

City of Taunton Municipal Council Meeting Minutes

Temporary City Hall, 141 Oak Street, Taunton, MA Minutes, February 14, 2012 at 7:00 O'clock P.M.

Regular Meeting Mayor Thomas C. Hoye, Jr. presiding

A moment of silence was observed in memory of Linda Brady, former Assistant City Clerk who passed away this week.

Prayer was offered by the Mayor

Present at roll call were:

Councilor's Marshall, Medeiros, Costa-Hanlon, Pottier,

McCaul, Carr, Barbour

Councilors Cleary and Colton were absent

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

THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND SALARIES

1. Meet to review the weekly vouchers and payrolls for City departments.

Motion was made that the vouchers and payroll be approved by the full Municipal Council as a quorum is not available for the Committee on Finance and Salaries. So Voted.

Communications:

Com. from Senator Marc R. Pacheco to Chairwoman Maria F. Lopes as a follow-up to his communication to her and the Bristol County Commissioners in April 2011 regarding the reuse of the former Taunton District Court. Senator Pacheco states that he feels the best option for putting this historic building back to use would be to put it out to bid with deed restrictions to private developers. He feels that engaging the private sector would be the best way to rejuvenate this building as he does not foresee any state or federal funds being made available for renovations and he requests that the County move forward with this plan. **Motion was made to receive and place on file. So Voted.**

Com. from Ernest Cardoza, 5 New Carver St., Raynham extending an invitation to the Mayor and Municipal Council to take part in the Memorial Day Parade on Monday, May 28, 2012 beginning at 12:30 PM. Motion was made to refer to the Council President, the Mayor's Office to place this on the website, and notify the Police Chief, Fire Chief, and Ambulance Service. So Voted.

Com. from Scott Stipetic, 125 Malibu Drive, Taunton expressing his opposition to the proposed trash tax as he feels it singles out single dwelling units versus duplex units or multifamily homes. Motion was made to refer to the Committee on Solid Waste. So Voted.

Com. from Conservation Agent submitting a response on 274 Winthrop St., Planet Petroleum stating that Mr. Dbaib had complied with her request to move cars and she states that she is inspecting the property on a weekly basis to ensure no fluids are leaking onto the berm and to make sure no material is falling into the adjacent wetland in the rear. She requested that he clean up a few small patches of oily soil. No 21D tickets have been issued in the past, however the property has been issued violations and the Commission has removed those violations upon satisfactory compliance to the complaints. **Motion was made to receive and place on file. So Voted.**

Petitions and Claims:

Application submitted by David Charbonneau requesting a renewal of his Constable License for an unrestricted status for his employment with the City. Motion was made to refer to the Committee on Police and License and the Police Chief. So Voted.

Application submitted by David Enos requesting a renewal of his Constable License for an unrestricted status for his employment with the City. Motion was made to refer to the Committee on Police and License and the Police Chief. So Voted.

Petition submitted by Richard Riccio, Project Manager, Field Engineering Co., Inc., The Crocker Building, Four Court Street, Taunton requesting extension of the public sewage collection system to service the first section of Phase IV Expansion area of the Myles Standish Industrial Park. Motion was made to refer to the Law Department and 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 Pottier motioned that the TMLP General Manager submit a response to the Municipal Council on the matter of the timing of the traffic light at East Britannia Street and Broadway as complaints have been received that the traffic light facing East Britannia Street is a lot longer and is causing traffic backups on both sides of Broadway especially early in the morning and around 5:00 PM in the evening. So Voted.

Councilor Barbour stated that last evening the Committee on Solid Waste met. He stated the meeting will be replayed on Channel 17. On February 27, 2012 the same type of meeting will be held with We Care.

Councilor Costa-Hanlon motioned that the DPW Commissioner and the TMLP General Manager look at moving the two school flashing lights, one located at Maxham School and the other is located at Walker School as neither is being utilized and these lights are needed at Hopewell School and Barnum School. Therefore, a motion was made that they report back to the Municipal Council for the Council packet. So Voted.

Orders, Ordinances, and Enrolled Bills

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

AN ORDINANCE

Chapter 8

Garbage, Trash, and Refuse

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

SECTION 1. Article I of Chapter 8 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Taunton, as amended, is hereby further amended by adding after Section 8-3, the following sections:

Sec. 8-4. Solid Waste Collection Fees.

- (a) All single family homes, condominiums, and multifamily dwellings up to four units are eligible participants in the curbside trash and recycling program.
- (b) A solid waste collection fee is hereby established in the amount of seventy-three dollars (\$73.00) per fiscal year per unit for the regular curbside collection and disposal of solid waste and recyclables. Regular curbside collection and disposal shall consist of unlimited recyclables and one bulky item per week without further charge. Solid waste shall be disposed of in city approved collection bags pursuant to Sec. 8-6.
- (c) For Fiscal Year 2012, the city shall issue one bill in the amount of seventy-three dollars (\$73.00) per unit.
- (d) For Fiscal Year 2013 and subsequent fiscal years, the city shall issue bills quarterly, each quarterly bill being in the amount of eighteen dollars and twenty-five cents (\$18.25) per unit.
- (e) The failure of any property owner to pay the solid waste collection fee in full for any fiscal year shall result in the placement of a municipal lien upon the property.
- (f) Prior to April 1 of each fiscal year, the commissioner of public works and the budget director shall jointly communicate in writing to the Mayor and Municipal Council their opinion of the fee(s) necessary to accomplish the objective of recovering the cost of the curbside trash and recycling program.

Sec. 8-5. Abatement of Solid Waste Collection Fee.

(a) The annual solid waste collection fee of seventy-three dollars (\$73.00) may be abated only in accordance with the provisions of this section. All applications for abatement shall be made to the commissioner of public works or his designee.

(b) Vacancy Abatements.

- 1. Any owner of more than one unit who demonstrates that one or more units have been vacant for the previous twelve months shall receive a full abatement for the unit(s) in question for the fiscal year during which the application is made. Proof of vacancy must be verified by submission of the most recent electrical bill, from the TMLP, showing that the unit in question received the minimum maintenance charge associated with services that do not use any power, for the previous twelve months.
- 2. Any property owner who spends six (6) or more months away from the property in which he or she actually resides and can show proof of such vacancy, by submission of TMLP records showing a minimum maintenance charge associated with services that do not use any power, shall be granted an abatement for a corresponding number of months.
- (c) <u>Private Hauler Abatements</u>. The commissioner of public works or his designee shall establish and administer policies and procedures for the abatement of said charges for property owners paying for a private contractor for trash and recycling services. At a minimum, to qualify for an abatement:
 - 1. The property owner must furnish a contract signed and dated by both the property owner and the private hauler and the contract must specifically state the dates for which it is in effect;
 - 2. The contract must be for both the disposal of trash and recyclables; and
 - 3. The hauler must be licensed by the Board of Health.
- (d) <u>Hardship Abatement</u>. Property owners who are age seventy (70) or over and who are entitled to an exemption under Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 59, Section 5, Clause 17D or Clause 41C, as determined annually by the board of assessors, shall be entitled to a full abatement of the solid waste collection fee.
- (e) <u>Form</u>. An application for any type of abatement shall be made on a form designated by the commissioner of public works and shall contain a statement by the property owner, under the pains and penalties of perjury, attesting to the facts which the applicant states gives rise for the abatement.

Sec. 8-6. Collection of Solid Waste and Recyclables.

- (a) For collection by the City of Taunton or its contractor, each household participating in the curbside trash and recycling program must place solid waste in city-approved collection bags, having a capacity of 30-33 gallons, and available for purchase at a cost of one dollar (\$1.00) per bag.
- (b) For collection by the City of Taunton or its contractor, each household participating in the curbside trash and recycling program must place recyclables only in city-approved plastic bins provided by the City of Taunton at no charge.
- (c) The commissioner of public works is hereby authorized to establish and administer policies and procedures to carry out the provisions of this section.

SECTION 2. 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. Councilor Costa-Hanlon voting in opposition.

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

AN ORDINANCE

PART II REVSISED ORDINANCES

Chapter 1

GENERAL PROVISIONS

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

Section 1, Chapter 1 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Taunton, as amended, is hereby further amended by striking out the entirety of Section 1-13 (as appearing on pages 28 through 39 of the 2010 printing) and inserting in place thereof the following:

The division of the city into eight (8) wards is hereby reaffirmed and, until alteration shall be made by the municipal council, the boundaries thereof shall be established as follows:

Ward 1, Precinct A

All of that portion of Taunton City bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the point of intersection of Cohannet St and Highland St, and proceeding easterly along Cohannet St to Silver St, and proceeding northerly along Silver St to Winthrop St, and proceeding easterly along Winthrop St to Walnut St, and proceeding southerly along Walnut St to Clinton St, and proceeding southerly along Clinton St to Barnum St, and proceeding easterly along Barnum St to Somerset Ave, and proceeding northerly along Somerset Ave to Weir St, and proceeding southerly along Weir St to New York New Haven and Hartford RR, and proceeding southerly along New York New Haven and

Hartford RR to 1st St, and proceeding westerly along 1st St to Somerset Ave, and proceeding southerly along Somerset Ave to Highland St, and proceeding westerly along Highland St to the point of beginning.

Ward 1, Precinct B

All of that portion of Taunton City bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the point of intersection of Winthrop St and the Dighton/Taunton town/city line, and proceeding easterly along Winthrop St to Burt St, and proceeding northerly along Burt St to Rocky Woods St, and proceeding easterly along Rocky Woods St to N Walker St, and proceeding northerly along N Walker St to Fisher St, and proceeding easterly along Fisher St to Three Mile River, and proceeding southerly along Three Mile River to Winthrop St, and proceeding easterly along Winthrop St to Fairview Ave, and proceeding northerly along Fairview Ave to Crossman St, and proceeding easterly along Crossman St to Highland St, and proceeding southerly along Highland St to Whitehill St, and proceeding easterly along Whitehill St to Anderson St, and proceeding northerly along Anderson St to Oak St, and proceeding easterly along Oak St to the westerly property line of East Bay Apt (165 Winthrop St), and proceeding southerly along the westerly property line of East Bay Apt (165 Winthrop St) to Winthrop St, and proceeding easterly along Winthrop St to Silver St, and proceeding southerly along Silver St to Cohannet St, and proceeding westerly along Cohannet St to Dighton Rd, and proceeding southerly along Dighton Rd to Dighton Ave, and proceeding southerly along Dighton Ave to Baker Rd W, and proceeding easterly along Baker Rd W to Somerset Ave, and proceeding southerly along Somerset Ave to Railroad Ave, and proceeding westerly along Railroad Ave to South St, and proceeding westerly along South St to Dighton/Taunton town/city line, and proceeding westerly along Dighton/Taunton town/city line to the point of beginning.

Ward 2, Precinct A

All of that portion of Taunton City bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the point of intersection of Pinckney St and Fremont St, and proceeding easterly along Pinckney St to Danforth St, and proceeding northerly along Danforth St to Mill River, and proceeding southerly along Mill River to West Adams St, and proceeding easterly along West Adams St to N Pleasant St, and proceeding southerly along N Pleasant St to Pleasant St, and proceeding easterly along Pleasant St to Broadway, and proceeding southerly along Broadway to Leonard St, and proceeding easterly along Leonard St to Fruit St, and proceeding easterly along Fruit St to Union St, and proceeding southerly along Union St to Church Green, and proceeding westerly along Church Green to Summer St, and proceeding easterly along Summer St to New York New Haven and Hartford RR, and proceeding southerly along New York New Haven and Hartford RR to High St, and proceeding westerly along High St to Bow St, and proceeding southerly along Bow St to Somerset Ave, and proceeding southerly along Somerset Ave to Barnum St, and proceeding westerly along Barnum St to Clinton St, and proceeding northerly along Clinton St to Walnut St, and proceeding northerly along Walnut St to Winthrop St, and proceeding westerly along Winthrop St to Cohannet St, and proceeding northerly along Cohannet St to Mason St, and proceeding northerly along Mason St to Wales St, and proceeding westerly along Wales St to Olney St, and proceeding northerly along Olney St to Oak St, and proceeding easterly along Oak St to Tremont St, and proceeding westerly along Tremont St to Fremont St, and proceeding northerly along Fremont St to the point of beginning.

Ward 2, Precinct B

All of that portion of Taunton City bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the point of intersection of Crossman St and Highland St, and proceeding northerly along Highland St to Smith Ave, and proceeding northerly along Smith Ave to Kilmer Ave, and proceeding easterly along Kilmer Ave to Clifford St, and proceeding northerly along Clifford St to Cobb Brk, and proceeding northerly along Cobb Brk to Shores St, and proceeding westerly along Shores St to Anawan St, and proceeding northerly along Anawan St to Tremont St, and proceeding easterly along Tremont St to Washington St, and proceeding westerly along Washington St to Oak St, and proceeding westerly along Oak St to Olney St, and proceeding southerly along Olney St to Wales St, and proceeding easterly along Wales St to Mason St, and proceeding southerly along Mason St to Cohannet St, and proceeding southerly along Cohannet St to Winthrop St, and proceeding westerly along Winthrop St to the westerly property line of East Bay Apt (165 Winthrop St), and proceeding northerly along the westerly property line of East Bay Apt (165 Winthrop St) to Oak St, and proceeding westerly along Oak St to Anderson St, and proceeding southerly along Anderson St to Whitehill St, and proceeding westerly along Whitehill St to Highland St, and proceeding northerly along Highland St to the point of beginning.

Ward 3, Precinct A

All of that portion of Taunton City bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the point of intersection of School St and Grant St, and proceeding northerly along School St to Purchase St, and proceeding northerly along Purchase St to Washington St, and proceeding northerly along Washington St to Thrasher St, and proceeding easterly along Thrasher St to the Raynham/Taunton town/city line, and proceeding southerly along the Raynham/Taunton town/city line to Taunton River, and proceeding westerly along Taunton River to New York New Haven and Hartford RR, approximately 900 feet north of Summer St, and proceeding southerly along New York New Haven and Hartford RR to Summer St, and proceeding westerly along Summer St to Church Green, and proceeding easterly along Church Green to Union St, and proceeding northerly along Union St to Fruit St, and proceeding westerly along Fruit St to Cedar St, and proceeding northerly along Cedar St to Grant St, and proceeding westerly along Grant St to the point of beginning.

Ward 3, Precinct B

All of that portion of Taunton City bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the point of intersection of New York New Haven and Hartford RR and Summer St, and proceeding northerly approximately 900 feet along New York New Haven and Hartford RR to Taunton River, and proceeding easterly along Taunton River to the Raynham/Taunton town/city line, and proceeding southerly along the Raynham/Taunton town/city line to Cotley River, and proceeding southerly along Cotley River to Middleboro Ave, and proceeding westerly along Middleboro Ave to Hart St, and proceeding westerly along Hart St to Bristol-Plymouth Regional High School access

road, and proceeding southerly along Bristol-Plymouth Regional High School access road to County St, and proceeding northerly along County St to Summer St, and proceeding westerly along Summer St to the point of beginning.

Ward 4, Precinct A

All of that portion of Taunton City bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the point of intersection of Cotley River and Middleboro Ave, and proceeding easterly along Cotley River to Taunton River at the Raynham/Taunton town/city line, and proceeding easterly along the Raynham/Taunton town/city line to the Middleborough/Taunton town/city line, and proceeding easterly along the Middleborough/Taunton town/city line to the Lakeville/Taunton town/city line, and proceeding southerly along the Lakeville/Taunton town/city line to the Berkley/Taunton town/city line, and proceeding westerly along the Berkley/Taunton town/city line to Holloway St Bypass, and proceeding northerly along Holloway St Bypass to Staples St, and proceeding northerly along Staples St to Caswell St, and proceeding northerly along Caswell St to Liberty St, and proceeding northerly along Middleboro Ave to the point of beginning.

Ward 4, Precinct B

All of that portion of Taunton City bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the point of intersection of Bristol-Plymouth Regional High School access road and County St, and proceeding northerly along Bristol-Plymouth Regional High School access road to Hart St, and proceeding easterly along Hart St to Middleboro Ave, and proceeding easterly along Middleboro Ave to Liberty St, and proceeding southerly along Liberty St to Caswell St, and proceeding southerly along Caswell St to Staples St, and proceeding southerly along Staples St to Holloway St Bypass, and proceeding southerly along Holloway St Bypass to the Berkley/Taunton town/city line, and proceeding westerly along the Berkley/Taunton town/city line to Boston-Fall River Expressway, and proceeding northerly along Boston-Fall River Expressway to County St, and proceeding northerly along County St to the point of beginning.

Ward 5, Precinct A

All of that portion of Taunton City bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the point of intersection of Mill River and W Britannia St, and proceeding northerly along Mill Riv to Whittenton St, and proceeding easterly along Whittenton St to New York New Haven and Hartford RR, and proceeding northerly along New York New Haven and Hartford RR to the Raynham/Taunton town/city line, and proceeding southerly along the Raynham/Taunton town/city line to Thrasher St, and proceeding westerly along Thrasher St to Washington St, and proceeding northerly along Washington St to Elizabeth St, and proceeding westerly along Elizabeth St to Brightman St, and proceeding southerly along Brightman St to E Britannia St, and proceeding westerly along E Britannia St to W Britannia St, and proceeding westerly along W Britannia St to the point of beginning.

Ward 5, Precinct B

All of that portion of Taunton City bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the point of intersection of W Britannia St and Mill River, and proceeding easterly along W Britannia St to E Britannia St, and proceeding easterly along E Britannia St to Brightman St, and proceeding northerly along Brightman St to Elizabeth St, and proceeding easterly along Elizabeth St to Washington St, and proceeding southerly along Washington St to Purchase St, and proceeding southerly along Purchase St to School St, and proceeding southerly along School St to Grant St, and proceeding easterly along Grant St to Cedar St, and proceeding southerly along Cedar St to Fruit St, and proceeding westerly along Fruit St to Leonard St, and proceeding westerly along Leonard St to Broadway, and proceeding northerly along Broadway to Pleasant St, and proceeding westerly along Pleasant St to N Pleasant St, and proceeding northerly along N Pleasant St to W Adams St, and proceeding westerly along W Adams St to Mill River, and proceeding northerly along Mill River to a point of intersection of W Britannia St and Mill River, the point of beginning.

Ward 6, Precinct A

All of that portion of Taunton City bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the point of intersection of Berkley St and the Berkley/Taunton town/city line, and proceeding northerly along Berkley St to Pratt St, and proceeding easterly along Pratt St to Hart St, and proceeding easterly along Hart St to New York New Haven and Hartford RR, and proceeding northerly along New York New Haven and Hartford RR to Weir St, and proceeding northerly along Weir St to Bow St, and proceeding northerly along Bow St to High St, and proceeding easterly along High St to New York New Haven and Hartford RR to Summer St, and proceeding easterly along Summer St to County St, and proceeding easterly along Summer St to County St, and proceeding easterly along Boston-Fall River Expy, and proceeding southerly along Boston-Fall River Expy to the Berkley/Taunton town/city line, and proceeding westerly along the Berkley/Taunton town/city line to the point of beginning.

Ward 6, Precinct B

All of that portion of Taunton City bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the point of intersection of the Dighton/Taunton town/city line and New York New Haven and Hartford RR, and proceeding southerly along the Dighton/Taunton town/city line to South St, and proceeding easterly along South St to Railroad Ave, and proceeding easterly along Railroad Ave to Somerset Ave, and proceeding northerly along Somerset Ave to Baker Rd W, and proceeding westerly along Baker Rd W to Dighton Ave, and proceeding northerly along Dighton Ave to Dighton Rd, and proceeding northerly along Dighton Rd to Cohannet St, and proceeding easterly along Cohannet St to Highland St, and proceeding easterly along Highland St to Somerset Ave, and proceeding northerly along Somerset Ave to 1st St, and proceeding easterly along 1st St to New York New Haven and Hartford RR (Somerset Br), and proceeding northerly along New York New Haven and Hartford RR (Somerset Br) to New York New Haven and Hartford RR (New Bedford and Fall River Br) to Hart St, and proceeding westerly along Hart St to Pratt St, and proceeding westerly along Pratt St to Berkley St, and proceeding

southerly along Berkley St to the Berkley/Taunton town/city line, and proceeding westerly along the Berkley/Taunton town/city line to Taunton River, and proceeding southerly along Taunton River to Three Mile River at the Berkley/Dighton/Taunton town/town/city line at Three Mile River, and proceeding northerly along the Three Mile River to the point of beginning.

Ward 7, Precinct A

All of that portion of Taunton City bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the point of intersection of Short St and Norton Rd, and proceeding northerly along Short St to Norton Ave, and proceeding easterly along Norton Ave to Dunbar St, and proceeding northerly along Dunbar St to Fremont St, and proceeding southerly along Fremont St to Tremont St, and proceeding westerly along Tremont St to Anawan St, and proceeding southerly along Anawan St to Shores St, and proceeding easterly along Shores St to Cobb Brk, and proceeding southerly along Cobb Brk to Clifford St, and proceeding southerly along Clifford St to Kilmer Ave, and proceeding westerly along Kilmer Ave to Smith Ave, and proceeding southerly along Smith Ave to Highland St, and proceeding southerly along Highland St to Crossman St, and proceeding westerly along Crossman St to Fairview Ave, and proceeding southerly along Fairview Ave to Winthrop St, and proceeding westerly along Winthrop St to Three Mile River, and proceeding easterly along Three Mile River to Fisher St, and proceeding westerly along Fisher St to N Walker St, and proceeding northerly along N Walker St to Tremont St, and proceeding easterly along Tremont St to Alfred Lord Blvd, and proceeding westerly along Alfred Lord Blvd to Worcester St, and proceeding northerly along Worcester St to Norton Rd. and proceeding northerly along Norton Rd to the point of beginning.

Ward 7, Precinct B

All of that portion of Taunton City bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the point of intersection of the Norton/Taunton town/city line and the Rehoboth/Taunton town/city line, and proceeding northerly along the Norton/Taunton town/city line to Norton Ave, and proceeding southerly along Norton Ave to Short St, and proceeding southerly along Short St to Norton Rd, and proceeding southerly along Norton Rd to Worcester St, and proceeding southerly along Worcester St to Alfred Lord Blvd, and proceeding southerly along Alfred Lord Blvd to Tremont St, and proceeding westerly along Tremont St to N Walker St, and proceeding southerly along N Walker St to Rocky Woods St, and proceeding westerly along Rocky Woods St to Burt St, and proceeding southerly along Burt St to Winthrop St, and proceeding westerly along Winthrop St to the Dighton/Taunton town/city line, and proceeding northerly along the Rehoboth/Taunton town/city line to the point of beginning.

Ward 8, Precinct A

All of that portion of Taunton City bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the point of intersection of the Norton/Taunton town/city line and Norton Ave, and proceeding northerly along the Norton/Taunton town/city line to New York New Haven and Hartford RR, and proceeding easterly along New York New Haven and Hartford RR to Penn Central RR, and proceeding southerly along Penn Central RR to New York New

Haven and Hartford RR, and proceeding southerly along New York New Haven and Hartford RR to Fremont St, and proceeding northerly along Fremont St to South Boundary Rd, and proceeding easterly along South Boundary Rd, to Bassett St, and proceeding easterly along Bassett St to Bay St, and proceeding northerly along Bay St to Edgewater Ln, and proceeding northerly along Edgewater Ln to the property line between house numbers 39 and 40 Edgewater Lane, and continuing northerly along said property line to point on the shoreline of Sabbatia Lake, and continuing southerly along the shoreline of Sabbatia Lake to the Mill River, and proceeding southerly along Mill River a point on the shoreline of Sabbatia Lake on the property line between house numbers 66 and 72 Lakeview Place, and proceeding easterly along said property line to Lakeview Place, and proceeding easterly along Lakeview Pl to Lakeview Ave, and proceeding southerly along Lakeview Ave to Bay St, and proceeding easterly along Bay St to New York New Haven and Hartford RR, and proceeding southerly along New York New Haven and Hartford RR to Whittenton St, and proceeding westerly along Whittenton St to Mill River, and proceeding southerly along Mill River to Danforth St, and proceeding westerly along Danforth St to Pinckney St, and proceeding westerly along Pinckney St to Fremont St, and proceeding northerly along Fremont St to Dunbar St. and proceeding southerly along Dunbar St to Norton Ave, and proceeding northerly along Norton Ave to the point of beginning.

Ward 8, Precinct B

All of that portion of Taunton City bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the point of intersection of the Norton/Taunton town/city line and New York New Haven and Hartford RR, and proceeding northerly along the Norton/Taunton town/city line to the Easton/Taunton town/city line, and proceeding easterly along the Easton/Taunton town/city line to the Raynham/Taunton town/city line, and proceeding southerly along the Raynham/Taunton town/city line to New York New Haven and Hartford RR, and proceeding westerly along New York New Haven and Hartford RR to Bay St, and proceeding northerly along Bay St to Lakeview Ave, and proceeding northerly along Lakeview Ave to Lakeview Pl, and proceeding westerly along Lakeview Pl to the property line between house numbers 66 and 72 Lakeview Place, and continuing westerly along said property line to a point on the shoreline of the Mill River, and continuing northerly along the Mill River to the shoreline of Sabbatia Lake, and continuing northerly along the shoreline of Sabbatia Lake to the property line between house numbers 39 and 40 Edgewater Lane, and continuing along said property line to Edgewater Lane, and continuing southerly along Edgewater Lane to Bay St, and proceeding southerly along Bay St to Bassett St, and proceeding westerly along Bassett St to South Boundary Rd, and proceeding westerly along South Boundary Rd to Fremont St, and proceeding southerly along Fremont St to New York New Haven and Hartford RR, and proceeding northerly along New York New Haven and Hartford RR to Penn Central RR, and proceeding northerly along Penn Central RR to New York New Haven and Hartford RR, and proceeding southerly along New York New Haven and Hartford RR to the point of beginning.

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 second reading. So Voted.

New Business:

Councilor Costa-Hanlon motioned that the Committee on Police and License discuss the placement of a bus stop warning sign on the corner of Broadway and Jefferson Street. So Voted.

Councilor Costa-Hanlon stated she received a complaint regarding the woods along Cedar Knoll Cemetery and trash being dumped there. Motion was made to refer to the Department of Public Works to have someone go out to this area in the next few days. So Voted.

Councilor Costa-Hanlon motioned to refer to the Mayor's Office to have the Committee schedules placed on Microsoft Outlook on our website for people to view. So Voted. *The City Clerk spoke with Alyssa on this matter.*

Councilor Costa-Hanlon asked that the Council recognize John "Jack" Gonsalves, is stepping down as President of Homes for Our Troops as well as his mother Victoria Mosier. Motion was made to refer to the Mayor's Office and Council President to work in conjunction. So Voted. (The City Clerk spoke with Mimi concerning this motion.)

Councilor Costa-Hanlon thanked the DPW for their work on Wildwood Avenue.

Councilor Pottier motioned that the Central Fire Station Hose Tower be referred to the Committee on Public Property as it is in need of repairs. So Voted. *The City Clerk spoke with the Clerk of Committees on this matter. So Voted.*

Councilor Pottier stated he received an email stating that there are mounds of dirt at the corner of 135 Winthrop Street and Vernon Street making it difficult for people to get by that area and motioned that the Department of Public Works investigate this. So Voted. *The City Clerk spoke with Mary at the DPW on this matter.*

Councilor Barbour motioned that the Committee on Public Property invite the Police Chief, a representative from TMLP and Marilyn Greene, Director, Parks, Cemeteries and Public Grounds in about 3-4 weeks to discuss increasing lighting in our City parks. So Voted.

Councilor Carr motioned to look into putting up cameras in our City parks. She stated she heard that the Department of Environmental Affairs loans cameras out to municipalities and she stated she would contact them to discuss this. So Voted.

Meeting adjourned at 7:25 P.M.

A true copy:

Rm Blackevice

CITY OF TAUNTON MUNICIPAL COUNCIL FEBRUARY 13, 2012

THE COMMITTEE ON SOLID WASTE

PRESENT WERE:

COUNCILOR DANIEL BARBOUR, CHAIRMAN AND COUNCILORS CARR, COSTA-HANLON, MARSHALL AND POTTIER. ALSO PRESENT WERE COUNCILOR JOHN MCCAUL, FRANK CAMPBELL AND BRIAN WILSON OF I.W.T., ATTORNEY TED ALEIXO, LOCAL COUNSEL FOR I.W.T., ATTORNEY ROD HOFFMAN, SPECIAL COUNSEL FOR THE CITY OF TAUNTON AND JIM BINDER OR A.R.I., CONSULTANT

FOR THE CITY OF TAUNTON

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:05 P.M.

1. MEET WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF I.W.T. FOR A PUBLIC PRESENTATION ON THEIR PROPOSED TECHNOLOGIES, PLAN AND SOLUTION FOR THE CITY OF TAUNTON'S SOLID WASTE NEEDS THE CHAIRMAN STATED THAT MAYOR HOYE AND THE MEMBERS OF THE D.P.W. TEAM WERE ALSO PRESENT FOR THIS MEETING.

JIM BINDER OF A.R.I. STATED THAT HE IS A CONSULTANT WORKING FOR THE CITY FOR THE LAST FEW YEARS. THE LANDFILL WILL CLOSE IN 2015-2016. WITH THE CLOSURE OF THE LANDFILL, THE CITY NEEDS A PLACE TO HANDLE THE CITY'S SOLID WASTE. WITH THE CLOSURE OF THE LANDFILL, THE CITY WILL LOSE HOST COMMUNITY BENEFITS, FREE DISPOSAL AND HOST COMMUNITY PAYMENTS WHICH TOTAL \$2.5 – 3 MILLION A YEAR.

THE BENEFITS WITH THE I.W.T. PROJECT INCLUDE ENVIRONMENTAL BENEFITS AS THERE WILL BE ZERO EMISSIONS AND THE REDUCTION OF TRUCK TRAVEL THROUGH THE CITY STREETS. THE TRUCKS BRINGING WASTE INTO THE CITY WILL BE REQUIRED TO USE ROUTE 495 TO THE INDUSTRIAL PARK. AFTER THE PROJECT IS COMPLETED, THE CITY WILL HAVE FREE WASTE DISPOSAL FOR 30 YEARS WHICH IS A SAVINGS OF \$3.5 MILLION A YEAR. THIS IS A NEW TECHNOLOGY IN THE UNITED STATES. THERE ARE COMPONENTS OF THE FACILITY OPERATING OVERSEAS. THE CHALLENGES THAT I.W.T. WILL FACE ARE ACQUIRING THE WASTE STREAM AND FINDING BUYERS FOR THE GASOLINE. THE RISKS TO THE CITY ARE LIMITED.

ATTORNEY HOFFMAN STATED THAT HE HAS HANDLED THE CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS WITH I.W.T. THE MAIN GOAL IS TO PROTECT THE CITY IF THERE ARE PROBLEMS AND HE FEELS THAT HE HAS DONE THAT WITH THE CONTRACT. THE CONTRACT ALSO SHOWS THAT THE COSTS AND RISKS ARE WITH I.W.T. THE CHAIRMAN INFORMED THE PUBLIC THAT NO DECISIONS WERE BEING MADE THIS EVENING. THIS IS AN INFORMATIONAL MEETING FOR THE PUBLIC.

MR. CAMPBELL OF I.W.T. PRESENTED A HANDOUT TO ALL COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND ATTENDEES OF THE MEETING.

HE PROVIDED AN OVERVIEW. HE STATED THAT I.W.T. WAS SELECTED AS THE "PREFERRED PROPOSER" BY THE CITY. IWT WILL FINANCE, OWN AND MANAGE THE PROJECT. THEIR TECHNOLOGY PARTNERS ARE GREENSTAR FOR THE RECYCLING, THERMOSELECT TO MANAGE THE WASTE, CASALE FOR THE METHANOL AND EXXONMOBILE FOR THE GASOLINE. RTP ENVIRONMENTAL WILL PREPARE THE ENVIRONMENTAL PERMITS AND THEY HAVE EXPERIENCE IN PERMITTING WASTE PROCESSING FACILITIES.

THE IWT PROJECT TEAM CONSISTS OF THE FOLLOWING:

CH2M HILL IS THE GASIFICATION PROCESS ENGINEER. SNC LAVALIN WILL DESIGN AND CONSTRUCT THE FACILITY, WILL GUARANTEE THEIR WORK AND PROVIDE PAYMENT AND PERFORMANCE BONDS. THEY HAVE BEEN INVOLVED IN 100+ PROJECTS WORLDWIDE AND ARE EXPERIENCED IN DESIGNING AND BUILDING ALTERNATIVE FUELS PROJECTS. NAES IS THE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE CONTRACTOR. RLR CONSULTANTS AND MORGAN STANLEY WILL FINANCE THE PROJECT. THEY ARE EXPERIENCED IN FINANCING INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS INCLUDING WASTE TO ENERGY FACILITIES.

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ALL TEAM MEMBERS ARE TECHNICALLY AND FINANCIALLY QUALIFIED TO PERFORM THEIR SCOPE OF WORK FOR THE TAUNTON PROJECT. ALL TEAM MEMBERS HAVE MADE PRESENTATIONS TO REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CITY AND ITS CONSULTANTS.

THE PROJECT WILL BE LOCATED ON 40 ACRES AT THE MYLES STANDISH INDUSTRIAL PARK, OFF OF JOHN HANCOCK ROAD. THERE WILL BE NO WASTE DELIVERY TRAFFIC THROUGH THE CITY. IT WILL PROCESS AN AVERAGE OF 1,500 TONS OF WASTE PER DAY. IT WILL FRONT END RECYCLE ABOUT 10% AND PROCESS THE BALANCE IN FIVE THERMOSELECT WASTE PROCESSING MODULES. IT PRODUCES FIVE RECYCLED PRODUCTS FOR SALE — IT PRODUCES SYNTHESIS GAS COMPRISED OF H2 AND CO WHICH IS USED TO MANUFACTURE METHANOL. THE METHANOL IS USED TO MANUFACTURE GASOLINE. THE GASOLINE WILL BE SHIPPED DAILY BY RAIL FROM THE SITE. THE PERMITTING WILL TAKE 14-18 MONTHS AND THERE IS A 2 YEAR CONSTRUCTION PERIOD.

THE ENVIRONMENTAL BENEFITS ARE THAT 100% OF THE WASTE IS DIVERTED FROM LANDFILLS, WASTE IS 100% RECYCLED, THERE IS NO ASH PRODUCED AND NO ASH LANDFILL IS REQUIRED. NO AIR EMISSIONS ARE PRODUCED FROM THE TERMOSELCT SYSTEM AND MINIMAL AIR EMISSIONS FROM GASOLINE MANUFACTURING EQUIPMENT. THERE IS NO PROCESS WATER DISCHARGES AND WILL REDUCE GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS COMPARED TO LANDFILLING THE SAME QUANTITY OF WASTE. MR. CAMPBELL FURTHER STATED THAT GASIFICATION OF CARBON BASED MATERIALS SUCH AS COAL OR MSW OR REFORMING NATURAL GAS ALL PRODUCE SYSTHESIS GAS COMPRISED OF HYDROGEN AND CARBON MONOXIDE. THE SYNTHESIS GAS IS USED TO MANUFACTURE METHANOL. THE SOURCE OF THE SYNGAS IS IMMATERIAL TO AND DOES NOT AFFECT THE OPERATION OF THE METHANOL PRODUCTION EQUIPMENT. 50% OF THE SYNGAS FOR THE TAUNTON PROJECT WILL BE PRODUCED BY REFORMING NATURAL GAS. THE OTHER 50% OF THE SYNGAS WILL BE PRODUCED BY THE THERMOSELCT SYSTEM WHICH HAS DEMONSTRATED ITS ABILITY TO DO SO FOR MORE THAN 20 YEARS. THE TWO SYNGAS SOURCES WILL BE CO-MINGLED AND USED TO MANUFACTURE METHANOL AND THEN GASOLINE. THIS TECHNICAL APPROACH TO MANUFACTURING GASOLINE HAS BEEN COMMERCIALLY DEMONSTRATED FOR DECADES.

THE U.S. DOE IS SPONSORING CONVERSION TECHNOLOGIES THAT PROCESS WASTE AND MANUFACTURE ALTERNATIVE FUELS. THERE ARE PROJECTS UNDER DEVELOPMENT IN THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA. A PROJECT SIMILAR IN SIZE TO THE TAUNTON PROJECT IS BEING DEVELOPED IN ALEXANDRIA, LOUISIANA. IWT, ITS PARTNERS AND PROJECT TEAM WILL PRIVATELY FINANCE AND PERMIT, DESIGN, CONSTRUCT AND OPERATE A SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT FACILITY AND OPERATE TAUNTON'S DROP OFF STATION. NO CITY MONEY WILL BE USED TO FINANCE THE PROJECT. THE CITY HAS NO RISK ASSOCIATED WITH FINANCING, BUILDING OR OPERATING THE FACILITY. IF THE WASTE TO GASOLINE PROJECT IS DELAYED, IWT IS REQUIRED TO BUILD AND OPERATE A WASTE TRANSFER STATION TO ENSURE THE CITY'S WASTE IS MANAGED. THE CITY'S RESPONSIBILITIES ARE TO PROVIDE A SITE, ITS WASTE AND SUPPORT THE PROJECT.

THE CITY WILL RECEIVE WASTE DISPOSAL SERVICES FOR A MINIMUM OF 30 YEARS AT NO COST AND WILL RECEIVE HOST COMMUNITY FEES OF ABOUT \$1.7 MILLION PER YEAR FOR A MINIMUM OF 30 YEARS. THE VALUE OF THE ABOVE TWO ITEMS, TAKING ESCALATION INTO ACCOUNT OVER A 30 YEAR PERIOD IS ABOUT \$153 MILLION OR AN AVERAGE OF \$5.1 MILLION PER YEAR. THE CITY WILL RECEIVE 1% OF IWT'S ANNUAL CASH FLOW FOR AT LEAST 30 YEARS. AT THE FINANCIAL CLOSING OF THE PROJECT, THE CITY WILL RECEIVE \$2.25 MILLION TO COVER ITS PROJECT DEVELOPMENT COST AND \$1 MILLION FOR AN ENVIRONMENTAL FUND. THE CITY WILL ALSO RECEIVE PAYMENTS ON THE CITY OWNED SITE FOR 30 YEARS BEGINNING AT FINANCIAL CLOSING, RECEIVE \$20,000 PER YEAR FOR THE NEIGHBORHOOD ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND RECEIVE \$115,000 PER YEAR FOR OPERATIONS MONITORING OF THE FACILITY.

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THIS PROJECT WILL PROVIDE MUCH NEEDED WASTE DISPOSAL CAPACITY FOR SOUTHEASTERN MASSACHUSETTS DUE TO THE PENDING CLOSURE OF 4 LANDFILLS WHOSE TOTAL CAPACITY IS ABOUT 2,000 TONS PER DAY. THE ENVIRONMENTAL BENEFITS OF THE PROJECT TO SOUTHEASTERN MASSACHUSETTS ARE SIGNIFICANT. IT WILL REDUCE FOREIGN OIL IMPORTS FOR AT LEAST 30 YEARS. THE PORJECT WILL CREATE ABOUT 1.2 MILLION MAN HOURS OF UNION CONSTRUCTION WORK AND WILL CREATE ADDITIONAL JOBS IN EQUIPMENT MANUFACTURING FACILITIES IN SOUTHEASTERN MASSACHUSETTS. IT WILL ALSO CREATE ABOUT 100 WELL PAYING JOBS FOR THE 30+ YEARS THE FACILITY WILL BE IN OPERATION. ALSO, THE ECONOMIC BENEFITS TO THE CITY OF TAUNTON ARE SIGNIFICANT. PATRICK O'BRIEN ADDRESSED THE COMMITTEE. HE SAID HE FELT THAT THE RECYCLING RATE MENTIONED WAS TOO LOW. HE ALSO SAID THAT HE FEELS A POOR JOB WAS DONE REGARDING INFORMING THE PUBLIC. ALSO, REGARDING EMISSIONS, WHAT HAPPENS IF THERE IS A PROBLEM WITH THE SYSTEM, IF SMALL EMISSIONS ESCAPE, WHAT HAPPENS. HE REQUESTED THAT DATA BE PRODUCED FOR SIMILAR SIZE FACILITIES HANDLING MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE. HE ALSO STATED THAT THERE WAS A PROBLEM WITH THERMOSELECT IN GERMANY AND QUESTIONED WHAT HAPPENED. COUNCILOR BARBOUR STATED THAT JUST ABOUT ALL MEETINGS REGARDING THIS SUBJECT HAVE BEEN HELD IN OPEN SESSION, AND THAT THE CITY WENT ABOVE AND BEYOND WITH THE NOTICES REGARDING THIS PUBLIC MEETING.

MR. CAMPBELL STATED THAT THE STATE WOULD LIKE TO SEE A 35-40% RECYCLING RATE. RECYCLABLE PRODUCTS WILL BE TAKEN OUT WITH THIS PROJECT AND GREENSTAR HAS A RATE OF 30-35% RECYCLING. HE ALSO STATED THAT THERE ARE NO AIR EMISSIONS FROM THE THERMOSELECT SYSTEM. REGARDING THE GERMAN FACILITY, HE HAS A RESPONSE THAT HE WILL E-MAIL TO MR. O'BRIEN. GENE MCCAFFREY OF 1074 GLEBE STREET ASKED IF THE FINANCIALS HAVE BEEN PRESENTED TO THE CITY AND CAN IWT PRESENT LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION FROM FOREIGN PLANTS.
MR. CAMPBELL INFORMED HIM THAT PART OF THE RFP PROCESS INCLUDED THAT THEY PROVIDE A SET OF FINANCIALS, WHICH THEY HAD DONE. THEY WERE NOT ASKED FOR RECOMMENDATIONS, BUT MR.

OF FINANCIALS, WHICH THEY HAD DONE. THEY WERE NOT ASKED FOR RECOMMENDATIONS, BUT MR. CAMPBELL SAID THAT THE STUDIES DONE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND THE NEW YORK CITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION AND THE DEPARTMENT OF SANITATION EVALUATIONS ARE THEIR BEST RECOMMENDATIONS. HE ALSO STATED THAT HE COULD GET A LETTER FROM EXXONMOBILE. DAWN ENGLISH OF 64 CODDING DRIVE STATED THAT SHE FEELS THAT PAINT AND LEAD CAN GET INTO THE AIR. HER FAMILY HAS ASTHMA SO CAN IWT GUARANTEE THAT IT WILL NOT EFFECT THEM. WILL IT EFFECT THEIR PROPERTY VALUES. DO CITIZENS HAVE A VOTE ON THIS. SHE WOULD RATHER PAY TO HAVE THE TRASH SHIPPED OUT. WHY PICK A SMALL POPULATED AREA, THEY SHOULD GO TO MAINE. MR. CAMPBELL STATED THAT THEY DO NOT INCINERATE THE WASTE. EMISSIONS FROM THEIR FACILITY VS. AN INCINERATOR ARE 95% LOWER.

WALTER SYLVIA OF 15 MACINTOSH DRIVE ASKED IF IWT IS INVOLVED IN THE JAPAN FACILITY, WHO MONITORS THE EMISSIONS. HE ALSO ASKED IF THERMOSELECT CONTAMINATED A LAKE OVER THERE. MR. CAMPBELL STATED THAT NONE OF THE FACILITIES IN JAPAN ARE OWNED BY IWT. AT THE TAUNTON FACILITY IWT IS RESPONSIBLE TO MONITOR THE AIR EMISSIONS AND REPORT TO D.E.P. HE HAS INFORMATION ON THE ISSUE WITH THERMOSELECT AND WILL E-MAIL IT TO MR. SYLVIA. RICHARD HAMEL OF 81 DUNBAR STREET QUESTIONED THE TYPE AND COMPOUND OF AIR EMISSIONS. MR. CAMPBELL SAID THAT 90% WILL BE WASTE AND THEY ARE WORKING WITH EXXON TO DISPOSE OF THE REMAINING 10%. THE FACILITY IS DESIGNED TO OPERATE SEVEN DAYS A WEEK, 24 HOURS A DAY. STEVE ORSINI OF HIGH STREET ASKED IF THE PROJECT IS GOVERNMENT APPROVED BY DEP AND THE STATE. HE ALSO QUESTIONED WHY THIS TECHNOLOGY ISN'T ANYWHERE ELSE IN THE UNITED STATES. HE ASKED IF IWT IS AFFILIATED WITH ANY OIL COMPANY, AND WHO WILL THEY SELL TO. MR. CAMPBELL SAID THAT THEY WILL HAVE TO HAVE FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL APPROVAL TO MOVE

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FORWARD. THE TECHNOLOGY HAS BEEN AROUND FOR 20 YEARS AND THE UNITED STATES IS FINALLY REALIZING INCINERATION AND LANDFILLS ARE NOT GOOD. HE ALSO SAID THAT TWO OF THE BIG EIGHT COMPANIES IN NEW ENGLAND HAVE EXPRESSED INTEREST IN PURCHASING, BUT ALSO SAID THAT ONCE THERE IS A CONTRACT WITH TAUNTON TO COME BACK AND SEE THEM.

MR. JACK DONAHUE OF 45 EMMA AVENUE STATED THAT THE GAZETTE REPORTED THAT THE COST OF THE PROJECT IS \$800 MILLION, AND THAT THIS INFORMATION SHOULD BE CLARIFIED AS IWT WILL PAY FOR THE PROJECT. HE ASKED WHO WOULD APPROACH THE SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES, AND HE ALSO ASKED IF THE FACILITY WOULD EVENTUALLY BE ABLE TO MAKE ELECTRICITY, WHAT ENERGY IS USED TO MAKE THE GAS AND WHERE WOULD THE GAS BE STORED.

MR. CAMPBELL SAID THE PROJECT COST IS \$600 MILLION. IT IS IWT'S OBLIGATION TO CONTRACT WITH OTHER CITIES AND TOWNS. THEY WOULD LOVE TO MANUFACTURE ELECTRICITY BUT DEP SAID THEY CANNOT DO THIS. REGARDING THE SOURCE OF ENERGY, MR. CAMPBELL STATED THAT GASIFICATION IS A CHEMICAL PROCESS. GAS WILL BE STORED IN STORAGE TANKS ON SITE AND WILL BE SHIPPED OFF SITE BY RAIL.

ROBERT BASTIS OF 1401 CENTER STREET, DIGHTON ASKED IF THEY HAVE A FACILITY THAT HANDLES 1700 TONS PER DAY. HE ALSO ASKED IF THIS CAN BE VOTED ON BY THE PUBLIC. HE QUESTIONED WHAT HAPPENS WHEN THERE ARE PROBLEMS, AND HE SAID THAT BLOOD TESTS SHOULD BE DONE FOR A 20 MILE RADIUS OF THE PLANT BECAUSE HE FEELS THERE COULD BE AN EFFECT ON GROUND WATER. MR. CAMPBELL STATED THAT THE TECHNOLOGY COMES IN MODULES AND EARLIER FACILITIES HAD 2 OR 3. HE ALSO HAS LOTS OF EMISSIONS DATA.

A JOSHUA BORDEN ASKED IF 2015 IS A REACHABLE DEADLINE. MR. CAMPBELL SAID THAT THE STATE DOES HAVE AN EXPEDITED LIST.

A PAULINE RODRIGUES OF SOMERSET STATED THAT THERE ARE NO EMISSIONS MONITORING RESULT AND THEY ARE NOT REQUIRED IN JAPAN. SHE SAID THIS IS AN UNPROVEN TECHNOLOGY.

MR. CAMPBELL SAID THAT JAPAN EPA IS AT LEAST AS STRINGENT AS OURS. ALL IS TRANSPARANT. THEY DO HAVE SOME EMISSIONS DATA. HE ALSO SAID THE TECHNOLOGY HAS BEEN IN USE FOR 20 YEARS. JEFF PAGLIUCA OF 34 PARTRIDGE CIRCLE QUESTIONED HOW CLOSE TO THE DEVER WELLS THIS FACILITY WOULD BE AND HAS THE TDC RENDERED AN OPINION.

MR. CAMPBELL STATED THAT THE TDC IS WAITING FOR THE CITY TO GET A LITTLE FURTHER IN THE PROCESS. REGARDING THE WELLS, AN ANALYSIS WILL HAVE TO BE DONE AS THE STATE HAS ESTABLISHED MINIMUM DISTANCES THAT MUST BE ABIDED BY.

A RSIDENT OF 300 FERNCREST DRIVE QUESTIONED PUBLIC SAFETY. MR. CAMPBELL STATED THAT THE CONTRACT HAS AN APPENDIX THAT DESCRIBES SPECIFIC TERMS. ALSO THERE ARE 130 STATE AND FEDERAL REGULATIONS THAT MUST BE FOLLOWED. THE CITY CAN HAVE ITS OWN INSPECTIONS DONE. MR. CAMPBELL SAID THIS WILL BE A SAFE FACILITY.

SCOTT TABAK OF 151 FREMONT STATED THAT THE RAILROAD TRACKS ARE BEHIND HIS HOUSE. ARE THEY GOING TO BE REPAIRED. HE ALSO SAID THAT THE FIRE CHIEF SHOULD HAVE BEEN ASKED TO ATTEND THIS MEETING. HE ALSO QUESTIONED IF THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY IS GIVING MONEY TO THIS PROJECT. MR. CAMPBELL SAID THE AMOUNT OF GAS LEAVING THE FACILITY WILL BE 130,000 GALLONS. HE WILL BE WORKING WITH THE FIRE CHIEF AND DEP FOR THE MOST ADVANTAGEOUS TIME TO MOVE THE GASOLINE. REGARDING THE TRACKS, HE SAID THAT THEY HAVEN'T ANALYZED WHICH WAY THEY WILL BE EXITING. REGARDING THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY MONEY, MR. CAMPBELL SAID THAT IF THEY DON'T HAVE A VIABLE PROJECT, THE MONEY WONT COME IN.

ERIN PREWANDOWSKI OF 7 PHEASANT RUN ASKED IF THE GAS WAS GOING TO BE STORED UNDER OR ABOVE GROUND. HOW IS THE WASTE GOING TO BE BROUGHT TO THE SITE.

MR. CAMPBELL SAID THERE WILL BE A TANK FARM TO STORE THE GASOLINE SURROUNDED BY A BURM.

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IT WILL BE STORED FOR ONE DAY. THE WASTE WILL BE BROUGHT IN BY TRUCK. THE CITY'S WASTE WILL BE BROUGHT IN BY THE USUAL TRASH TRUCKS, COMMUNITIES FURTHER AWAY WILL USE LARGER TRUCKS. THIS IS STILL IN THE EARLY STAGES, SO SOME MAY COME IN BY RAIL.

IT WAS ALSO NOTED THAT THE TRUCKS WILL BE USING ROUTE 495 TO GO INTO THE INDUSTRIAL PARK. WASTE FROM OTHER SITES WILL BE BROUGHT IN SEALED CONTAINER TRUCKS. MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE WILL BE DELIVERED MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY FROM 7 TO 3. THE FACILITY IS A CLOSED FACILITY AND WILL BE RUNNING 24 HOURS A DAY, SEVEN DAYS A WEEK.

BILL REID OF 74 FERNCREST DRIVE SAID THAT HE HAS CONCERNS WITH SMELL AND NOISE. IF THERE IS A TRANSFER STATION, HOW MUCH WILL IT SMELL.

IT WAS NOTED THAT THIS FACILITY HAS STRINGENT RULES. WASTE WILL BE DELIVERED BY A CLOSED TRUCK INTO A CLOSED BUILDING. REGARDING NOISE, THEY WILL HAVE COMPRESSORS, BUT THEY WILL BE IN ENCLOSURES TO CONTAIN THE NOISE.

TERRENCE CROWLEY OF 285 POWDERHORN DRIVE ASKED HOME MANY TRAINS WILL BE USED, AND WHERE WILL THE WASTE BE STORED ON SITE.

THE FACILITY WILL OPERATE 7DAYS, 24 HOURS A DAY, THERE WILL BE A STORAGE PIT FOR THREE DAYS STORAGE SO THEY WILL ALWAYS HAVE WASTE ON HAND. TRUCKS WILL NOT BE COMING THROUGH THE CITY, THEY WILL COME IN FROM THE HIGHWAY.

HE ALSO QUESTIONED IF THERE WAS ANYTHING IN THE CONTRACT TO PROTECT THE RESIDENTS. IT WAS NOTED THAT THERE IS A NEIGHBORHOOD ADVISORY COUNCIL THAT WOULD ADDRESS ANY ISSUES THAT NEIGHBORS MIGHT HAVE. HE ALSO ASKED IF THERE WAS ANY MONEY FOR PROPERTY DEVALUATIONS IF SOMETHING HAPPENS, AS THE PROPOSED SITE IS BEHIND HIS PROPERTY.

MR. CROWLEY WAS ASKED TO E-MAIL ALL OF HIS CONCERNS AND ANSWERS TO ALL OF HIS QUESTIONS WILL BE PROVIDED.

COUNCILOR MARSHALL NOTED THAT THE SITE THE LAST SPEAKER MENTIONED IS NOT THE SITE THAT WILL BE USED. THEY ARE TRYING TO NEGOTIATE 40 ACRES IN PHASE IV AND V OF THE INDUSTRIAL PARK. THIS SITE CANNOT BE SEEN FROM THE ROAD. IT WAS NOTED THAT THE TDC'S ENGINEER IS WORKING WITH MR. CAMPBELL.

THE CHAIRMAN INFORMED ALL THAT ATTENDED THAT IF THEY HAD MORE QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS TO E-MAIL THEM TO THE COUNCIL'S E-MAIL ADDRESS AND THEY WOULD ALL BE ANSWERED AND ADDRESSED.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:43 P.M.

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IN MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

RESPECTEULLY SUBMITTED

COLLEEN M. ELLIS

CLERK OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES

REPORTS ACCEPTED, RECOMMENDATIONS ADOPTED.

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CITY CLERK