

**TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
JULY 10, 2007**

Under the Rules and Procedures of the Winthrop Town Council, President Reilly called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM in the Joseph Harvey Hearing Room. All members were present.

ACT ON MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

MOTION Councilor Gill

2nd by Vice President Boncore

VOICE VOTE:

VOTED: To accept Town Council meeting minutes of June 5, 2007 & June 19, 2007.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

David Osborne, Eric Gaynor, Paul Lucerto and Larry Bradley made public comments.

**7:10 PM PUBLIC HEARING/ZONING AMENDMENT-SPECIAL
DEVELOPMENT OVERLAY DISTRICT>WINTHROP HOSPITAL**

Richard Dimes, Chairman of the Planning Board reviewed to the Council the Winthrop Planning Board's findings and recommendations regarding the amendment to the Town of Winthrop Zoning Map, formerly known as the Winthrop Community Hospital dated May 16, 2007.

IN FAVOR OF PETITION

Attorney James Cipoletta, representative of Winthrop Cove Realty Trust and Eric Gaynor, Director of the Winthrop Chamber of Commerce spoke in favor of the amendment.

IN OPPOSITION OF PETITION

Philip Lundberg and Attorney William DiMento, representative of the Lincoln Street Neighborhood Association spoke in opposition of the amendment.

7:40 PM PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED

There was discussion amongst the Town Council regarding the SDOD Zoning amendment of the Winthrop Community Hospital.

MOTION by Councilor Letterie

2ND by Councilor Sanford

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilor Ferrino (**YES**), Councilor Gill (**YES**), Councilor Letterie (**YES**), Councilor DelVento (**YES**), Councilor Maggio, (**YES**), Councilor Sanford (**YES**), Councilor Calla, (**YES**), Vice President Boncore, (**NO**), President Reilly, (**YES**).

VOTED: Be it hereby resolved that the Zoning Map of the Town dated July 31, 2006 be amended by including in the Special Development Overlay District (SDOD) the property commonly known as the former Winthrop Hospital site.

• ***8 YES 1 NO**

Motion carries

MOTION by Councilor Maggio
2ND Councilor Ferrino

VOICE VOTE:

VOTED: Effective July 11, 2007 be it resolved that the following schedule of fees be amended fees as established under Chapter 5, Administration, Article II fees, Section 22 of the Town of Winthrop Code.

Building

RESIDENTIAL

Condo Conversion	\$250.00
Condo Conversion/Occupancy Permit	\$100.00
Modular Home Fee	\$1,000 to \$5,000
Real Estate Walk Through	\$75.00

COMMERICAL

Certification of Inspection	\$75.00
Certification of Use/Occupancy	\$100.00

MOTION by Councilor Letterie
2ND by Councilor Ferrino

VOICE VOTE:

VOTED: Effective July 11, 2007 be it resolved that the following schedule of fees be amended as established under Chapter 213, Cemeteries, Section 12 of the Town of Winthrop Code.

Cemetery

Non resident fee	\$600.00
Grave opening-child age 5 to 10	\$60.00
Grave opening-child age 1 to 4	\$40.00
Grave opening-age stillborn to 1	\$35.00
Grave opening-cremation	\$350.00
Lowering remains & removing	\$150.00
Service charge for removals by vault Co.	\$60.00
Saturday charge/late fee	\$500.00
Holiday charge	\$500.00
Deed registration including Town Clerk fee	\$25.00

MOTION by Councilor Letterie
2ND by Councilor Sanford

VOICE VOTE:

VOTED: Effective July 11, 2007 be it hereby resolved consistent with the provisions of Article II, Sections 344-15 through 349-11 of the Town of Winthrop Code the following fees established by executive action are amended as follows:

Solid Waste Disposal

Replacement Recycling-bins	\$6.00
White Goods-freon-sticker	\$35.00
White Goods-non freon-sticker	\$25.00
Recycling-Paint-oil per gallon	\$3.00

Recycling-tires/each	\$4.00
Recycling-TV, monitor	\$25.00

MOTION by Councilor Sanford
2ND by Councilor Maggio

VOICE VOTE:

VOTED: Effective July 11, 2007 be it resolved that the following schedule of fees be amended as established under Chapter 221, Section 1 of the Town of Winthrop Code.

Highway and Sidewalk Openings

Application Fee	\$50.00
Street Opening	\$175.00
Driveway Apron-moves	\$100.00
Asphalt driveway	\$50.00
Concrete driveway	\$75.00

MOTION by Councilor Sanford
2ND by Councilor Ferrino

AMENDMENT by Vice President Boncore to strike \$2,000.00 from the following licenses as follows; Liquor (restaurants), Liquor (Hotel/Inn), Liquor (Clubs), Liquor (Package Stores) to be replaced with a \$1,650.00. To also strike \$1,500.00 for Liquor (Beer/wine) to be replaced with \$1,320.00

2ND by Councilor Sanford

VOICE VOTE ON AMENDMENT: *6 YES 2 NO

VOICE VOTE:

VOTED: To adopt the Licensing Board fees as amended as follows:

Licensing Board

Auctioneer	\$150.00
Bowling Alley per lane	\$60.00
Laundromat	\$300.00
Junk dealer	\$500.00
Limousine	\$50.00
Liquor (restaurants)	\$1,650.00
Liquor (Hotel/Inn)	\$1,650.00
Liquor (Clubs)	\$1,650.00
Liquor (Package Stores)	\$1,650.00
Liquor (Beer/wine)	\$1,320.00
Sea Worms	\$25.00

MOTION by Councilor Sanford
2ND by Vice President Boncore

VOICE VOTE:

VOTED: To adopt the Water/Sewer Services as follows:

Water/Sewer Services

Sewer service-residential	\$125.00
Sewer service-commercial	\$175.00

Water service-residential	\$125.00
Water service-commercial	\$175.00
Water-Backflow test	\$150.00

President Reilly stated there will be a Public Hearing held on August 14, 2007 regarding the Harbor Management of the Town Pier.

8:30 PM RECESS

8:35 PM MEETING REC-CONVENED

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Economic Development

Councilor Letterie reported the Economic Development Committee met last week to discuss the possibility of putting to a referendum reducing the number of seats required by a restaurant to have a liquor license in which the committee voted unanimously.

MOTION by Councilor Letterie

2Nd by Councilor Ferrino

VOICE VOTE:

VOTED: To place the liquor license referendum on the agenda for the next Council meeting.

Public Heath & Safety

Councilor Maggio reported her trip to New Orleans in part was to meet with Emergency Response and volunteer people. It was very sad to see yet uplifting in some respects in talking with people, the courage they showed and their desire to rebuild. Maggio was proud to say there are members of this community who have gone down to New Orleans with habitat to Humanity and other faith-based groups to volunteer their services.

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

Town Manager, Richard J. White announced Treasurer/Collector, Nicholas Basso will be retiring. Also, Police Chief, Goldstein will be leaving Winthrop for a teaching position at Boston University. There will be a recruitment process for both of these positions. Mr. White personally and professionally thanked Nick and Dave for their service to the Town of Winthrop.

White submitted to the Council an Inventory report of the Traffic Safety Advisory Committee that includes requests, recommendations/findings and the TSAC meeting dates.

OLD BUSINESS

Councilor DelVento reported the Appointments Committee held a meeting June 20, 2007 to review the Council President's appointments recommendations.

MOTION by Vice President Boncore

2ND by Councilor Letterie

VOICE VOTE:

Councilor Ferrino abstained

VOTED: To accept President Reilly's appointment recommendation, under the provisions of Article 3, Section 2 of the Winthrop Home Rule Charter, **Richard H. Ferrino to the Historical Commission for a 3-year term ending in June 30, 2010.**

MOTION by Councilor DelVento

2ND by Councilor Letterie

VOICE VOTE:

VOTED: To accept President Reilly's appointment recommendations, under the provisions of Article 3, Section 2 of the Winthrop Home Rule Charter as follows:

Richard C. Lynds-Board of Appeals-3yr-term ending in June 30, 2010.

Judith Buono-Historical Commission-3yr-term ending in June 30, 2010.

Donald Simonini-Historical Commission-3yr-term ending in June 30, 2010.

James L. Little-Board of Health-3-yr-term ending in June 30, 2010.

MOTION by Councilor Sanford to approve President Reilly's 2007 appointment recommendations, under the provisions of Article 3, Section 2 of the Winthrop Home Rule Charter as follows:

Mary A. Kelley-Conservation Commission-3yr-term ending in June 30, 2010.

J. Calvin Farrand-Conservation Commission-3yr-term ending in June 30, 2010.

Norman P. Hyett-Conservation Commission-3yr-term ending in June 30, 2010

Louis R. Todisco, Alternate member-Conservation Commission-3yr-term ending June in 30, 2010.

John A. Crosby, Alternate member-Conservation Commission-3y-term ending in June 30, 2010.

2ND by Councilor Gill

MOTION by Vice President Boncore to postpone until the next Council meeting the appointments of the Conservation Commission.

2ND by Councilor Ferrino

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilor Ferrino (**YES**), Councilor Gill (**NO**), Councilor Letterie (**YES**), Councilor DelVento (**YES**), Councilor Maggio (**NO**), Councilor Sanford (**NO**), Councilor Calla (**YES**), Vice President Boncore (**YES**), President Reilly (**NO**).

VOTED: To postpone until the next Council meeting the appointments of the Conservation Commission.

*** 5 YES 4 NO**

Motion carries

MOTION by Councilor DelVento to request the Council President's 2007 appointments to the Conservation Commission appear before the Town Council's Appointments Committee.

2ND by Vice President Boncore

AMENDMENT by President Reilly to strike Town Council Appointments Committee and to replace with the Town Council.

2ND by Councilor Maggio

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilor Ferrino (**NO**), Councilor Gill (**NO**), Councilor Letterie (**NO**), Councilor DelVento (**YES**), Councilor Maggio (**YES**), Councilor Sanford (**YES**), Councilor Calla (**YES**), Vice President Boncore (**NO**), President Reilly (**YES**).

VOTED: To strike the Town Council Appointments Committee and to replace with Town Council.

***5 YES 4 NO**

Motion carries

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilor Ferrino (**YES**), Councilor Gill (**NO**), Councilor Letterie (**YES**), Councilor DelVento (**YES**), Councilor Maggio (**YES**), Councilor Sanford (**YES**), Councilor Calla (**YES**), Vice President Boncore (**YES**), President Reilly (**NO**).

VOTED: To request the Council President's 2007 appointments to the Conservation Commission appears before the Town Council.

***7 YES 2 NO**

Motion carries

MOTION by Councilor DelVento

2ND by Councilor Letterie

VOICE VOTE:

VOTED: That an Operating Budget Stabilization Fund is established consistent with the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 40A, Section 5B and that the unexpended funds from the salary reserve account, \$218,046, in the Town Manager's be transferred into the Operating Budget Stabilization Fund.

MOTION by Councilor DelVento

2ND by Councilor Sanford

VOICE VOTE:

VOTED: To appropriation of \$196,000 from the Unreserved Fund balance (free cash) to fund Fiscal Year 2007 unseen shortfalls in revenue collections for the Water Enterprise Fund.

MOTION by Councilor Letterie

2ND by Councilor Sanford

VOICE VOTE:

President Reilly voted "NO"

VOTED: To recommend \$81,000 to fund the FY 2008 Water Reserve Fund.

MOTION by Councilor Ferrino

2ND by Councilor Sanford

VOICE VOTE:

VOTED: That the sum of \$95,000 to be transferred from the Town Council's Reserve Fund to the School Department for unseen expenditures.

MOTION by Councilor Letterie

2ND by Councilor Sanford

VOICE VOTE:

VOTED: To suspend Council Rules by not holding the meeting on the third Tuesday in July and August.

MOTION by Vice President Boncore

2ND by Councilor Ferrino

VOICE VOTE:

VOTED: To adopt and present a Council Citation to Claire Sheltry.

MOTION by Councilor Letterie

2ND by Councilor Maggio

VOICE VOTE:

VOTED: Meeting adjourned at 10:00 PM.

ATTEST:

Susan J. Duplin

Council Clerk

