



Town Council Meeting Minutes

June 1, 2010

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

Vice President Calla led the Council in the pledge of allegiance. Council President Turco asked the Council Clerk to call the roll for the record.

Minutes

Motion by Councilor Powers, Seconded by Councilor Sanford: to approve Minutes as amended and sent electronically to members of May 18, 2010. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Public Comment

MaryAnn Reynolds, the secretary from the Holy Rosary Church spoke on a potential traffic ordinance she would like to see go forward.

Richard Ferrino of the Historical Commission, spoke in favor of the Commission's desire to nominate Winthrop Water Tower for a historical designation. There was discussion relative to restrictions, ability to sell in future, town access, etc. The matter was referred to Capital Assets for further review.

Guy Brandenstein of Trident Avenue, spoke against the recently passes BYOB ordinance.

Town Manager's Report

Town Manager James McKenna reported on the following items:

- Recognized staff and volunteers for the good work at the Memorial Day Ceremony and Parade
- Reported on plans to use recent grant award for Regional Dispatch
- Status of Winthrop Landing and the extension of the ferry bid
- Deer Island security update
- Town Hall hours are soon to be ratified by the Union

Finance Commission Report

Bob Wynne read the written report and recommendation on the Fiscal Year 2011 Budget. Submitted report is attached.

New Business

President Turco asked Vice President Calla to preside over the meeting at this point so that he may enter into discussion on the proposed budget.

President Turco stated that after careful review of the School Department Budget he would encourage the Council to make a reduction to the School Budget in the amount of \$240,000. He offered his rationale behind the reduction as follows: School Administration coming over to the Town Hall would be a savings of 80K; seven teachers retiring and hiring at an entry level salary would be a savings of \$130K; 30K reduction in Utilities. He further stated that he recommends the reduced amount be placed in Council Reserve and at such time the School needed it, they could apply for a transfer.

There was brief discussion relative to the Council's feelings on this proposed reduction.

Motion by President Turco, seconded by Councilor Maggio: to reduce the School Department's Budget by \$240,000 in fiscal year 2011. Motion passed on a majority voice vote.

Motion by the Finance Committee, needing no second, to increase the Fire Department Budget by \$35,000. Motion passed on a majority voice vote.

Motion by Councilor Powers, seconded by Councilor Varone: to increase the Water Reserve line item by \$25,868. Motion passed on voice vote. Vice President Calla did not vote or participate in discussion due to a conflict of interest.

Motion by President Turco, seconded by Councilor Letterie to approve the Town Manager's Budget as amended and attached. Motion passed on a majority voice vote.

Motion by Councilor Letterie, seconded by Vice President Calla to approve Council President's appointment of Robert Gillis, to the Winthrop Historic Commission for a term to expire June 30, 2012. Motion passed on a voice vote.

There was discussion regarding the possibility of eliminating one or two polling locations in an effort to save money and be more efficient. A public hearing was scheduled for June 15, 2010.

Public Comment

Lee Dzedulionis of Nahant Avenue, Barbara Survalias, Todd Sacco of Emerson Road, Guy Brandenstein of Trident Avenue as well as Councilor Maggio and Sanford all spoke regarding water meters and our Water & Sewer Enterprise Fund.

Motion by Councilor Boncore, Seconded by Councilor Sanford: to go into Executive Session for the purposes of discussing Rule 7 Security. The Council President stated that if the Council did in fact vote to go into Executive Session, they would adjourn from Executive Session and not return to Open Session until Tuesday, June 15, 2010.

Roll Call:

Councilor Varone	Yes
Councilor DelVento	Yes
Councilor Sanford	Yes
Councilor Powers	Yes
Councilor Boncore	Yes
Councilor Letterie	Yes
Councilor Maggio	Yes
Vice President Calla	Yes
President Turco –	Yes

Voted: to go into Executive Session for the purposes of discussing Security matters.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carla Vitale

Budget Motion

That the amounts of money recommended on behalf of the Town Manager's Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2011 be adopted by the Town Council as follows: For the purposes of appropriations each budget shall be considered as two appropriations, one for salary items, and the other for expenses; except the School Budget, which shall be considerate as one appropriation.

To raise and appropriate from the following sources the amount of **\$42,927,076**

The sources are as follows:

- To raise and appropriate **\$35,819,909** from the Tax Levy including debt exclusions, anticipated state aid and local receipts
- To appropriate **\$45,000** from overlay surplus
- To appropriate **\$900,000** from Massport Mitigation Fund
- To appropriate **\$683,006** from the MWRA Fund
- To raise and appropriate **\$26,522** from the Cemetery Lots Fund
- To raise and appropriate **\$2,328,778** from the Water Enterprise Fund
- To raise and appropriate **\$4,035,166** from the Sewer Enterprise Fund
- To raise and appropriate **\$270,767** from the Waterways Fund
- To raise and appropriate **\$304,608** from the Recreation Fund
- To raise and appropriate **\$167,668** from the Rink Fund
- To raise and appropriate **\$59,240** from the Sale of Land Account for debt service for the Rink Enterprise Fund

Detailed Motion
2011 Budget
1-Jun-10

Town Council			
Salaries	28,840		
Expenses	229,236		
Total	258,076	258,076	
Town Manager			
Salaries	203,414		
Expenses	29,745		
Total	233,159	233,159	
Finance			
Salaries	184,677		
Expenses	61,344		
Total	232,021	232,021	
Assessors			
Salaries	79,775		
Expenses	45,590		
Total	125,365	125,365	
Treasurer/Collector			
Salaries	272,349		
Expenses	39,641		
Total	311,990	311,990	
Town Clerk			
Salaries	137,047		
Expenses	16,979		
Total	154,026	154,026	
MIS			
Salaries	117,711		
Expenses	104,219		
Total	221,930	221,930	
Grants			
Salaries	-		18K from grant HOME Funds
Expenses	-	-	
Total	-	-	
Town Attorney			
Salaries	1		
Expenses	75,002		
Total	75,003	75,003	
Inspectional Services			
Salaries	145,323		
Expenses	10,132		
Total	155,455	155,455	
Planning Board			
Salaries			
Expenses	1,650		
Total	1,650	1,650	
Appeals Board			
Salaries	4,160		
Expenses	2,203		
Total	6,363	6,363	

Schools			-	With \$93,589 of the appropriation contingent on the approval of funds from State SFSF
	Expenses	15,797,764		
	Total	15,797,764	15,797,764	
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NE VOC	Expenses	748,494		
	Total	748,494	748,494	
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Emergency Management				-
	Salaries	1,500		
	Expenses	17,560		
	Total	19,060	19,060	
Animal Control				-
	Salaries	22,274		
	Expenses	3,060		
	Total	25,334	25,334	
Police				-
	Salaries	2,270,575		
	Expenses	133,524		
	Total	2,404,099	2,404,099	
Fire				-
	Salaries	2,074,317		
	Expenses	150,277		
	Total	2,224,594	2,224,594	
Municipal Hearing				-
	Salaries	26,890		
	Expenses	13,455		
	Total	40,345	40,345	
DPW				-
	Salaries	321,067		
	Expenses	1,242,414		
	Total	1,563,481	1,563,481	
Cemetery				-
	Salaries	159,114		
	Expenses	12,250		
	Total	171,364	171,364	
Building Maintenance				-
	Salaries	57,585		
	Expenses	51,414		
	Total	108,999	108,999	
Water				-
	Salaries	608,810		
	Expenses	1,694,100		
	Total	2,302,910	2,302,910	
Sewer				-
	Salaries	709,337		
	Expenses	3,325,829		
	Total	4,035,166	4,035,166	
Harbormaster				-
	Salaries	140,489		
	Expenses	130,278		
	Total	270,767	270,767	
Recreation				-
	Salaries	288,608		
	Expenses	16,000		
	Total	304,608	304,608	
Rink				-
	Salaries	65,850		

	Expenses	101,818	
	Total	167,668	167,668
Library			-
	Salaries	313,262	
	Expenses	161,072	
	Total	474,334	474,334
Veterans			-
	Salaries	33,808	
	Expenses	27,287	
	Total	61,095	61,095
COA			-
	Salaries	97,619	
	Expenses	60,998	
	Total	158,617	158,617
Health			-
	Salaries	72,577	
	Expenses	12,200	
	Total	84,777	84,777
Debt			-
	Expenses	1,896,508	
	Total	1,896,508	1,896,508
Employee Benefits			-
	Expenses	5,445,198	
	Total	5,445,198	5,445,198
Shared Expenses			-
	Expenses	761,610	
	Total	761,610	761,610
Retirement			-
	Expenses	2,326,311	
	Total	2,326,311	2,326,311
Recreation	Expenses	47,124	
	Total		47,124
Capital			-
	Expenses	89,686	
	Total	89,686	89,686