Typed by: <u>Margo Lapietro</u> Date: <u>12/21/10</u>

Approved: <u>Town Council</u> Date: <u>01/03/11</u>