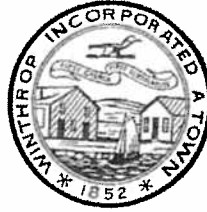


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Town Council Meeting Minutes

September 23, 2008

Under the Rules and Procedures of the Winthrop Town Council, President Reilly called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM in the Joseph Harvey Hearing Room. Councilor Maggio, Councilor Calla, Councilor Ferrino, Councilor Gill, Councilor Letterie, Councilor DelVento, Councilor Sanford, Vice President Boncore and President Reilly were present.

MOTION:by Councilor Letterie
2nd by Vice President Boncore

VOTED: to suspend Council Rules and take the Joint Meeting with the Housing Authority out of order. The purpose being to fill the vacancy left by Christine McNeil's recent resignation. A majority of the Housing Authority and Town Council will be needed to authenticate the vote.

Vice President Boncore nominated Richard Ferrino.

Councilor Joe Ferrino recused himself from the discussion.

Nomination was seconded by Councilor Sanford. No further nominations were presented and nominations were closed.

Roll Call: Councilor Ferrino-Abstain; Councilor Gill –Yes; Councilor Letterie-Yes; Councilor DelVento-Yes; Councilor Maggio- Yes; Councilor Sanford-Yes; Councilor Calla-Yes; Vice President Boncore-Yes; President Reilly-Yes. Housing Authority Member Larry Holmes – Yes; Lloyd Lyons – Yes; Ernest Caggiano-Yes.

Nomination is confirmed, Richard Ferrino is appointed to fill the vacancy at the Winthrop Housing Authority. He thanked the members of the Authority and Council for their support.

MOTION:by Councilor Letterie
2nd by Vice President Boncore

VOTED: this was the conclusion of the joint meeting at approximately 7:10pm.

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President Reilly stated he was in receipt of a Petition regarding the Pier. He informed the audience that the Town Forum on Services, slated for October 28th, would discuss in detail the plans for the Harbor Pier and encouraged residents to attend.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Dave Osborne, Dr. Jenkins, Guy Brandenstein and Gus Martucci made comment.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilor Letterie reported that the Economic Development committee met recently with the public to foster ideas.

Councilor Gill reported that the Finance Committee met recently to discuss the School's unpaid bills and recommends to the Council that the unpaid bills get paid out of the Schools' FY09 Budget.

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

Town Manager White reported on the following:

- Possible 40% to local aid cuts
- Trash contract
- Labor negotiations
- Medicaid repayments decided by Town Meeting over 15 years ago
- Recycle bank program
- Cutbacks to cemetery maintenance
- Larsen Rink status
- Water Tower leak status
- Progress on asking local hardware stores to match state bid prices on supplies

OLD BUSINESS

MOTION:by Councilor Letterie
2nd by Vice President Boncore

VOTED: to authorize the School Committee to pay the amount of \$199,123.48 for unpaid bills for the fiscal year 2008 from the School Committee's fiscal 2009 operating budget.

MOTION:by Councilor DelVento
2nd by Councilor Letterie

VOTED: that \$183,364 be transferred from the operating budget stabilization fund to the Northeast Metropolitan Regional Vocational School District fiscal year 2009 operating budget.

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NEW BUSINESS

MOTION:by Councilor DelVento
2nd by Councilor Sanford

VOTED: to reappoint the following members to the Council on Aging:

Donald F Tabbut, Elsa M. Verdy , Bernice M. Woolf

MOTION:by Councilor DelVento
2nd by Councilor Sanford

VOTED: to refer President Reilly's appointments to the Planning Board and Board of Appeals to the Appointments Committee for further review.

MOTION:by Councilor Letterie
2nd by Councilor Maggio

VOTED: to withdraw Councilor Letterie's motion from an earlier meeting regarding Town Manager's Contract.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

MOTION:by Vice President Boncore
2nd by Councilor Gill

Motion: to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing real estate

Roll Call: Councilor Ferrino-Yes; Councilor Gill –Yes; Councilor Letterie-Yes; Councilor DelVento-Yes; Councilor Maggio-Yes; Councilor Sanford-Yes; Councilor Calla-Yes; Vice President Boncore-Yes; President Reilly-Yes. Motion passes.

Motion: Under the Rules and Procedures of the Winthrop Town Council, President Reilly called the meeting to reconvene into open- session at 10:30 PM in the Joseph Harvey Hearing Room.

Roll Call: Councilor Ferrino-Yes; Councilor Gill –Yes; Councilor Letterie-Yes; Councilor DelVento-Yes; Councilor Maggio-Yes; Councilor Sanford-Yes; Councilor Calla-Yes; Vice President Boncore-Yes; President Reilly-Yes. Motion passes.

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VOTED: to adjourn for the evening at 10:30PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carla Vitale