



*City of Taunton
Municipal Council Meeting Minutes*

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*In the Chester R. Martin Municipal Council Chambers
Minutes, October 13, 2009 at 7:15 O'clock P.M.*

Regular Meeting

Mayor Charles Crowley presiding

Prayer was offered by the Mayor

*Present at roll call were: Councilor's Barbour, Buffington, Carr, Croteau, Marshall,
Fiore, Pottier, Costa-Hanson, Hoye*

Record of preceding meeting was read by Title and Approved. So Voted.

Motion was made to revert out of the regular order of business to Fire Department appointments. So Voted.

Com. from the City Clerk for the promotion of One Temp. Fire Lieutenant, One Temp. Fire Captain, One Temp. Deputy Fire Chief. **On a roll call vote, nine (9) Councilors present, nine (9) Councilors voting in favor of appointing Patrick O'Brien as a Temporary Full-time Fire Lieutenant. On a roll call vote, nine (9) Councilors present, nine (9) Councilors voting in favor of appointing Todd Myers as a Temporary Full-time Fire Captain. On a roll call vote, nine (9) Councilors present, nine (9) Councilors voting in favor of appointing Edward Boiros as a Temporary Full-time Deputy Fire Chief.**

Motion was made to revert back the regular order of business to Hearings. So Voted.

Hearings:

Hearing came up by assignment upon the petition of Steve Broeder, General Manager, Smokey Bones Barbeque & Grill 1023 County Street, Taunton and Mary Anne Ferrell, President, Licensing Solutions, Inc. for a Special Permit/Site Plan Review to allow live entertainment in the restaurant several days a week, which includes a band, karaoke, live Disc Jockey and a magician located in the Industrial District. **Motion was made to open the hearing. So Voted.** Com. from Mary Anne Ferrell, President, Licensing Solutions was read submitting a request for a continuance until November 10, 2009. **Motion was made to continue the hearing until November 10, 2009. So Voted.**

Communications from Mayor:

At this time, the Mayor read a proclamation proclaiming October 17-18, 2009 as Liberty and Union weekend in the City of Taunton. **Motion was made to move adoption. So Voted.**

Donald French, who is raising money on behalf of the Veterans Marker Program spoke. He stated funds are being raised privately, and the program is moving along in an effort to mark all the veterans graves in the City of Taunton and anyone wishing to make a donation can do so.

Appointments:

At this time, the poll workers were appointed for the upcoming election season. **Motion was made to move approval. So Voted.**

Communications:

Com. from Taunton Parking Commission requesting that they be formally notified of all future matters regarding any parking in downtown that come before the Municipal Council. **Motion was made to receive and place on file. So Voted.**

Com. from Joan Lima, Treasurer, Taunton Educational Secretaries and Assistants Association requesting permission for the Treasurer to deduct union dues on Thursday, December 10 instead of the pay period of December 3, 2009 due to a short pay week. **Motion was made to move approval and notify the Treasurer/Collector. Councilor Buffington voting present. So Voted.**

Com. from Acting Police Chief requesting transfer of funds in the amount of \$1,160.08 to pay FY09 bills. **Motion was made to refer to the Committee on Finance and Salaries and the Mayor's Office. So Voted.**

Com. from Commissioner, Parks, Cemeteries & Public Grounds notifying of a Halloween Costume Parade for all Taunton Children at Hopewell Park on Sunday, October 25, 2009 from 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM. **Motion was made to receive and place on file and notify the the Police Department for the electronic sign. So Voted.**

Com. from Acting Police Chief suggesting that the thirty (30) doors at the Taunton High/Parker Middle School complex be numbered and the nine (9) parking lots be lettered to improve public safety. **Motion was made to refer to the School Building Committee for further action. So Voted.**

Com. from MassDevelopment notifying of a project and the MA Development Finance Agency gave preliminary approval to issue a revenue bond on behalf of Cooperative Productions, Inc. **Motion was made to receive and place on file. So Voted.**

Com. from Homes for Our Troops requesting use of the electronic signboard to advertise their 1st Annual Homes for Our Troops Road Race on November 8, 2009 at 11:00 AM. **Motion was made to move approval. So Voted.**

Com. from Building Commissioner submitting the Building Permit Record for the month of August. **Motion was made to refer to the Mayor's Office. So Voted.**

Com. from Pastor Donn M. Fisher, Agape Chapel Raynham providing information on the Refuge. **Motion was made to receive and place on file. So Voted. FYI – The Mayor stated the Refuge is no longer located on Cohannet Street as they have moved to 8**

Winthrop St. The Mayor stated they had a meeting with numerous department heads concerning their proper permits.

Com. from Building Commissioner submitting information on 30 Olney St. stating that an inspection was completed on the HVAC system at the property and ventilation is in accordance with Massachusetts State Building Codes. **Councilor Costa-Hanlon requested that the Building Commissioner report back to her. He does not have to report back to the full Council. She stated she would like more information on his inspection, specific of the inspection, who completed the inspection? How long the HVAC was running, what units were inspected? Her initial complaint was the heat on the upper floors. So Voted.**

Com. from Taunton Development Corporation submitting a response regarding recreational land associated with the acquisition of Phase IV of the Myles Standish Industrial Park stating that once the acquisition of land is complete, the Taunton Development Corporation will be happy to work with the City. **Motion was made to receive and place on file. Councilor Marshall is concerned that 2010-2011 is too far away. Councilor Fiore asked that this be placed in the file of the Committee on Public Property. Councilor Marshall motioned that the Taunton Development Corporation present alternative sites within the next 6 months, specifically, what are their plans. So Voted.**

Councilor Buffington read an extra communication submitted by Julianne Fish, on behalf of South Coastal Counties Legal Services requesting use of the electronic sign to advertise their free informational workshop for tenants living with bad conditions on Wednesday, October 28, 2009 at 6:00 PM at the Taunton Public Library. **Motion was made to move approval for the electronic sign. So Voted.**

Petitions and Claims:

The following are RENEWALS for Class II Licenses:

1. County Street Motors to be located at 603 County Street, Taunton
2. Fogg Auto Sales, Inc. to be located at 346 Winthrop Street, Taunton

Motion was made to refer to the Committee on Police and License and the Police Chief. So Voted.

Petition submitted by Nafez Salem, business location 280 Broadway (Walt's Auto Center Inc.) to transfer license into his name, as he just purchased the property (DEED ON FILE IN THE CITY CLERKS OFFICE). Councilor Pottier read a communication submitted by Captain Bastis, Fire Prevention submitting a positive recommendation. **Motion was made to move approval. So Voted.**

Petition submitted by 18 residents of Donna Terrace stating they do not want to be hooked up to the sewer line and also stating it is very expensive and if it was a reasonable amount that would be different, they do not want the same thing happen as like Railroad Ave. **Motion was made to refer to the Committee on the Department of Public Works. So Voted.**

Committee Reports:

Motion was made for Committee reports to be read by Title and Approved. So Voted. Recommendations adopted to reflect the votes as recorded in Committee Reports. So Voted.

Unfinished Business:

Councilor Buffington motioned that the Mayor provide an update on Operation Clean Sweep. Councilor Croteau motioned that the Committee to the Council as a Whole meet in two weeks (October 27th) on the status and progress of neglected properties with the City Solicitor and the other appropriate departments. Additionally, that the City Solicitor inform whether the City has filed any cases in court on any of these properties. So Voted.

Councilor Barbour asked the Mayor if the sidewalks and crosswalks will be completed soon in the North Taunton Baptist Church area. The Mayor stated they should be completed soon and hopefully before the election.

Councilor Croteau motioned that the Mayor provide a written report for the October 20th Council Meeting on the status of the Dever Wells and the water tanks. So Voted.

Councilor Croteau discussed the Railroad Avenue Sewer Project. Therefore, he motioned that since the City is receiving a 2% loan, the residents receive the same 2% loan instead of a 5% loan. Additionally, he Council motioned that Treasurer/Collector provide a financial report on this matter as they would like to know the legal and financial cost implications on an annual basis and a copy of the Massachusetts General Law on this issue. So Voted.

Councilor Croteau motioned that the Committee to the Council as a Whole discuss the matter of enterprising the Sewer System for further study. Therefore, the Council asked that the Committee meet within the next couple of weeks and requested clarification that would indicate if the sewer system were enteprised, what the City would take in for revenue on the higher rate. So Voted.

Councilor Buffington motioned to place on next week's agenda under unfinished business, an update from the City Solicitor concerning the status of FB Rogers legal action with the former contractor. So Voted.

New Business:

Councilor Hoye motioned that the Mayor investigate having aerial spraying in the East Taunton area, specifically in the Richmond Street area. So Voted.

Councilor Pottier read an extra communication submitted by the Southeastern Massachusetts Voices Against Violence requesting use of the electronic sign to advertise 2009 National Make a Difference Day Project on October 24, 2009 from 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM. **Motion was made to move approval for the electronic sign. So Voted.**

The Mayor read a communication from the Acting Police Chief stating that there was a Community Police Meeting on September 3, 2009 and it was determined that changes would be made to make the Community Police Officers more visible. **Motion was made to receive and place on file. So Voted.**

Councilor Croteau motioned that the DPW Commissioner investigate a street drainage problem at 259 Caswell Street. So Voted.

Councilor Carr motioned that the DPW have the trash picked up on Fremont Street between the railroad tracks and Paula Drive. So Voted. *(The City Clerk called this into the DPW and spoke with Peter.)*

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 P.M.

A true copy:

Attest:



City Clerk

CITY OF TAUNTON
MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
OCTOBER 13, 2009

THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND SALARIES

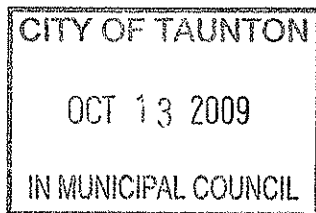
PRESENT WERE: COUNCILOR JORDAN FIORE, CHAIRMAN AND COUNCILORS CROTEAU AND BARBOUR. ALSO PRESENT WAS GILL ENOS, BUDGET DIRECTOR

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:00 P.M.

1. **MEET TO REVIEW THE WEEKLY VOUCHERS & PAYROLLS FOR CITY DEPARTMENTS**
MOTION: MOVE APPROVAL OF THE VOUCHERS & PAYROLLS FOR THE WEEK

2. **MEET TO REVIEW REQUESTS FOR FUNDING**
MOTION: MOVE APPROVAL OF REQUEST OF BUILDING SUPERINTENDENT TO TRANSFER \$312.15 FROM ACCOUNT NO. 1-492-202-5341 – TELEPHONE TO ACCOUNT NO. 1-492-206-5341 – TELEPHONE TO PAY A PRIOR YEAR BILL.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:02 P.M.



RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

Colleen Ellis

COLLEEN M. ELLIS
CLERK OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES

REPORTS ACCEPTED, RECOMMENDATIONS ADOPTED.

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CITY CLERK

CITY OF TAUNTON
MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
OCTOBER 13, 2009

THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC PROPERTY

PRESENT WERE: COUNCILOR JORDAN FIORE, CHAIRMAN AND COUNCILORS MARSHALL, BUFFINGTON, HOYE AND BARBOUR. ALSO PRESENT WERE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS JULIA HACKETT AND SUPERINTENDENT OF BUILDINGS WAYNE WALKDEN

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:34 P.M.

1. **MEET TO DISCUSS ENDORSEMENT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE'S SBA PROPOSAL FOR NEXT ROUND OF REPAIR WORK**
LETTER DATED 10/13/09 OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS JULIE HACKETT WAS READ IN WHICH SHE INFORMED THE COMMITTEE THAT THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE VOTED TO APPROVE THE SUBMISSION OF NINE (9) STATEMENTS OF INTEREST TO THE MASSACHUSETTS SCHOOL BUILDING AUTHORITY (MSBA) ON 10/7/09. FOLLOWING IS AN EXCERPT FROM THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE MINUTES ON THAT DATE:
MR. MARTIN MOVED A MOTION, SECONDED BY MRS. NOWAK, WITH ALL MEMBERS VOTING UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE THE PROPOSED LIST OF STATEMENTS OF INTEREST TO BE FORWARDED TO THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL FOR APPROVAL ON OCTOBER 13, 2009 AND SUBMITTAL TO THE MSBA
ALSO PROVIDED WAS A MSBA STATEMENTS OF INTEREST SUMMARY WHICH INCLUDED THE INTENT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE TO SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS OF INTEREST TO THE MSBA:
BENNETT SCHOOL:
ROOF REPLACEMENT AND CONVERSION OF ELECTRIC HEAT SYSTEM TO GAS WITH NEW MECHANICAL ROOM AND GENERATOR
EAST TAUNTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL:
REPLACE ENTIRE ROOF SYSTEM
GALLIGAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL:
COMPLETE ROOF REPLACEMENT PROJECT AND CONSIDER NEW ENERGY TECHNOLOGY TO BE INCORPORATED INTO ROOF SYSTEM IN ORDER TO HELP OFFSET LONG TERM OPERATIONAL COSTS
HOPEWELL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL:
CONVERT EXISTING STEAM HEAT SYSTEM TO HOT WATER; REPLACE ROOF SYSTEM – NEW ENERGY TECHNOLOGY SHOULD BE CONSIDERED AT TIME OF ROOF REPLACEMENT TO INCORPORATE SOLAR TECHNOLOGY INTO THE ROOF TOP
MAXHAM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL:
CONVERT EXISTING STEAM HEAT SYSTEM TO HOT WATER AND REPLACE TWELVE UNIT VENTILATORS
WALKER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL:
REPLACE ROOF SYSTEM AND CONSIDER INCORPORATION OF NEW ROOF TOP ENERGY TECHNOLOGY TO HELP OFFSET LONG TERM OPERATIONAL COSTS. REPLACE TWELVE UNIT VENTILATORS
MARTIN MIDDLE SCHOOL:
REPLACE ROOF SYSTEM – THIS FACILITY IS BEST OPPORTUNITY TO INITIATE AND INCORPORATE NEW ENERGY TECHNOLOGY INTO THE ROOF SYSTEM TO OFFSET THE LONG TERM OPERATIONAL COSTS OF THE EXISTING ELECTRIC HEAT SYSTEM. A FEDERAL STIMULUS GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$519,000 WILL ASSIST WITH THE

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THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC PROPERTY – CONTINUED

DESIGN AND ENGINEERING OF AN ALTERNATIVE HEATING SYSTEM. MARTIN SCHOOL WILL BE IDENTIFIED AS THE GREATEST PRIORITY.

MULCAHEY MIDDLE SCHOOL

UPGRADE ALL EXISTING SINGLE PANE WINDOW SASH WITH NEW INSULATED SASH AND FRAMES. REPAIR AND/OR REPLACE ALL EXISTING NON-INSULATED STEEL WINDOW/EXTERIOR WALL FRAMES. REPLACE ALL HEATING CONTROLS, AIR HANDLERS AND UNIT VENTILATORS

OLD ELIZABETH POLE SCHOOL

ENGINEER AND DESIGN A COMPLETE NEW ROOF SYSTEM, REPLACEMENT ROOF PROJECT SHOULD NOW INCORPORATE NEW ENERGY TECHNOLOGY TO ASSIST IN OFFSETTING LONG TERM OPERATIONAL COSTS. UPGRADE ALL EXISTING SINGLE PANE WINDOW SASH TO NEW ENERGY EFFICIENT SASH AND FRAMES. REPAIR EXISTING FAILING EXTERIOR WALL CONCRETE BLOCK SYSTEM AND COVER WITH COMPLETE ENERGY EFFICIENT AND MAINTENANCE FREE SIDE WALL MATERIAL. UPGRADE THE ELECTRICAL, HEATING, AND VENTILATION SYSTEMS THROUGHOUT.

MOTION: MOVE THAT THE LIST BE FORMALLY SUBMITTED TO MSBA

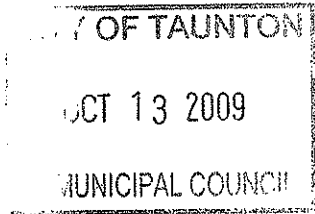
IT WAS NOTED THAT THE DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION IS OCTOBER 23, 2009.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:07 P.M.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,



COLLEEN M. ELLIS
CLERK OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES



REPORTS ACCEPTED, RECOMMENDATIONS ADOPTED.


CITY CLERK



CITY OF TAUNTON

ORDER #3
FY 2010
OCTOBER 13, 2009

In Municipal Council 20.....

Ordered, That

THE SUM OF THREE HUNDRED TWELVE DOLLARS

AND FIFTEEN CENTS (\$312.15) BE AND HEREBY IS TRANSFERRED FROM BUILDING

DEPARTMENT ACCOUNT NO. 1-492-202-5341 – TELEPHONE

TO: ACCOUNT NO. 1-492-206-5341 – TELEPHONE

..... *Clerk.*