

Town Council Meeting Minutes

December 22, 2009

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 Calla, Councilor Maggio, Councilor Ferrino, Councilor Gill, Councilor Letterie, Councilor DelVento, Councilor Sanford, Vice President Boncore and President Reilly were present.

Tax Rate Public Hearing

Dave Osborne spoke during the public hearing.

MOTION:by Councilor Gill

2nd by: Councilor Sanford

VOTED: to adopt a Residential Factor of 1.0 maintaining a single tax rate for Residential and Commercial, Industrial, Personal Property.

Town Manager's Report

Town Manager McKenna discussed the following items:

- Moving forward with National Grid as it pertains to the substation at Argyle Street and other capital improvement projects
- Snake Island restoration and the Department of Environmental Protection's interest in assisting Winthrop
- DPW's new front end loader
- Economic development meeting with Congressman Markey's office
- Energy grant secured for new boiler for town hall
- Health Department service issues
- Upcoming budget process

MOTION: by Councilor DelVento

2nd by: Councilor Letterie

VOTED: to refer to the Rules & Ordinance Committee proposed ordinances on the following subjects: graffiti, weapon possession, public marijuana use.

MOTION:by Councilor Maggio 2nd by: Councilor Boncore VOTED: to award a citation to retiring Town Attorney Robert Noonan for 35 years of service to the Town of Winthrop.

Councilor Gill, Counselor Ferrino and President Reilly each gave a brief statement with upon their retirement from town government to say thanks to the citizen's of Winthrop and the employees of the Town of Winthrop.

MOTION:by Councilor Maggio 2nd by: Councilor Letterie VOTED: to adjourn for the evening at approximately 8:40pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carla Vitale