



*City of Taunton
Municipal Council Meeting Minutes*

*In the Chester R. Martin Municipal Council Chambers
Minutes, April 14, 2009 at 7:11 O'clock P.M.*

Regular Meeting

Mayor Charles Crowley presiding

Prayer was offered by the Mayor

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

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

Communications from Mayor:

At this time, the Mayor requested that the Taunton Eagles Soccer Team, under 14 and their coaches be invited into the enclosure. The Mayor stated that the Team is traveling to Portugal for soccer games representing Taunton. The Mayor presented the team with a Liberty and Union Flag and the story behind the flag to fly at the games. He also presented medals to the team to exchange with players they encounter. The members of the team presented the Mayor and the Councilors with mementos of their team. Councilor Costa-Hanlon stated that the children worked hard and wished them a wonderful time in Portugal as Taunton's ambassadors.

Motion was made to revert from the regular order of business to page 15 of the agenda, the communication from Attorney Alan Medeiros, Brennan, Medeiros & Brennan, One Church Green requesting an extension of the Special Permit/Site Plan Review for the premises at Parcels 38-11 and 38-23 Whittenton Street. **Motion was made to receive and place on file. So Voted.** Attorney Medeiros stated his client would like to receive the extension as they just purchased the property from foreclosure last Tuesday. The Council discussed information concerning I&I and Sewer Bank matters and a pumping station. **Motion was made to move approval. Councilors Carr and Costa-Hanlon voting in opposition. So Voted.**

Motion was made to recess at 7:40 PM.

Motion was made to return to the regular Municipal Council meeting at 9:59 PM. So Voted.

The Mayor read a communication submitted by John Medeiros, 14 Short Street, Taunton requesting consideration for the position of community representative for the Oakland section of Taunton on the Development Impact Review Board. **Motion was made to refer to the DIRB for consideration. So Voted.**

The Mayor read a communication submitted by the Fire Chief submitting a copy of the hotel bill for the proposed Telestaff trip to California. He stated that if the union and the City come to an agreement on overtime pay, he anticipates an additional cost per fire department attendee of approximately \$2,300.00. **Motion was made to move approval of the transfer of funds in the amount of \$3,516.48 from the Reserve Account to the Meals/Travel Allowance Account. So Voted.**

The Mayor read a communication requesting a transfer of \$437,764.24 from the Stabilization Account to Account 1-493-202-5258 (Repair of Public Buildings) so that contracts can be signed for the demolition of F.B. Rogers. The balance remaining in the stabilization account will then be \$7,980,247.40. The total cost of demolition will be as follows: \$183,012.76 transferred from the Sale of Real Estate Account to the Building Department Account – Repair of Public Buildings; \$200,000.00 – CDBG; \$437,764.24 – transferred from the Stabilization Account to the Building Department Account – Repair of Public Buildings for a total of \$820,777.00. **Motion was made to move approval. Councilors Costa-Hanlon and Fiore voting no. So Voted.**

The Mayor informed the Council that the Governor has made severe cuts in the State today. Tomorrow, the House version of the budget will be released. He stated he will be in Boston on Thursday. The Mayor read a communication from Jeff Beckwith that was sent to all the Mayors stating that all signs point to extremely deep cuts in local aid in the House Ways and Means Committee proposal, much deeper than the Governor cut in his January submission. State revenues are plummeting. All parties should expect an extremely difficult budget that cuts at least \$1 billion from the Governor's House One Proposal. He stated it is possible that we may be looking at layoffs. He stated the budget will be presented in late May. He invited the Councilors to meet with him to go over any portion of the budget prior to the presentation. The Mayor stated he will continue to keep the Council updated on any communications from the State.

Communications:

Com. from Acting Police Chief requesting a transfer of funds in the amount of \$40,000.00. **Motion was made to refer to the Committee on Finance and Salaries and the Mayor's Office. So Voted.**

Com. from City Solicitor stating he received a response from Attorney General Martha Coakley's office regarding Morey's Bridge Dam that informs the City that Jefferson Development Partners, LLC completed the demolition and removal of the gatehouse at Morey's Bridge Dam around March 18, 2009 and is in the process of completing the remaining items in DCR's Chapter 253 Dam Safety Act permit for the project. **Motion was made that the City Solicitor provide a copy of the entire letter to each Councilor. So Voted.**

Com. from Building Commissioner submitting the Building Permit Record for March 2009. **Motion was made to refer to the Mayor's Office and that the Building Commissioner provide a report on what is done to ensure anyone asking for a permit has paid any outstanding monies they may owe to the City and notify them what has happened here as far as details and put them on notice, some of the entities that owe the City Money. So Voted. Councilor Croteau motioned that he would**

like a copy of the arbitrator's ruling relating to the collection of monies for details and that one be provided to the Committee on Police and License. So Voted.

Com. from Richard W. Gross, Superintendent, Bristol-Plymouth Regional Technical School District, 940 County St., Taunton submitting Taunton's FY 09 Total Assessment in the amount of \$4,175,094.00. **Motion was made to refer to the Budget. So Voted.**

Com. from Attorney Edward Roster, Roster and Antine, 63 Winthrop St., Taunton requesting a withdrawal of the petition of the Taunton Development Corporation to rezone the property identified as ID 29-14. **Motion was made to move approval. So Voted.**

Com. from Director, Department of Human Services requesting to apply for a grant through Bristol Elder Services, Inc./Title III of the Older Americans Act. **Motion was made to move approval. So Voted.**

Com. from Human Resources Division for the appointment of 1 Temporary Full-Time Deputy Fire Chief, 1 Temporary Full-Time Fire Captain, 1 Temporary Full-Time Fire Lieutenant. **On a roll call vote for 1 Temporary Full-Time Deputy Fire Chief, 9 Councilors present, 9 Councilors voting in favor of appointing Edward A. Boiros. So Voted. On a roll call vote for 1 Temporary Full-Time Fire Captain, 9 Councilors Present, 9 Councilors voting in favor of appointing Todd L. Myers. So Voted. On a roll call vote for 1 Temporary Full-Time Fire Lieutenant, 9 Councilors present, 9 Councilors voting in favor of appointing Jonathan A. Nunes. So Voted.**

Councilor Carr read an extra communication submitted by Kathaleen Tutino, Our Lady of Lourdes School, 52 First Street, Taunton requesting use of the electronic sign to advertise their annual yard sale on May 2 and 3, 2009. **Motion was made to move approval. So Voted.**

Councilor Buffington stated he received a communication from a parent of Parker Middle School who expressed that they understood that once renovations were complete on the high school renovation project, Parker would have first preference to the upstairs gym at the high school. **Motion was made to refer to the School Committee for them to inform the Council what they decide. So Voted. Councilor Hoyer motioned that the Council be provided with an update on the change orders and the costs associated with them relative to title nine. Councilor Fiore requested that this report be provided prior to the Committee on Public Property meeting in two weeks. Councilor Croteau motioned to add the Project Manager Gilbane and the Architect. Councilor Costa-Hanlon stated she had previously requested the change orders in the original \$120 million and Councilor Costa-Hanlon. The Mayor stated he would provide it to the Council. So Voted.**

Petitions and Claims:

Petition submitted by George Howe requesting a renewal of his Temporary Fixed Vendor License -DBA- Holy Spirit Association for UOWC to sell flowers at Grampy's on the corner of Weir and High Streets. **Motion was made to refer to the Committee on Police and License and the Police Chief. 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 Costa-Hanlon asked the Mayor if he had the opportunity to send the RIF for the Green Communities Act. The Mayor stated he emailed it and will do so again.

Councilor Pottier requested an update on the Somerset Avenue project. The Mayor stated a significant portion from the point they left off last year to Memorial Park will be complete.

Councilor Pottier stated he has received complaints from citizens being charged a \$25.00 late fee when they pay their excise tax bills after the deadline. The Mayor stated that the Council voted to approve this fee recently.

Councilor Buffington motioned that the Department of Public Works to fill-in the potholes and craters on Howard Street and Lincoln Street. So Voted.

Councilor Buffington motioned that the City Solicitor inform what the appraisal was to round the corner of the Taunton Green and Weir Street. So Voted.

Councilor Croteau motioned the Mayor's Office provide a copy of the financial report on the Waste Energy Project in the Industrial Park as to the legal and consulting costs going back to the first contract issued to CDM to date. So Voted.

Councilor Croteau motioned that the issue of dumping in the Mill River, along Warren Street be referred to the Mayor's Office, TEMA and the Conservation Commission. So Voted.

Councilor Croteau motioned that the condition of Round Street be referred to the DPW to repair as portions of it have become impassable. So Voted.

Councilor Hoye motioned that the DPW repair the area of Grant Street over the plate. So Voted.

Council President Pottier began presiding over the meeting at 10:47 PM.

At this time, a discussion on the Administrative Leave of the City Clerk began. **Motion was made to invite Ms. Blackwell and her representation into the enclosure. So Voted.** Councilor Barbour expressed thanks to the Council for allowing a discussion. He is not questioning any votes taken. It has been three weeks and the process has not hit the ground yet. An independent person has not been chosen to audit or investigate this matter. It will likely take weeks to review this matter. Councilor Barbour stated that he is not sure if anyone realized the impact on the office the decision to place the City Clerk on leave would have. Councilor Barbour stated he wanted to have a discussion on any

timeframe to restore Ms. Blackwell back to work. Councilor Barbour stated he does not want any investigation to stop, but feels that the City Clerk's Office does not have any pertinent information pertaining to this case. He sees the strain on the department and does not feel the City Clerk's Office has information that could cause any cross-contamination. He is a proponent to return her at some point. He is not saying to preclude her or anyone else from the investigation. Attorney Kaplan requested that if discussion were to take place on Ms. Blackwell that it must be in executive session. The City Solicitor stated that his position is that the discussion of the continuation of administrative leave with pay could take place in open session as there are specific requirements in Chapter 39 Section 23b when to enter executive session when discussing reputation, character, physical/mental competence of an individual as opposed to professional competence or charges or disciplinary action against an employee. None of these appear to be met with the discussion for tonight. When the notice was sent, the impression was that the content was to discuss any resolution to the situation of administrative leave or to continue it and the letter was sent as a cautionary basis. Therefore, the discussion is to be held in open session. The City Solicitor stated that the Council can only discuss reconsidering the motion of administrative leave with pay. Attorney Kaplan stated that the letter did not indicate it was sent as a cautionary basis. He further requested that since no one can guarantee what will be said, he requesting entering into executive session. Councilor Fiore stated his concern is that if they are in open session, he does not see anything being accomplished in this meeting. If the Council goes into executive session, he feels that a timeline can be established. **Councilor Barbour motioned to enter into executive session. On a roll call vote, nine Councilors present, four Councilors voting in favor, five Councilors voting in opposition. Voting in favor were Councilors Babour, Carr, Croteau, and Fiore. Voting in opposition were Councilors Buffington, Marshall, Pottier, Costa-Hanlon, and Hoye. Motion does not carry. Councilor Fiore motioned to excuse the parties.** Councilor Barbour stated if there is no appetite for discussion, timelines need to be established. He stated he feels it is not fair to keep this department understaffed and the Department Head out on paid leave. Councilor Fiore stated the committee that will deal with this matter hopes to hold its first meeting within a few days. He anticipates that after that meeting, priorities will be established and timelines as well. **So Voted. Councilor Barbour motioned to take immediate action to backfill the positions in the City Clerk's Office with someone other than a senior person. So Voted.**

New Business:

Councilor Barbour stated the Neighborhood Solid Waste Committee sent out a wonderful questionnaire with two magnets providing history of the Landfill and contact numbers. Therefore, in recognition of their excellent work, the Council send a letter of thanks. **So Voted.**

Councilor Barbour stated that a resident of Johnson Court expressed concern over the parking on that street when the clubs are open as ambulances and other vehicles cannot get through. Therefore that the DPW place signs in Johnson Court and the surrounding area of no parking and enforcement. **So Voted.**

Councilor Buffington stated that a resident expressed concern over speeding on Floral Street between the hours of 2PM and 3PM and motioned to refer to the Acting Police Chief for immediate radar. So Voted.

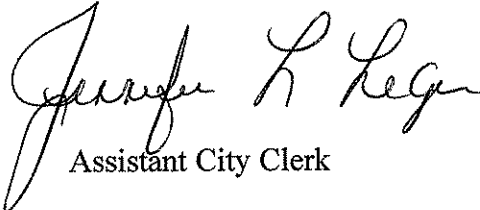
Councilor Costa-Hanlon motioned to refer to the Committee on Fires and Wires in two weeks to discuss progressive disciplinary proceedings for the Fire Chief. So Voted.

Councilor Costa-Hanlon motioned that the Mayor's Office place the contracts pertaining to private entities online as well as the entire City budget. So Voted.

Meeting adjourned at 11:10 P.M.

A true copy:

Attest:


Assistant City Clerk

CITY OF TAUNTON
MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
APRIL 14, 2009

THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND SALARIES

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

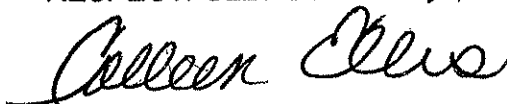
MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 5:41 P.M.

- 1. MEET TO REVIEW THE WEEKLY VOUCHERS & PAYROLLS FOR CITY DEPARTMENTS

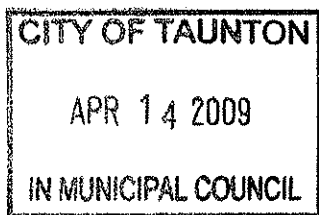
MOTION: MOVE APPROVAL

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 5:42 P.M.

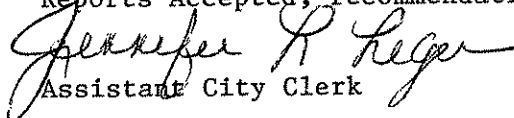
RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,



COLLEEN M. ELLIS
CLERK OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES



Reports Accepted, recommendations adopted.



Assistant City Clerk

CITY OF TAUNTON
MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
APRIL 14, 2009

THE COMMITTEE ON POLICE AND LICENSE

PRESENT WERE: COUNCILOR JASON BUFFINGTON, CHAIRMAN AND COUNCILORS HOYE AND BARBOUR. ALSO PRESENT WERE CITY SOLICITOR STEVEN TORRES, HUMAN RESOURCE DIRECTOR MARIA GOMES, ACTING POLICE CHIEF JOHN REARDON, DETECTIVE DENNIS SMITH, CAPTAIN EDWARD WALSH, SGT. COLBY CROSSMAN, SGT. MATTHEW MCCAFFREY, LT. PAUL RODERICK, SGT. ERIC NICHOLS, ATTORNEY LEIGH PANETTIERE AND WENDELL BRADFORD

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 5:56 P.M.

1. **MEET WITH THE ACTING POLICE CHIEF & DETECTIVE SMITH ON THE FOLLOWING APPLICATIONS FOR APPOINTMENT AS CONSTABLE:**
 - A. **WENDELL BRADFORD, 51 ANDREA LANE, TAUNTON – NEW**
DUE TO THE FACT THAT THE APPLICATION SUBMITTED BY MR. BRADFORD WAS FLAWED BECAUSE THE SIGNATURES REQUIRED ON IT WERE TO BE TAUNTON RESIDENTS AND THREE OUT OF THE FIVE WERE OUT OF TOWN RESIDENTS, THE POLICE DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDED DENYING THE APPLICATION. DISCUSSED WAS PREVIOUS DENIAL OF HIS APPLICATION DUE TO AN INCIDENT THAT HAD TAKEN PLACE. MR. BRADFORD STATED THAT HE HAS A JUDGMENT AGAINST THE PEOPLE INVOLVED AND THAT HE WAS NEVER CHARGED WITH ANYTHING. MR. BRADFORD WAS REQUESTED TO BRING IN THIS PAPERWORK. ALSO, A PROBATION CHECK WAS DONE AND SOME ITEMS DID SHOW UP ON IT. DETECTIVE SMITH WILL MEET WITH MR. BRADFORD TO GO OVER THE DOCUMENTS OBTAINED BY THE POLICE DEPARTMENT.
MOTION: TO CONTINUE THIS MATTER FOR TWO WEEKS. MR. BRADFORD IS TO DO A PROPER APPLICATION AND BRING IN THE REQUESTED DOCUMENTATION.
 - B. **LORRAINE FREDETTE, 48 BELMONT ST., TAUNTON – RENEWAL**
MOTION: MOVE APPROVAL FOR SCHOOL CROSSING ONLY
 - C. **EDWARD VASCONCELLOS, 10 NO. PLEASANT ST., TAUNTON – RENEWAL**
MOTION: MOVE APPROVAL FOR SCHOOL CROSSING ONLY
 - D. **PHILIP WARISH, 125 HIGHLAND ST., TAUNTON – NEW**
MOTION: MOVE APPROVAL – UNRESTRICTED

2. **MEET WITH THE ACTING POLICE CHIEF & DETECTIVE SMITH ON THE FOLLOWING PETITIONS FOR TEMPORARY FIXED VENDOR LICENSES:**
 - A. **STEVEN VILAS-BOAS, 106 BROADWAY, TAUNTON D/B/A PUSHING PETALS, 3 CAPE ROAD, TAUNTON – NEW**
MOTION: MOVE APPROVAL
 - B. **JAMES LYONS, JR., 12 HIGHVALE LANE, ANDOVER, MA D/B/A DANDI-LYONS, 649 COUNTY ST., TAUNTON – RENEWAL**
MOTION: MOVE APPROVAL

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THE COMMITTEE ON POLICE AND LICENSE – CONTINUED

3. **MEET WITH THE ACTING POLICE CHIEF & DETECTIVE SMITH ON PETITION OF SCOTT SOUZA, D/B/A THE NEW SOMERSET MOTORS, 303 BROADWAY TO TRANSFER CLASS II LICENSE TO AL TUCAN TO CONDUCT BUSINESS FOR THE CLASS II LICENSE AT 303 BROADWAY, TAUNTON**
MOTION: MOVE APPROVAL

4. **MEET WITH THE ACTING POLICE CHIEF & DETECTIVE SMITH ON REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION OF ACTION ON PETITION FOR CLASS II AUTO LICENSE FOR A & B REALTY TRUST, 288 BROADWAY, TAUNTON**
 LETTER DATED 4/13/09 OF ATTORNEY EDWARD ROSTER WAS READ IN WHICH HE REQUESTED THAT THE HEARING ON THE RECONSIDERATION OF A & B REALTY TRUST FOR A CLASS II LICENSE AT 288 BROADWAY, TAUNTON BE CONTINUED TO TUESDAY, APRIL 28, 2009 AT 5:45 P.M.
MOTION: SO MOVED TO CONTINUE HEARING. ALL PARTIES TO BE INVITED TO HEARING ON THAT DATE

5. **MEET WITH THE ACTING POLICE CHIEF TO DISCUSS THE NEW PROCEDURE FOR BACKGROUND CHECKS ON NEW OFFICERS**
 DISCUSSED AT LENGTH WAS THE NEED FOR A MORE THOROUGH PROCEDURE FOR BACKGROUND CHECKS FOR NEW HIRES. CAPTAIN WALSH DEVELOPED A PROCEDURE THAT IS QUITE THOROUGH WITH FIVE STEPS IN THE PRE-EMPLOYMENT BACKGROUND INVESTIGATIVE PROCESS: THIS WILL PROVIDE A CLEAR PICTURE OF THE PERSON. THE ACTING CHIEF FEELS THAT THE PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS INVESTIGATOR SHOULD BE RESPONSIBLE FOR DOING THIS CHECK BUT IF MORE THAN ONE PERSON IS WORKING ON IT THEY ALL MUST SIGN OFF.
 ALSO DISCUSSED WAS THAT THE COUNCIL WOULD LIKE TO RECEIVE SOME TYPE OF WRITTEN REPORT FOR THEIR REVIEW WHEN THE PERSON IS INTERVIEWED BY THEM.
 IT WAS REQUESTED THAT THE POLICE DEPARTMENT MEET WITH THE HUMAN RESOURCE DIRECTOR TO REVIEW THE PROPOSED BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION PROCEDURES.
 IT WAS ALSO REQUESTED THAT THE HUMAN RESOURCE DEPARTMENT CONSIDER A SIMILAR APPLICATION FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.
 FURTHER DISCUSSED WAS THE NEED TO REVIEW THE CONSTABLE APPLICATION SO THAT NO PROBLEMS ARISE WITH INFORMATION ON THAT APPLICATION.
 THE POLICE DEPARTMENT WAS ASKED TO LOOK AT ADDING THE STATEMENT THAT THE APPLICATION IS SIGNED UNDER THE PAINS AND PENALTIES OF PERJURY AND TO REVIEW THE NEW PROCEDURE & APPLICATION SUBMITTED BY CAPTAIN WALSH WITH THE HUMAN RESOURCE DIRECTOR..
MOTION: TO HAVE THE POLICE DEPARTMENT REVIEW THE APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT AS CONSTABLE AND COME BACK WITH THEIR RECOMMENDATIONS BEFORE COMMITTEE IN THREE WEEKS.

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THE COMMITTEE ON POLICE AND LICENSE – CONTINUED

IT WAS NOTED THAT IF A CANDIDATE FOR THE DEPARTMENT IS TAKEN OFF THE LAYOFF LIST OR A TRANSFER LIST, A BACKGROUND CHECK SHOULD STILL BE DONE.

7. MEET TO REVIEW MATTERS IN FILE

SGT. COLBY CROSSMAN PROVIDED AN UNPAID DETAIL INVOICE REPORT AS OF 4/1/09. HE REPORTED THAT HE IS IN THE PROCESS OF CHASING SOME PAST DUE ACCOUNTS AND SENDING OUT NEW BILLS. HE ALSO STATED THAT SOME OF THE OUTSTANDING BALANCES ON THE LIST FROM CITY DEPARTMENTS MAY BE DUE TO RECORD KEEPING AND HE WILL BE CHECKING ON THESE. THERE ARE SOME THAT HAVE BEEN BROUGHT TO COURT ALREADY, SOME OF THE COMPANIES ARE OUT OF BUSINESS AND SOME ARE BANKRUPT. HE SAID CURRENTLY THERE ARE 10 BANKRUPT COMPANIES THAT ARE IN SMALL CLAIMS COURT.

DISCUSSED WAS IF ANYONE OWES A SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF MONEY THEY SHOULD NOT BE ALLOWED TO USE A LINE OF CREDIT WITH THE POLICE DEPARTMENT – THEY SHOULD BE MADE TO PAY.

ALSO DISCUSSED WAS SENDING THIS ISSUE TO ORDINANCE COMMITTEE TO DEVELOP A POLICY AND TO DISCUSS CHARGING INTEREST ON UNPAID BALANCES. ALSO TO LOOK AT SOME KIND OF "SHUT OFF" PROCEDURE IN THAT IF DETAILS ARE NOT PAID, THEY WILL NOT BE PROVIDED WITH ONE UNTIL IT IS. IT WAS NOTED THAT FIVE CONTRACTORS OWE SIGNIFICANT MONEY, THAT THEY WERE ON CITY JOBS WHEN THIS WAS ACCRUED, AND THAT THE POLICE DETAIL EXPENSES ARE INCLUDED IN THE CONTRACT. THEREFORE, THE CITY IS PAYING THE CONTRACTOR AND THE CONTRACTOR IS NOT PAYING FOR POLICE DETAILS. DISCUSSED WAS THE NEED TO LOOK AT HAVING A MECHANISM THAT ALL POLICE DETAILS ARE PAID BEFORE PAYING THE CONTRACTOR. ALSO SUGGESTED WAS DISCUSSING AT A LATER DATE HAVING AN ESCROW ACCOUNT THAT THE CITY COULD DRAW OFF OF FOR POLICE DETAILS FOR THOSE COMPANIES THAT USE DETAILS OFTEN.

IT WAS NOTED THAT THERE ARE SOME BARS AND ENTERTAINMENT ESTABLISHMENTS THAT OWE FOR DETAILS.

MOTION: THAT ANYONE THAT OWES MORE THAN \$2,000 FOR DETAILS FOR A BAR OR ENTERTAINMENT ESTABLISHMENT BE ON A C.O.D. BASIS, MEANING THAT THEY HAVE TO PAY PRIOR TO THE EVENT OR REQUIRED DETAIL, WITH CERTIFIED FUNDS. NOTED WAS ONE ESTABLISHMENT THAT OWES OVER \$10,000 ON THE LIST AND THE COMMITTEE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW WHETHER THEIR LIQUOR LICENSE WAS RENEWED AND IF SO HOW MUCH MONEY THEY OWED AT THAT TIME.

DISCUSSED WAS JUST PICKING AN ARBITRARY NUMBER. ALSO THAT UNDER THE DIRECTION OF THE PRIOR CHAIRMAN OF THE LICENSE COMMISSION, FROM WHOM THESE BARS GET THEIR LIQUOR LICENSES, IT WAS REQUESTED THAT AN ORDINANCE BE CREATED THAT SAID IF POLICE DETAILS ARE OWED THAT IT COULD BE A BASIS FOR DENIAL OF RENEWAL OF THE LICENSE.

ABOVE MOTION WAS NOT SECONDED.

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THE COMMITTEE ON POLICE AND LICENSE – CONTINUED

MOTION: TABLE THIS MATTER FOR TWO WEEKS. SGT. CROSSMAN IS TO PLACE THEM (BARS AND ENTERTAINMENT ESTABLISHMENTS) ON NOTICE THAT THESE BILLS ARE UNACCEPTABLE TO THE CITY AND IN THE NEXT FEW WEEKS IF THESE BILLS ARE NOT PAID DOWN THEN ACTION IS GOING TO BE TAKEN BY THE COMMITTEE. ALSO SGT. CROSSMAN IS TO DEFINE WHAT IS MORE THAN 30 DAYS OLD ON EACH ACCOUNT. ALSO THAT A RESPONSE FROM THE CITY AS TO THE REASON WHY THE CITY DEPARTMENT POLICE DETAILS ARE STILL NOT PAID.

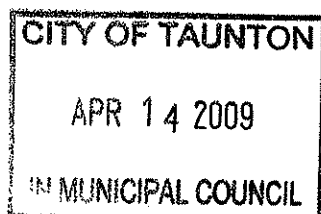
MOTION: REFER TO THE D.P.W. COMMISSIONER AND D.P.W. COMMITTEE TO EXAMINE PUTTING DIRECTLY INTO THE CONTRACT FOR COMPANIES DOING WORK FOR THE CITY THAT BEFORE ANY MONEY IS PAID OUT THAT THE CITY TAKES THEIR PORTION OF THE DETAIL MONEY BACK.

MEETING RECESSED AT 7:09 P.M.

MEETING CALLED BACK FROM RECESS AT 7:50 P.M.

6. **MEET TO DISCUSS TAUNTON POLICE SUPERVISORY GRIEVANCES**
THREE GRIEVANCES WILL BE HEARD. ONE WAS FILED WITH CHIEF O'BERG AND TWO WITH ACTING CHIEF REARDON. ALL THREE WERE REFERRED TO COUNCIL. DISCUSSED WAS HAVING ACTING CHIEF REARDON SIT IN ON THE GRIEVANCES AND THE UNION STATED THEY DID NOT HAVE A PROBLEM WITH IT. ACTING CHIEF REARDON SAID HE DID NOT FEEL THERE WAS ANY REASON HE COULD NOT REPRESENT THE CITY SIDE OF THE GRIEVANCE INVOLVING LT. WARISH.
THE UNION HAD NO OBJECTION TO ACTING CHIEF REARDON REPRESENTING THE CITY SIDE ON THIS GRIEVANCE.
THE UNION CHOSE TO HAVE THESE GRIEVANCES HEARD IN EXECUTIVE SESSION.
- MOTION:** ON A ROLL CALL VOTE, ALL COUNCILORS PRESENT VOTED TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION
- MOTION:** ON A ROLL CALL VOTE, ALL COUNCILORS PRESENT VOTED TO COME OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION
- FIVE VOTES WERE TAKEN IN EXECUTIVE SESSION.**

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:24 P.M.



RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

Colleen Ellis

COLLEEN M. ELLIS
CLERK OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Reports accepted, recommendations adopted.

Jennifer Regan
Assistant City Clerk

CITY OF TAUNTON
MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
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THE COMMITTEE ON FIRES AND WIRES

PRESENT WERE: COUNCILOR DANIEL BARBOUR, CHAIRMAN AND
COUNCILORS CROTEAU AND POTTIER. ALSO PRESENT
WAS FIRE CHIEF PADELDFORD

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 8:31 P.M.

**1. MEET WITH THE FIRE CHIEF FOR A REPORT AS TO WHETHER THE DIVE
TEAM WAS IN FACT OUT OF SERVICE FOR TWO MONTHS**

UNDATED LETTER OF FIRE DEPARTMENT DIVE MASTER RUSSELL REED WAS
READ IN RESPONSE TO A REQUEST MADE BY THE FIRE CHIEF AS TO WHY THE
T.F.D. DIVE TEAM WAS UNABLE TO RESPOND TO ANY WATER EMERGENCIES
THAT REQUIRED THE USE OF SCUBA GEAR FOR APPROXIMATELY TWO
MONTHS, SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER OF 2008.

DURING THIS TIME PERIOD THE EQUIPMENT HAD TO BE SENT OUT FOR
NEEDED AND OVERDUE INSPECTION AND MAINTENANCE. ALL EQUIPMENT WAS
SENT OUT AT THE SAME TIME BECAUSE IT WAS ALL ALLOWED TO RUN PAST
THE SCHEDULED MAINTENANCE DATES.

MR. REED MET WITH CHIEF PADELDFORD SHORTLY AFTER HE BECAME CHIEF TO
DISCUSS THE OPERATIONAL AND MAINTENANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE
DIVE GEAR AND THE NEED FOR TRAINING FOR THE TEAM. AS DIVE MASTER
MR. REED WAS RESPONSIBLE TO MAKE SURE THE EQUIPMENT WAS KEPT UP
TO DATE FOR INSPECTIONS AND MAINTENANCE AND WAS GIVEN FOUR HOURS
OF PAY EVERY FOUR MONTHS AS COMPENSATION. AT THIS MEETING, MR.
REED WAS INFORMED THAT HE WOULD NO LONGER BE ELIGIBLE FOR ANY PAY
TO PERFORM THESE DUTIES AND WAS INSTRUCTED NOT TO PERFORM THESE
DUTIES ON HIS OWN TIME. HE WAS TOLD THERE WERE NO FUNDS AVAILABLE.
IN SEPTEMBER OF 2008, MR. REED TOOK IT UPON HIMSELF TO CHECK THE
CONDITION OF THE DIVE GEAR. ALL OF THE BREATHING TANKS WERE
OVERDUE FOR VISUAL AND HYDRO TESTING. NONE OF THE REGULATORS HAD
BEEN SENT OUT FOR ANNUAL MAINTENANCE FOR OVER THREE YEARS. THE
SITUATION WAS UNACCEPTABLE AND MR. REED INFORMED THE CHIEF AND
SUGGESTED THAT UNTIL ALL THE GEAR WAS INSPECTED AND CERTIFIED THE
DIVE TEAM COULD NOT PERFORM ANY DUTIES THAT WOULD REQUIRE SCUBA
EQUIPMENT.

ARRANGEMENTS WERE QUICKLY MADE WITH A LOCAL DIVE SHOP TO SERVICE
AND INSPECT ALL THE GEAR. MR. REED WAS ONLY ALLOWED TO DELIVER AND
PICK UP THE GEAR FROM THE DIVE SHOP WHILE HE WAS ON DUTY, WHICH
RESULTED IN THIS WORK TAKING TWO MONTHS TO COMPLETE.

MR. REED IS CURRENTLY IN THE PROCESS OF PUTTING TOGETHER A TRAINING
EVOLUTION FOR THE MEMBERS OF THE DIVE TEAM AND THE SUPPORT TEAM.

MOTION: LETTER TO BE PART OF THE RECORD

THE CHIEF STATED THAT HE RECEIVED THE LETTER FROM MR. REED TODAY,
HE MET WITH MR. REED AND SUBMITTED A LETTER TO THE COMMITTEE DATED
4/14/09 WHICH STATED THAT ACCORDING TO MR. REED'S LETTER IN
SEPTEMBER, 2008 HE INFORMED THE CHIEF THAT THE BREATHING TANKS
WERE OVERDUE FOR BOTH VISUAL AND HYDRO TESTING. MR. REED
SUGGESTED THAT UNTIL ALL OF THE GEAR WAS INSPECTED AND CERTIFIED
THE DIVE TEAM COULD NOT PERFORM ANY DUTIES THAT WOULD REQUIRE

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SCUBA EQUIPMENT. IT WAS AT THIS TIME THAT ALL DIVE OPERATIONS WERE HALTED FOR THE TEAM.

AN INVOICE DATED 9/18/08 WAS WRITTEN BY A LOCAL DIVE SHOP THAT CONDUCTED THESE INSPECTIONS. THE CHIEF'S OFFICE RECEIVED THE INVOICE ON 10/3/08. MR. REED INDICATES IN HIS LETTER THE PROCESS TOOK TWO MONTHS TO COMPLETE. NO OTHER DOCUMENTATION IS AVAILABLE. THE LETTER FURTHER STATES THAT THE CHIEF HAS SPOKEN TO MR. REED AT LEAST TWICE OVER THE PAST TWO MONTHS REGARDING TRAINING. MR. REED IS STILL WORKING ON A LESSON PLAN AND A SCHEDULE FOR THAT TRAINING. HE ASSURES ME HE WILL HAVE THAT INFORMATION AVAILABLE SHORTLY.

MOTION: LETTER TO BE PART OF THE RECORD

THE CHIEF FURTHER STATED THAT HE FEELS THE PRIMARY SERVICE OF THE DEPARTMENT IS TO FIGHT FIRES. HE IS TRYING TO KEEP ALL APPARATUS IN SERVICE AND MINIMIZE OVERTIME.

MOTION: THE DIVE GEAR WAS PREVIOUSLY ON A ROTATING SCHEDULE OF MAINTENANCE SO THAT NO MORE THAN 25% OF THE GEAR WAS OUT OF INVENTORY AT ANY GIVEN TIME. NOW IT IS GOING OUT ONE TIME PER YEAR. THE COMMITTEE WOULD LIKE, IN WRITING FROM FIREFIGHTER REED A REPORT AS TO WHETHER SENDING OUT THE EQUIPMENT ONE TIME PER YEAR WILL NOT RESULT IN THE DIVE TEAM GOING OUT OF SERVICE.

MOTION: A REPORT IS TO BE PROVIDED IN ONE AS TO HOW OFTEN TRAINING FOR THE DIVE TEAM SHOULD TAKE PLACE.

2. MEET WITH THE FIRE CHIEF FOR A REPORT AS TO WHY THERE WAS NEVER A PROBLEM WITH CYLINDERS FROM 1993-2007, WHAT THE CURRENT PROBLEMS WITH THE AIR CYLINDERS ARE AND WHY DOES IT TAKE SO LONG TO FIX THE PROBLEMS

LETTER OF FIRE CHIEF DATED 4/14/09 WAS READ. THE LETTER STATED THAT HE DOES NOT KNOW WHETHER OR NOT THERE WERE ANY PROBLEMS WITH AIR CYLINDERS DURING THE PERIOD OF 1993-2007. HE HAS EXAMINED THE FILES IN HIS OFFICE AND HAS BEEN UNABLE TO LOCATE ANY RECORDS REGARDING SCBA INSPECTIONS OR TANK MAINTENANCE. HE REQUESTED THE MECHANIC TO PROVIDE HIM WITH ANY RECORDS HE MAY HAVE REGARDING THIS EQUIPMENT AND HAS NOT YET RECEIVED THEM.

HE HAS ALSO SPOKEN WITH INDUSTRIAL PROTECTION SERVICES REGARDING RECORDS THEY MAY KEEP AND HE WAS TOLD THAT THEY TRY TO MAINTAIN RECORDS HOWEVER RECORDKEEPING IS NOT A SERVICE THEY PROVIDE THEIR CUSTOMERS.

HE ALSO STATED THAT TO THE BEST OF HIS KNOWLEDGE THERE ARE NOT ANY PROBLEMS WITH THE 200 AIR CYLINDER INVENTORY AND THE FORTY SCBA BREATHING APPARATUS ARE SCHEDULED TO BE INSPECTED ON APRIL 23 & 24.

MOTION: LETTER TO BE PART OF THE RECORD

THE CHIEF ALSO REPORTED THAT HE IS LOOKING TO CHANGE CYLINDERS FROM 30 MINUTES TO 45 MINUTES WHICH COULD REDUCE THE NUMBER OF

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CYLINDERS NEEDED. THE CITY'S INVENTORY IS QUITE LARGE FOR THE SIZE OF THE CITY.

DISCUSSED WAS WHETHER THE CITY SHOULD GO OUT TO BID AND WHETHER IT COULD SAVE MONEY.

MOTION: IN ONE MONTH RECOMMENDATION TO BE PROVIDED REGARDING IN 2010, HOW MANY CYLINDERS WILL BE PURCHASED AND SHOULD IT GO OUT TO BID.

IT WAS ALSO NOTED THAT WHEN THE CITY PURCHASED A TRUCK IN 2002 IT WAS EQUIPPED WITH 30 CYLINDERS SO THERE WON'T BE A NEED TO BUY AS MANY IN 2010.

THE COMMITTEE REQUESTED THAT WITH EVERYTHING UNDER THE CHIEF'S DOMAIN THAT REQUIRES INSPECTIONS AND MAINTENANCE, THERE BE A PROCEDURE TO MAKE SURE THAT THESE ARE DONE.

MOTION: THAT AN UPDATE BE PROVIDED IN ONE MONTH ON THE PROGRESS OF A LOG BOOK FOR INSPECTION SCHEDULES FOR ALL EQUIPMENT IN THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

3. MEET WITH THE FIRE CHIEF FOR HIS REPORT REGARDING COST FOR BRASS TAGS AND AN ESTIMATE ON THE LIFE EXPECTANCY OF PLASTIC TAGS AND BRASS TAGS

LETTER DATED 4/13/09 OF CAPTAIN STEVEN LAVIGNE WAS READ IN WHICH HE STATED THAT WHEN THE ACCOUNTABILITY SYSTEM WAS FIRST PROPOSED IT WAS RECOMMENDED THAT BRASS TAGS BE USED, BOTH FOR DURABILITY AND ABILITY TO ENGRAVE IT WITH WHATEVER INFORMATION DEEMED APPROPRIATE. THE CHIEF FELT THAT THE BRASS TAGS WOULD NOT BE LARGE ENOUGH AND AN ALTERNATIVE PROPOSAL WITH LARGE ENOUGH TAGS WAS DONE THROUGH THE POLICE DEPARTMENT. THESE ARE THIN PLASTIC ID BADGES. THE MAIN CONCERN WITH THESE IS DURABILITY. PRICES WERE OBTAINED FROM TWO LOCAL VENDORS FOR 1 ½ ' AND 2" ROUND BRASS TAGS WHICH DO NOT INCLUDE A SNAP CLIP OR BRASS RING TO ATTACH CLIP TO TAG. THEY ARE MANNY'S HARDWARE -1 1/2" - \$1.19 EACH, 2" tag - \$1.59 EACH. 130 ARE NEEDED. THE OTHER WAS GRAINGER WHICH SELLS IN BULK ONLY SO PRICES PER 100 WERE \$40.28 FOR 1 1/2 ". THE 2" TAGS ARE NOT AVAILABLE THROUGH GRAINGER.

CAPTAIN LEVIGNE ALSO OBTAINED A PRICE FOR AN ALTERNATIVE THAT IS DURABLE AND LARGE ENOUGH TO HOLD THE REQUIRED INFORMATION. IT IS OFFERED BY MY-LOR, INC. THE TAG IS 1" X 3", IT IS ALUMINUM AND COMES WITH THE SNAP CLIP AND ATTACHMENT RING. THE COST IS \$6.50 EACH. THE DEPARTMENT NEEDS APPROXIMATELY 125 TAGS WITH A TOTAL COST OF \$812.50.

MOTION: LETTER TO BE PART OF THE RECORD

LETTER DATED 4/14/ OF FIRE CHIEF WAS ALSO READ REGARDING THE TAGS. HE STATED THAT CAPTAIN LAVIGNE PROVIDED ESTIMATES FOR BRASS AND ALUMINUM TAGS. 1 ½ INCH TAGS ARE \$1.19 EACH FROM ONE VENDER AND \$0.42 EACH FROM ANOTHER. 2" TAGS ARE \$1.59 EACH. CAPTAIN LAVIGNE OFFERED AN ADDITIONAL OPTION OF 1" X 3" ALUMINUM TAG AT \$6.50 EACH. HE FURTHER STATED THAT THEY HAVE HAD THE CURRENT PLASTIC TAGS IN SERVICE FOR A SHORT PERIOD OF TIME. IT'S LIFE EXPECTANCY CANNOT BE

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ESTIMATED BASED ON THE LIMITED USE. HE ALSO STATED THAT THE ACCOUNTABILITY SYSTEM IS IN PLACE AND OPERATING. IT IS SERVING ITS INTENDED PURPOSE.

THE FIRE CHIEF ALSO WROTE IN THE LETTER THAT THERE IS A SERIOUS FINANCIAL CHALLENGE AHEAD IN FY 2010 BUDGET. BEFORE SPENDING ADDITIONAL TIME ANALYZING EACH PART OF THIS PROGRAM AND SPENDING ADDITIONAL FUNDS ADJUSTING A PROGRAM RECENTLY IMPLEMENTED AND BY ALL ACCOUNTS IS WORKING, HE BELIEVES IT IS REASONABLE TO OPERATE THIS SYSTEM FOR ONE YEAR AND REVIEW ITS STATUS AT THAT TIME.

MOTION: LETTER TO BE PART OF THE RECORD

4. MEET WITH THE FIRE CHIEF FOR REPORT ON THE FIRE DEPARTMENT MECHANIC'S INSPECTION

LETTER OF FIRE CHIEF DATED 4/14/09 WAS READ IN WHICH HE INFORMED THE COMMITTEE THAT HE HAS NOT RECEIVED A WRITTEN REPORT FROM THE MECHANIC ON EITHER ENGINE 9 OR ENGINE 1. IT IS HIS UNDERSTANDING THAT ENGINE 9 IS NOW IN NEED OF TRANSFER CASE REPAIRS AND FUEL GAUGE REPAIRS.

HE FURTHER STATES THAT MR. PERRY MET YESTERDAY WITH MR. REARDON FROM GREENWOOD MOTORS REGARDING REPAIRS TO ENGINE 1. MR. REARDON TOOK A NUMBER OF PICTURES AND WAS GOING TO BRING THEM BACK TO GREENWOOD FOR REVIEW. HE DID STATE THAT HE DID NOT SEE ANYTHING THAT WOULD KEEP ENGINE 1 OUT OF SERVICES

MOTION: LETTER TO BE PART OF THE RECORD

IT WAS REPORTED BY THE MECHANIC THAT HE IS WAITING ON PARTS FOR ENGINE 9 AND THAT HE HOPES, IF PARTS ARRIVE, THAT IT WILL BE IN SERVICE BY THE END OF THE WEEK.

REGARDING ENGINE 1, THE MECHANIC HAS SOME CONCERNS WITH THE VEHICLE. GREENWOOD FEELS THAT IT IS SERVICABLE. THE MECHANIC WANTS THE ADJUSTER TO LOOK AT THE VEHICLE AGAIN. HE FEELS THAT THERE IS A SAFETY CONCERN WITH THE VEHICLE AND WILL NOT SIGN OFF ON IT.

MOTION: REFER THE MATTER OF ENGINE ONE TO THE MAYOR'S OFFICE, THE CITY SOLICITOR AND RISK MANAGER FOR REPORT IN WRITING FOR NEXT WEEK.

5. MEET WITH THE FIRE CHIEF TO RECEIVE REPORT FROM BUILDING SUPERINTENDENT AS TO WHEN THE WORK AT THE EAST TAUNTON FIRE STATION WILL BE DONE

LETTER DATED 4/14/09 OF BUILDING SUPERINTENDENT WAYNE WALKDEN WAS READ IN WHICH HE STATED THAT A PURCHASE ORDER WAS APPROVED BY THE MAYOR ON 8/26/08 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$11,718.00 COVERING THE COST OF MATERIALS FOR A FIRE ALARM SYSTEM AT E. TAUNTON FIRE STATION AND CARBON MONOXIDE DETECTORS FOR THE WEIR, BAY STREET, AND OAKLAND STATIONS. THE MATERIALS WILL BE PURCHASED THIS WEEK.

THIS WORK WILL BE SCHEDULED SOMETIME AFTER SUBSTANTIAL WORK IS COMPLETED AT TAUNTON HIGH SCHOOL IN ORDER FOR THE SCHOOL TO BE OPENED IN THE FALL AND THE FOLLOWING PROJECTS HAVE BEEN COMPLETED PRIOR:

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- A. NEW FIRE ALARM SYSTEM FOR CENTRAL FIRE STATION
- B. NEW FIRE ALARM SYSTEM FOR THE TAUNTON PUBLIC LIBRARY
- C. NEW FIRE ALARM CONTROL PANEL FOR BARNUM SCHOOL
- D. NEW FIRE ALARM SYSTEM FOR BENNETT SCHOOL
- E. ANNUAL FIRE ALARM AND SPRINKLER SYSTEMS FOR ALL SCHOOLS
- F. NEW SECURITY CAMERA SYSTEM INSTALLED FOR THREE CITY PARKS

MOTION: LETTER TO BE PART OF THE RECORD

MOTION: REQUEST FOR REPORT REGARDING IF FISCAL YEAR IS OVER BEFORE PROJECT IS FINISHED, WILL IT BE A PROBLEM. ALSO A TIMELINE IS REQUESTED AS TO WHETHER THIS WORK WILL BE DONE THIS FISCAL YEAR OR NEXT FISCAL YEAR. ALSO, REPORT AS TO WHETHER THE OTHER WORK IS DONE AT THE EAST TAUNTON FIRE STATION.

6. MEET TO REVIEW MATTERS IN FILE.

A. THE FIRE CHIEF PROVIDED A LETTER REGARDING A REQUEST FOR A REPORT ON WHAT THE \$10,000 TRANSFERRED ON 3/31/09 WAS ORIGINALLY BUDGETED FOR. HE STATED THAT THE FY 2009 BUDGET CONTAINED A LINE ITEM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$19,000.00 FOR PURCHASING A DEPUTY AND PAYROLL SOFTWARE PACKAGE. LAST JULY OR AUGUST, THE COMMITTEE DECIDED NOT TO ALLOW THE CHIEF TO CONTINUE THIS PROJECT AND INSTEAD DIRECTED HIM TO BEGIN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE TEL-E-STAFF AND FILE PRO OPTION. LAST SEPTEMBER \$4,116.00 WAS TRANSFERRED TO PAY THE 2008 ANNUAL SERVICE AND SUPPORT AGREEMENT FOR TEL-E-STAFF. ON 2/20/09 \$7,142.00 WAS TRANSFERRED TO PAY THE 2009 ANNUAL SERVICE AND SUPPORT AGREEMENT AND \$3,000 TO PAY FOR SOME OF THE OVERTIME NEEDED BY DEPUTY NASTRI AND DEPUTY SYLVIA TO COMPLETE REQUIRED WORK PRIOR TO THEIR TRIP TO CALIFORNIA IN MAY. THERE REMAINS ABOUT \$4,742.00 IN THE LINE ITEM. HE WILL BE SUBMITTING A TRANSFER REQUEST FOR COSTS RELATED TO THE CALIFORNIA TRIP AS WELL AS OVERTIME EXPENSES THAT WILL INCUR THE WEEK AFTER THE TRIP.

MOTION: LETTER TO BE PART OF THE RECORD

IT WAS REPORTED THAT THE TEL-E-STAFF PROGRAM IS PRESENTLY NOT OPERATIONAL AND WON'T BE UNTIL THE THIRD OR FOURTH QUARTER OF THIS YEAR.

B. THE CHIEF STATED THAT THIS COMMITTEE AND THE COUNCIL OPERATE UNDER A SERIES OF RULES THAT DIRECT IT TO CONDUCT ITS BUSINESS WITH A REASONABLE LEVEL OF PROFESSIONALISM. LAST WEEK DURING THE EXECUTIVE SESSION, PARTIES WERE ALLOWED TO GET OUT OF HAND AND MAKE REMARKS THAT SOME MIGHT CONSIDER BORDER ON SLANDER.

HE IS CERTAIN THIS IS NOT THE INTENT OF THE CHAIRMAN OR ANY MEMBER OF THIS COMMITTEE OR COUNCIL. THIS WAS SIMPLY ANOTHER EXAMPLE OF ALLOWING SOMEONE TO GET CARRIED AWAY WITH HIMSELF.

SUCH OUTBURSTS DO HOWEVER, MAKE IT VERY DIFFICULT TO CONTINUE A MEANINGFUL DISCUSSION.

THE FIRE CHIEF FURTHER STATED THAT HE SIMPLY REQUESTS THAT ALL

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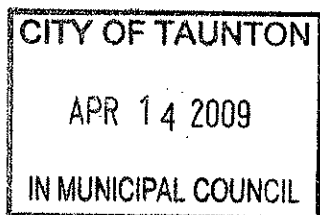
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PARTIES STRIVE TO CONDUCT THEMSELVES IN A MANNER THAT FOLLOWS THIS BODIES RULES, AND THAT WE STRIVE TO CONDUCT OURSELVES IN A MANNER APPROPRIATE FOR THIS BODY.

MOTION: STATEMENTS OF FIRE CHIEF TO BE PART OF THE RECORD
COUNCILOR CROTEAU STATED THAT HE HOPES THAT THERE IS NOT A NEED TO MICROMANAGE THE FIRE DEPARTMENT IN ORDER TO PROTECT THE SAFETY OF THE RESIDENTS OF TAUNTON.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 9:30 P.M.



RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

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

COLLEEN M. ELLIS
CLERK OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Reports accepted, recommendations adopted.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jennifer R. Regan".
Assistant City Clerk

CITY OF TAUNTON
MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
APRIL 14, 2009

THE COMMITTEE ON THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

PRESENT WERE: COUNCILOR THOMAS HOYE, CHAIRMAN AND COUNCILORS
BUFFINGTON, CROTEAU, MARSHALL AND CARR. ALSO
PRESENT WAS MAYOR CHARLES CROWLEY

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 9:35 P.M.

**1. MEET WITH THE MAYOR TO DISCUSS FUNDING FOR SEWER EXPANSION
PROJECTS**

THE PROJECTS INCLUDE DUFFY DRIVE AREA, DAVENPORT TERRACE AND
WINTHROP STREET. THE PROPOSAL IS TO DO WINTHROP STREET IN PHASES
BEGINNING WITH THE AREA FROM WARNER BOULEVARD TO FRANKS GOOD
TIME LOUNGE ON WINTHROP STREET, WHICH WOULD ALLOW THE CITY TO
TAKE ADVANTAGE OF COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THIS AREA.

100% OF THE COST OF THESE PROJECTS WILL BE RECOUPED THROUGH
BETTERMENTS. IT WAS NOTED THAT THE APPLICATION MENTIONS MATTHEWS
LANDING IN EAST TAUNTON, BUT THEY WILL DO TITLE V THROUGH THE OFFICE
OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

THESE AREAS WILL BE DONE AS ONE BID PACKAGE. DAVENPORT TERRACE
WILL BE DONE INITIALLY, THEN WINTHROP STREET THEN DUFFY DRIVE AREA.
IT SHOULD TAKE ABOUT 1 ½ YEARS TO COMPLETE.

THE MAYOR REQUESTED A VOTE ON TWO LOAN ORDERS NEXT WEEK, ONE
FOR \$465,000.00 FOR THE DESIGN AND ENGINEERING COSTS AND THE OTHER
FOR \$8,331,000.00 TO DO THE WORK AGAIN IT WAS NOTED THAT THE ENTIRE
COST WOULD BE ROLLED INTO BETTERMENTS WHICH WOULD BE \$20,000 TO
\$25,000.

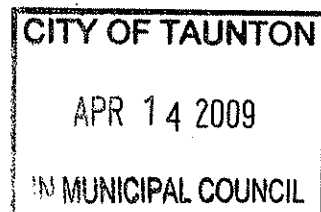
IT WAS FURTHER NOTED THAT RUNNING SEWER THROUGH EAST TAUNTON IS
NOT A PART OF THIS PROJECT. THE LOAN ORDER WILL BE ON THE COUNCIL
AGENDA NEXT WEEK. THERE IS MONEY IN THE LOAN ORDER FOR MATTHEWS
LANDING, BUT SINCE THEY ARE USING FUNDING THROUGH COMMUNITY AND
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, IF THERE IS ANY FUNDS LEFT, IT WOULD BE USED
FOR SOMETHING ELSE.

THE BETTERMENTS WILL BE VOTED ON WHEN THE CONSTRUCTION IS DONE -
IN ABOUT A YEAR AND A HALF.

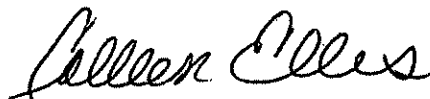
THE MAYOR ASKED FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE COMMITTEE IN HAVING THE
LOAN ORDERS ON THE AGENDA FOR NEXT WEEK.

MOTION: MOVE APPROVAL

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 9:56 P.M.

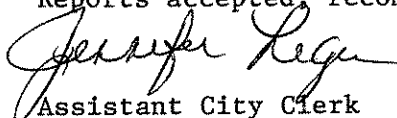


RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,



COLLEEN M. ELLIS
CLERK OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Reports accepted, recommendations adopted.



Assistant City Clerk



CITY OF TAUNTON

ORDER #40
FY 2009
APRIL 14, 2009

In Municipal Council 20.....

Ordered, That

**THE SUM OF FOUR HUNDRED THIRTY SEVEN
THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED SIXTY FOUR DOLLARS AND TWENTY FOUR CENTS
(\$437,764.24) BE AND HEREBY IS TRANSFERRED FROM STABILIZATION ACCOUNT NO.
84-145-3233**

**TO: BUILDING DEPARTMENT ACCOUNT NO. 1-493-202-5258 – REPAIR OF PUBLIC
BUILDINGS**

..... *Clerk.*



CITY OF TAUNTON

ORDER #41
FY 2009
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In Municipal Council 20.....

Ordered, That . THE SUM OF ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY THREE
THOUSAND TWELVE DOLLARS AND SEVENTY SIX CENTS (\$183,012.76) BE AND HEREBY
IS TRANSFERRED FROM SALE OF REAL ESTATE ACCOUNT NO. 24-121-3319

TO: BUILDING DEPARTMENT ACCOUNT NO. 1-493-202-5258 – REPAIR OF PUBLIC
BUILDINGS

..... *Clerk.*



CITY OF TAUNTON

ORDER #42
FY 2009
APRIL 14, 2009

In Municipal Council 20.....

Ordered, That

THE SUM OF THREE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED

SIXTEEN DOLLARS AND FORTY EIGHT CENTS (\$3,516.48) BE AND HEREBY IS

TRANSFERRED FROM RESERVE ACCOUNT NO. 1-132-202-5784

TO: FIRE DEPARTMENT ACCOUNT NO. 220-202-5788 – MEALS/TRAVEL ALLOWANCE

..... *Clerk.*