



*City of Taunton
Municipal Council Meeting Minutes*

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*In the Chester R. Martin Municipal Council Chambers
Minutes, June 9, 2009 at 7:00 O'clock P.M.*

Regular Meeting

Mayor Charles Crowley presiding

Prayer was offered by the Mayor

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

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

Motion was made to revert from the regular order of business to Communications from the Mayor. So Voted.

Communications from Mayor:

At this time, the Mayor presented a citation to Darwin Phillips for the heroic and selfless act of courage and concern for a neighbor in need during a house fire.

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

Hearings:

Hearing came up by assignment on the petition for a special permit/site plan review submitted by Attorney David T. Gay, 988 73 Washington Street, Taunton on behalf of his client Titanium Group, LLC, 13 Cape Road, Taunton for the addition of a gasoline filling station to the existing car wash and auto sales use at 13 Cape Road located in a Highway Business District. **Motion was made to open the hearing. So Voted.** Com. from Chairman, DIRB submitting a list of conditions was read. **Motion was made to make part of the hearing. So Voted.** Com. from Chairman, Taunton Planning Board submitting a positive recommendation was read. **Motion was made to make part of the hearing. So Voted.** Tax Status are paid in full. **Motion was made to make part of the hearing. So Voted.** **Motion was made to invite Attorney David Gay, Ronen Drory, owner, and Paul Patenaude, Earth Services Corporation into the enclosure. So Voted.** Attorney Gay stated this property is an existing car wash with a Class II license of 20 vehicles, which would be reduced to 14 vehicles stating that the order of conditions from our Conservation Commission was approved, along with a minor modification to the car wash, as you will be able to drive your car through and if you have your car cleaned, one of their employees will drive the vehicles thru and the cars will be cleaned inside the building. Attorney Gay stated that the prior business in the same location had a gasoline service station. He also stated that his clients have improved the business. Attorney Gay also stated that this is common practice today to have a car wash/gasoline service station. At this time, they are also checking with the Department of

Environmental Protection to see if they need a water quality permit and they have received no response from DEP yet. At this time, Paul Patenaude explained the site set-up. Councilor Hoye asked if all water runoffs will remain on-site and they answered yes. Councilor Costa-Hanlon asked if any consideration has been given to installing a fence due to trash. They stated their employees clean the site daily as they will also have a dumpster. Councilor Pottier asked about hours of operation. They stated possibly 6:00 AM – 12:00 AM. Councilor Carr asked if it would be full services or self-service. They stated self-service. Councilor Costa-Hanlon asked questions about the Fire Department's involvement with the gas station permitting. Attorney Gay stated plans would have to be filed with the State and City Fire Departments and a flammable License would have to be obtained from the City. Councilor Marshall asked what the canopies would look like. They stated either white or match the logo of the sign. Councilor Marshall also discussed his concerns with exiting the building. They stated there would be 12 gas pumps. Councilor Barbour stated he feels this is a small campus and asked if they would consider reducing the pumps from 12 to a reasonable number. They stated they will have two stations for gas bays. No one speaking in favor or in opposition. **Motion was made to close the hearing and grant the petition subject to the Fire Department permits and approval that no water certification is needed from the DEP. So Voted.**

Communications:

Com. from Fire Chief requesting a transfer of funds in the amount of \$9,000.00 for the machine repairs account. **Motion was made to refer to the Committee on Finance and Salaries and the Mayor's Office. That the Fire Chief explain the -\$10,188.77.00 and why he is not transferring more money. As of June 4, 2009 there was over \$400,00.00 left in said account and asked that he explain why so much money is left in this account. How much was budgeted and how much was spent. So Voted.**

Com. from Animal Control Officer requesting a transfer of funds in the amount of \$1,000.00 for unexpected truck repairs on both Animal Control vehicles. **Motion was made to refer to the Committee on Finance and Salaries and the Mayor's Office. So Voted.**

Com. from Executive Director of Retirement notifying of the retirement of David W. Smith, past employee of the Police Department effective retroactive to August 9, 2004. **Motion was denied. So Voted. Motion was withdrawn. So Voted. Refer to the Municipal Council under old business for next week and refer to the City Solicitor to report back for next week. Motion was made to receive from the Police Department a calculation of benefits. So Voted. Council Croteau voting in opposition.**

Com. from Assistant Director, Department of Human Services requesting permission to apply for a grant through the Executive Office of Elder Affairs/Formula Grant Program. **Motion was made to move approval. So Voted.**

Com. from Joao Arruda, Secretary, Holy Trinity Holy Ghost Brotherhood of Taunton, 29 Winter St., Taunton requesting use of the electronic sign and extending an invitation to their feast on June 26-28, from 6:00 PM – 12:00 PM. **Motion was made to move approval. So Voted.**

Com. from Joao Arruda, Secretary, Holy Trinity Holy Ghost Brotherhood of Taunton, 29 Winter St., Taunton requesting to conduct a procession and to have restricted parking during their feast on June 26-28, 2009. **Motion was made to move approval and refer to the Council President, Police Chief, Fire Chief and Ambulance Service. So Voted.**

Com. from Gina Coates, 13 Madison St., Taunton, Animal Shelter Volunteer requesting reconsideration of the termination of Robert Danielczyk, Taunton Animal Shelter Manager. Councilor Pottier read two additional communications sent to him concerning this matter. One from Kathie MacKay and one from Bill Hampl, Treasurer, Friends of the Taunton Animal Shelter. Both communications expressed extreme concern for the care of the animals if Robert were no longer employed and asked that the Council reconsider. **Motion was made to refer to the Mayor's Office and Budget Hearings for next Monday for consideration. Refer to the Animal Control Officer to determine what his fees are, how much revenue he brings into the shelter for his budget hearing. Additionally, ask if he can cut his budget in any way. Councilor Hoye asked the Mayor to look into regionalizing with other communities. Councilor Carr stated this is a critical position to be restored and requested what the plans are if not restored. How is it going to be run with just 1 position? Councilor Croteau was opposed. So Voted.**

Com. from Pastor Jack DaGraca, Father's House Family Church, Raynham requesting use of the electronic sign to advertise their Church at the Park Community Outreach event on Saturday, August 22, 2009 from 12:00 PM – 4:00 PM at Memorial Park. **Motion was made to move approval. So Voted.**

Councilor Barbour asked if there is more than one banking institution that the City can do direct deposits with. Additionally, he inquired if an employee can divide their pay to different banking institutions. Therefore, he motioned that the Treasurer/Collector provide an answer to these questions and if these things cannot be done, she provide an explanation as to why not. So Voted.

Petitions and Claims:

Application submitted by Donald Wheeler, 85 Princess Kate Circle, Taunton requesting a new Constable License desiring to serve as a crossing guard. **Motion was made to refer to the Committee on Police and License and the Police Chief. So Voted.**

Petition submitted by Douglas Fredericks, Single Copy Sales Manager requesting a renewal of his Newspaper Rack License –DBA- Taunton Daily Gazette for 50 locations. **Motion was made to refer to the Committee on Police and License and the Police Chief. So Voted.**

Petition submitted by Ernest Cardoza requesting a renewal of a Billiard Table License – DBA- VFW Post 611 located at 82 Ingell St. Unit #4, Taunton. (1Table) **Motion was made to refer to the Committee on Police and License and the Police Chief. So Voted.**

Petition submitted by Paul Riendeau requesting a renewal of the Second Hand Article License for St. Vincent dePaul Society –DBA- Pennies from Heaven located at 141 Washington Street, Taunton. **Motion was made to refer to the Committee on Police and License and the Police Chief. So Voted.**

Petition submitted by Donna Francis requesting a renewal of her Livery License, A&D Enterprises –DBA- Pegasus Airport Service located at 48 Worcester Street, Taunton. (3 vehicles) **Motion was made to refer to the Committee on Police and License and the Police Chief. So Voted.**

Claim submitted by David M. Bigda, 63 Kimberly Road, Taunton seeking reimbursement for damages to his automobile from hitting a pothole on Tremont Street near house number 369. **Motion was made to refer to the City Solicitor and the DPW to fill the pothole. So Voted. (The City Clerk called the pothole into Mindy at the DPW.)**

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 Croteau motioned that during budget discussions concerning the Fire Department, the topic of purchasing a fire truck in 2010 through a federal grant, if available, be discussed. So Voted.

Councilor Croteau stated that a citizen spoke with him concerning the traffic problem on Williams Street at the intersection of Gordon Owen Boulevard as it takes this individual ½ hour to travel from Williams Street to Route 24. Therefore, Councilor Croteau motioned that the Acting Police Chief look into this situation and refer to the Committee on Police and License. So Voted.

Councilor Croteau motioned that the Committee on the Department of Public Works submit a status report on betterments and hook-ups for Harris Street. So Voted.

Councilor Croteau motioned that the Mayor present the Council with the status report of the Sopher Trust. So Voted.

Orders, Ordinances, and Enrolled Bills

Ordinance for a second reading to be passed to a third reading

AN ORDINANCE

Section 22-8: Initial water services connections; charge.

Be it ordained by the Municipal Council of the City of Taunton as follows:

That Section 22-8 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Taunton, as amended, by and hereby are further amended by adding thereto the following:

B. Minimum Billing and Water Rates
Section 1:

Fixed Quarterly/Monthly Billing:

Adding: The term “quarterly” as being no less than 91 days and no more than 93 days.

All ordinances or parts thereof inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon passage. **Motion was made to pass to a third reading. So Voted.**

Ordinance for a second reading to be passed to a third reading

AN ORDINANCE

**REGULATING THE MAINTENANCE OF VACANT AND
 FORECLOSING RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES**

Be it ordained by the City Council of Taunton, as follows that the City of Taunton Ordinances be amended by adding the following ordinance:

Regulating the Maintenance of Vacant and Foreclosing Residential Properties.

- (a) *Purpose.* It is the intent of this section to protect and preserve public safety, security, and quiet enjoyment of occupants, abutters, and neighborhoods by (i) requiring all residential property owners, including lenders, trustees, and service companies, to properly maintain vacant and/or foreclosing properties (ii) regulating the maintenance of vacant and/or foreclosing, residential properties to prevent blighted and unsecured residences.

The Building Commissioner has enforcement authority pursuant to, *inter alia*, M.G.L. c. 143, s. 3, the State Building Code, and the Revised Zoning Ordinances of the City of Taunton.

- (b) *Definitions.* When used in this section, unless a contrary intention clearly appears, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

City means City of Taunton.

Commissioner means Building Commissioner for the City of Taunton.

Days mean consecutive calendar days.

Foreclosing means the process by which a property, placed as security for a real estate loan, is prepared for sale to satisfy the debt if the borrower defaults.

“Initiation of the foreclosure process” means taking any of the following actions: (i) taking possession of a residential property pursuant to M.G.L. c.244, s. 1; (ii) delivering the Mortgagee’s notice of intention to foreclose to the borrower pursuant to M.G.L. c. 244, s. 17B; or (iii) commencing a foreclosure action on a property in either the Land Court or Bristol County Superior Court.

Local means within twenty (20) driving miles distance of the property in question.

Mortgagee means the creditor, including but not limited to, service companies, lenders in a mortgage agreement and any agent, servant, or employee of the mortgagee, or any successor in interest and/or assignee of the mortgagee’s rights, interests or obligations under the mortgage agreement.

Owner means every person, entity, service company, property manager or real estate broker, who alone or severally with others:

- (1) has legal or equitable title to any dwelling, dwelling unit, mobile dwelling unit, or parcel of land, vacant or otherwise, including a mobile home park; or
- (2) has care, charge or control of any dwelling, dwelling unit, mobile dwelling unit or parcel of land, vacant or otherwise, including a mobile home park, in any capacity including but not limited to agent, executor, executrix, administrator, administratrix, trustee or guardian of the estate of the holder of legal title; or
- (3) is a mortgagee in possession of any such property; or
- (4) is an agent, trustee or other person appointed by the courts and vested with possession or control of any such property; or
- (5) is an officer or trustee of the association of unit owners of a condominium? Each such person is bound to comply with the provisions of these minimum standards as if he were the owner. However, this ordinance shall not apply to a Condominium Association created pursuant to M.G.L. c. 183A to the extent that such Association forecloses on or initiates the foreclosure process for unpaid assessments due or owing to the Association. Owner also means every person who operates a rooming house; or
- (6) is a trustee who holds, owns or controls mortgage loans for mortgage backed securities transactions and has initiated the foreclosure process.

Property means any real, residential property, or portion thereof, located in the City of Taunton, including building or structures situated on the property. For purposes of this section only, property does not include property owned or subject to the control of the City or any of its’ governmental bodies. Such property includes, but is not limited to, property owned or controlled by the

Taunton Redevelopment Authority, Taunton Housing Authority, and Department of Neighborhood Development.

RECORDING IN REGISTRY OF DEEDS FOR NON-JUDICIAL FORECLOSURES, SURE BY ENTRY, FILING SERVICEMEMEBERS RELIEF ACT COMPLAINT WIT

Residential Property means any property that contains one or more dwelling units used, intended, or designed to be occupied for living purposes.

Securing means measures that assist in making the property inaccessible to unauthorized persons.

Vacant means any property not currently legally occupied and not properly maintained or secured.

(c) *Registration of Vacant and/or Foreclosing Residential Properties*

Duty to Provide Written Notice of Vacant, Residential Property and/or Mortgage Foreclosure.

All owners must register vacant and/or foreclosing residential properties with the Building Commissioner on forms provided by the Commissioner. All registrations must state the individual owner's or agent's phone number and mailing address located within the Commonwealth as required by M.G.L. c. 59, s. 57D, M.G.L. c. 156D, s. 5.02, and 950 CMR 113.20. The mailing address may not be a P.O. Box. This registration must also certify that the property was inspected and identify whether the property is vacant at the time of filing. If the property is vacant, the owner and/or registrant must designate and retain a local individual or local property management company responsible for the security and maintenance of the property. This designation must state the individual or company's name, phone number, and local mailing address. The mailing address may not be a P.O. Box. If the property is in the process of foreclosure, then the registration must be received within seven days of the initiation of the foreclosure process as defined in subsection (b). If the Commissioner determines that the property is vacant and that foreclosure proceedings have not been initiated, the registration must be received within fourteen days of the Commissioner's first citation for improper maintenance.

All property registrations are valid for one calendar year. An annual registration fee of one hundred dollars and no cents (\$100.00) must accompany the registration form. Subsequent annual registrations and fees are due within thirty (30) days of the expiration of the previous registration and must certify whether the foreclosing and/or foreclosed property remains vacant or not.

Once the property is no longer vacant or is sold, the owner must provide proof of sale or written notice and proof of occupancy to the Building Commissioner.

(d) *Maintenance Requirements*

Properties subject to this section must be maintained in accordance with the relevant Sanitary Codes, Building Codes, and local regulations concerning external and/or visible maintenance. The owner, local individual or local property management company must inspect and maintain the property on a monthly basis for the duration of the vacancy.

Adherence to this section does not relieve the owner of any applicable obligations set forth in Code Regulations, Covenant Conditions and Restrictions and/or Home Owners Association rules and regulations.

(e) *Inspections*

The Building Commissioner shall have the authority and the duty to inspect properties subject to this section for compliance and to issue citations for any violations. The Building Commission shall have the discretion to determine when and how such inspections are to be made, provided that their policies are reasonably calculated to ensure that this section is enforced.

(f) *Enforcement and Penalties.*

Failure to initially register with the Commissioner is punishable by a fine of three hundred dollars and no cents (\$300.00).

If applicable, failure to properly identify the name of the local individual or local property management company is punishable by a fine of three hundred dollars and no cents (\$300.00).

Failure to maintain the property is punishable by a fine up to three hundred dollars and no cents (\$300.00) for each week the property is not maintained.

(g) *Appeal.* Any person aggrieved by the requirements of this section may seek an administrative appeal to the Building Commissioner. Any person aggrieved by a final decision issued under this section by the Building Commissioner, may seek relief in any court of competent jurisdiction as provided by the laws of the Commonwealth.

(h) *Applicability.* If any provision of this section imposes greater restrictions or obligations than those imposed by any other general law, special law, regulation, rule, ordinance, by-law, order, or policy then the provisions of this section control.

(i) *Regulatory Authority.* The Building Commissioner the authority to promulgate rules and regulations necessary to implement and enforce this section.

(j) *Severability.* If any provision of this section is held to be invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction then such provision shall be considered separately and apart from the remaining provisions, which shall remain in full force and effect.

- (k) *Implementation.* The provisions of this section are effective immediately upon passage and all provisions shall be enforced immediately but no monetary fine shall be imposed pursuant hereto until ninety (90) days after passage.
- (l) *Notice.* A copy of this ordinance is to be mailed to all owners of residential property located in the City of Taunton within 90 days of passage of the ordinance. In addition, a copy of this ordinance is to be mailed to all loan institutions, banks, real estate offices, and management companies located in and/or having legal or equitable interest in residential property located in the City of Taunton. In addition, each time the Assessors Office receives notification of a transfer of ownership of residential property, it shall forward the same to the Building Commissioner. The Commissioner shall cause a copy of this Ordinance to be mailed to the transferee of the property within 30 days of notification.
- (m) *Exempt from Disclosure.* Records compiled pursuant to the provisions of this Ordinance shall be exempt from disclosure pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 4, § 7 of the Massachusetts General Laws.

All ordinances or parts thereof inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon passage. **Motion was made to pass to a third reading. So Voted.**

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 P.M.

A true copy:

Attest:



City Clerk

CITY OF TAUNTON
MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
JUNE 9, 2009

THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND SALARIES

PRESENT WERE: COUNCILOR JORDAN FIORE, CHAIRMAN AND COUNCILORS
CROTEAU AND POTTIER

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:06 P.M.

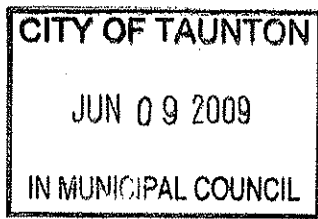
1. MEET TO REVIEW THE WEEKLY VOUCHERS & PAYROLLS FOR CITY
DEPARTMENTS
MOTION: MOVE APPROVAL OF THE VOUCHERS & PAYROLLS FOR
THE WEEK.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:07 P.M.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,



COLLEEN M. ELLIS
CLERK OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES



Reports accepted, recommendations adopted.



City Clerk

CITY OF TAUNTON
MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
JUNE 9, 2009

THE COMMITTEE OF THE COUNCIL AS A WHOLE

PRESENT WERE: COUNCIL PRESIDENT DAVID POTTIER AND COUNCILORS HOYE, COSTA-HANLON, FIORE, MARSHALL, CROTEAU, CARR, BUFFINGTON AND BARBOUR. ALSO PRESENT WAS KEVIN SCANLON, DIRECTOR OF PLANNING & CONSERVATION

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:22 P.M.

1. MEET WITH THE CITY PLANNER TO DISCUSS PROPOSALS TO ALTER THE CITY ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE DIRB.

THE CITY PLANNER INFORMED THE COMMITTEE THAT THE SITE PLAN REVIEW PROCESS HAS BEEN IN PLACE FOR OVER 20 YEARS. THE REVIEW PROCESS WAS ORIGINALLY A 2 STEP PROCESS IN WHICH THE DIRB (COMPRISED OF DEPARTMENT HEADS & A WARD REP) REVIEWED THE PETITION AND SUBMITTED RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL FOR ISSUANCE OF THE DECISION WITH CONDITIONS. PUBLIC INPUT AT THE DIRB LEVEL WAS IN WRITING ONLY WITH THE COUNCIL MEETING BEING THE PLACE WHERE THE PUBLIC COULD SPEAK TO THE DECISION MAKING AUTHORITY.

OVER TIME, TO STREAMLINE THE REVIEW PROCESS FOR PROJECTS, THE AUTHORITY TO ISSUE THE FINAL LIST OF CONDITIONS ON A SITE PLAN REVIEW WAS DELEGATED TO THE DIRB IN ORDER TO REDUCE THE REVIEW TIME FROM 10-12 WEEKS ON AVERAGE TO 2 WEEKS.

THE PROCESS HAS WORKED, FOR THE MOST PART, OVER THE PAST YEARS. HOWEVER SEVERAL IMPROVEMENTS TO THE PROCESS ARE NEEDED AND ARE IDENTIFIED BY RECENT PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE PROCESS AND REVIEW OF THE DIRB ORDINANCES. THEY ARE AS FOLLOWS:

- * PUBLIC INPUT IS STILL IN WRITING TO THE DIRB. SINCE THE DIRB IS NOW APPROVING THE LIST OF CONDITIONS, IN ADDITION TO THE WRITTEN INPUT, PUBLIC INPUT IN FORM OF SPEAKING SHALL BE ALLOWED IF SOMEONE TAKES THE TIME TO ATTEND THE MEETING.
- * THERE ARE CURRENTLY ONLY 2 ACTIVE AND PARTICIPATING WARD REPS. NEW WARD REPS NEED TO BE APPOINTED AND AN ORDINANCE CHANGE IS NEEDED.
- * THE COMPOSITION OF THE BOARD SHOULD BE ALTERED TO REFLECT THE DEPARTMENTS WITH THE MOST INPUT ON THE PROJECTS.
- * THE COUNCIL SHOULD EXAMINE THE TYPES OF PROJECTS THAT THE DIRB APPROVES AND MAYBE MOVE LARGER PROJECTS OR THOSE LIKELY TO BE MORE CONTROVERSIAL BACK TO AN ELECTED BOARD FOR REVIEW. IT IS IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT PROJECTS FALLING UNDER DIRB JURISDICTION ONLY, ARE BY-RIGHT PROJECTS THAT CANNOT BE DENIED. THEY CAN ONLY BE CONDITIONED. MR. SCANLON PROVIDED TWO PROPOSALS TO ALTER THE CITY ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE DIRB.

TWO OPTIONS WERE PRESENTED. THE FIRST IS WITH A BOARD CONSISTING OF 5 PERMANENT MEMBERS AND 2 WARD MEMBERS, THE PERMANENT MEMBERS BEING THE PLANNING AND CONSERVATION DIRECTOR (WHO SHALL SERVE AS CHAIRMAN), THE DPW DIRECTOR OR DESIGNEE, THE CITY ENGINEER, CONSERVATION AGENT AND DIRECTOR OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH (OR DESIGNEE). THE WARD MEMBERS SHALL BE APPOINTED BY THE COUNCIL FOR A TERM TO BE SPECIFIED AT TIME OF APPOINTMENT. WARD MEMBERS SHALL BE RESIDENTS OF THE WARD IN WHICH THE PROJECT IS LOCATED. RESIDENTS OF

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THE COMMITTEE OF THE COUNCIL AS A WHOLE – CONTINUED

ADJOINING WARDS MAY SERVE AS ALTERNATE MEMBERS IN CASE OF A CONFLICT OR VACANCY IN A WARD. IN SELECTING ALTERNATE REPRESENTATIVES, THE CHAIRMAN SHALL SELECT THE INDIVIDUALS WHO WILL REVIEW EACH PROJECT FROM THE CLOSEST ABUTTING WARD TO THE PROPOSED PROJECT.

THE SECOND OPTIONS IS WITH A BOARD CONSISTING OF 9 PERMANENT MEMBERS. THE MEMBERS BEING THE PLANNING AND CONSERVATION DIRECTOR (WHO WILL SERVE AS CHAIRMAN), THE DPW DIRECTOR OR DESIGNEE, CITY ENGINEER, CONSERVATION AGENT AND DIRECTOR OF BOARD OF HEALTH (OR DESIGNEE) AND FOUR ABUTTER REPRESENTATIVES. THE ABUTTER REPRESENTATIVES SHALL BE APPOINTED BY THE COUNCIL FOR A TERM TO BE SPECIFIED AT THE TIME OF APPOINTMENT.

MR. SCANLON PREFERS OPTION 2. DISCUSSED AT LENGTH WAS PUTTING WORDING IN OPTION 2 TO PROVIDE AN ADVOCATE FOR THE AREA IN WHICH A PROJECT IS LOCATED IN AN EFFORT TO MAKE SURE THE WHOLE CITY IS REPRESENTED. FURTHER DISCUSSION WAS HELD REGARDING HAVING A REPRESENTATIVE FROM EACH AREA OF THE CITY, EAST TAUNTON, NORTH TAUNTON, WEST TAUNTON AND CENTRAL/SOUTH TAUNTON. THE COMMITTEE FEELS THAT IT IS IMPORTANT THAT A PERSON FROM EACH AREA OF THE CITY BE ON THE BOARD. THEY WOULD BE THE ADVOCATES FOR NEIGHBORS.

MOTION: REFER TO ORDINANCE COMMITTEE WITH CHANGE IN PROPOSED OPTION TO STATE THAT “ABUTTER REPRESENTATIVES SHALL BE SELECTED WITH ONE MEMBER RESIDING IN EAST TAUNTON, ONE MEMBER RESIDING IN NORTH TAUNTON, ONE MEMBER RESIDING IN WEST TAUNTON AND ONE MEMBER RESIDING IN CENTRAL/SOUTH TAUNTON”.

THE PLANNER ALSO PROVIDED CHANGES REQUIRED IN THE ZONING ORDINANCES SECTION 15.2 SITE PLAN REVIEW THRESHOLDS.. THIS WOULD BE A SEPARATE HEARING PROCESS. THE CHANGES IN THE ZONING ORDINANCES INCLUDE ADDING THE LANGUAGE THAT A FULL SITE PLAN REVIEW B THE DIRB, PLANNING BOARD AND A PUBLIC HEARING FROM THE SITE PLAN REVIEW COMMITTEE SHALL APPLY TO ANY NEW PROJECT OR ADDITION THAT IS LARGER THAN 100,000 SQ. FT. IN SIZE. THIS CHANGE HAS TO GO TO THE PLANNING BOARD FIRST FOR A PUBLIC HEARING AND THEN IT WOULD COME BACK TO THE COUNCIL FOR A PUBLIC HEARING.

MOTION: REFER TO PUBLIC HEARING PROCESS.

2. MEET TO REVIEW MATTERS IN FILE

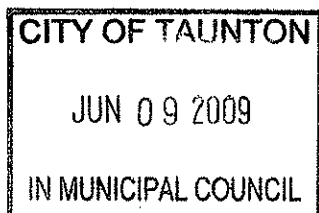
THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT REMENDE THE COMMITTEE THAT MONDAY, JUNE 15TH THE SECOND BUDGETARY MEETING WILL TAKE PLACE.

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THE COMMITTEE OF THE COUNCIL AS A WHOLE – CONTINUED

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:46 P.M.



RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Colleen M. Ellis".

COLLEEN M. ELLIS
CLERK OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Reports accepted, recommendations adopted.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Rm Blackwell".

City Clerk