

## **TOWN COUNCIL MEETING OF MAY 15, 2012**

Under the Rules and Procedures of the Winthrop Town Council, President Gill called the Town Council Meeting to order at 7:00 PM in the Cummings School Multipurpose Room.

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Councilor Powers led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **ROLL CALL**

Councilor DelVento	Present
Councilor Powers	Present
Councilor Letterie	Absent
Councilor Boncore	Present
Councilor Sanford	Present
Councilor Calla	Present
Councilor Mael	Present
Vice President Varone	Present
Council President Gill	Present

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### **Presentation by Town Attorney Kopelman and Paige regarding Casino Negotiations**

Attorney Betsy Lane and Attorney Ilana Quirk presented the Council with a Packet "There's a New Game in Town: What Municipalities Need to Know About the Casino Legislation". Open Meeting Laws were addressed regarding the Council going forward in discussion about the Casino Negotiations.

The attorneys addressed the concerns of the Councilors for Town of Winthrop to be in the best position possible. It was also stated that this is preliminary. What is clear the Town of Winthrop is eligible to be deemed as a surrounding community. It was recommended to get a Memorandum of Understanding. Open Meeting Laws were addressed regarding casino negotiations.

There was a question and answer period.

### **President Gill Opened the Citizens Finance Commission Public Hearing**

Councilor DelVento Chair of the Council Finance Committee met in April and recommend to full Council that this money be approved and to also meet with the Citizens Finance Commission. Robert Wynn of the Citizens Finance Committee Robert stated that there were a total of three meetings with the Council Finance Committee regarding the School Committee Transfer Request of \$208,800

A "Report of Finance Commission to Town Council – School Department Request for Supplemental budget Transfer, May 15, 2012" was presented by Jan Twombly. The report

includes discussion on a Summary of the Issues, Circuit Breaker, FY12 Budget and Tuition History, Findings and Recommendations.

There was a question and answer period.

**Councilor DelVento made a motion to Continue Public Hearing School Committee Transfer Request of \$208,800 until next Council Meeting  
2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilor Powers  
Motion Passes**

**President Gill Opened Public Hearing Grease Trap Ordinance**

Town Manager James McKenna spoke in favor of the Grease Trap Ordinance.  
Councilor Boncore Chairman of Rules and Ordinances

There was no Public Comment.

**President Gill Opened Public Hearing – Stretch Code Ordinance**

There was no Public Comment.

**MINUTES**

**Councilor Powers made a motion to accept the Minutes of Spring Forum of March 29, 2012  
2<sup>nd</sup> by Varone  
Motion Passes Unanimously**

**Councilor Sanford made a motion to accept the Minutes of May 1, 2012  
2<sup>nd</sup> by DelVento  
Motion Passes Unanimously**

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

John Riberio of Precinct 1 had questions about the negotiation of the Casinos.  
Judy VanKooman of Neighbor to Neighbor Fundraiser thanked the Town for its donations to the Hobson Family. President gill thanked Judy and the Committee and stated that you can still make donations.  
Jeanne Maggio stated that French Square Market is accepting applications.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

None.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Minutes of the DPW Subcommittee were read into the by Chair/Vice President Varone  
Minutes of the Public Health and Safety were read into the record by Chair/Councilor Powers.  
Minutes of the Finance Committee were read into the record by Chair/Councilor DelVento

Councilor Boncore of Rules and Ordinances Subcommittee read into the record Stretch Energy Code for the record.

**Councilor Boncore made a Motion on a recommendation from Rules and Ordinances to adopt the Stretch Code.**

**Motion Passes Unanimously**

Councilor Boncore of Rules and Ordinances Subcommittee read into the record a summary of the Regulations Concerning Grease Trap Requirements for Food Establishments for the record.

**Councilor Boncore made a Motion on a recommendation from Rules and Ordinances to adopt the Grease Trap Regulations.**

**Motion Passes Unanimously**

### **TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT**

Mr. McKenna spoke on:

- Schedule of Ferry Service/Ferry Fees and Rate Structure/Operating Cost
- Regional Contract for Fuel Procurement with Chelsea and other municipalities.
- Announced that we will not be having Fireworks display this year. Mr. Lou Camacho is unable to do them due to health issues.
- Tall Ships are coming July 4, 2012
- The Dedication of the Ferry Terminal to Norman Seifert has been changed to June 9, 2012.
- Information regarding the Beach Project over issues over the past week, filed applications for review, Conservation Commission and DCR will conduct a discussion.
- May 19, 2012 – Build out at Daws Playground with the DPW.
- Process of developing a strong job description and forming a committee to interview for a CFO with a deadline of June 15, 2012.
- Budget Hearing for June 5, 2012.
- Memo of outstanding legal bills referred to Finance Committee under New Business.
- Beachrake.
- Memo of Massport Runway work.
- May 17, 2012 Health Forum.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

School Transfer Request of \$208,800 held until next meeting.

DPW Transfer Request to Engineering Ft. Banks Access Road \$30,400 from Sale of Land Account

**Motion by Vice President Varone to separate DPW Transfer Request into two parts \$9,400 and \$21,762.50**

**2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilor Powers**

**Vice President Varone made a motion to transfer from Sale of Land Account \$9,400 to Transfer to DPW Department**

**2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilor Powers**

Town Manager, James McKenna requested that DPW be reimbursed. President Gill stated we need to be careful to appropriate before we spend.

**Motion Passes**

**Vice President Varone made a motion to take from Sale of Land Account \$21,762.50 and move to FY12 Town Wide Engineering Fort Banks Fund**

**2<sup>nd</sup> by Powers**

Councilor Mael had questions about \$400 dollars balance, there was an amendment made by Councilor Mael and 2<sup>nd</sup> by DelVento if the account should be canceled out. There was a discussion if the account should be canceled out and it was decided not to cancel out. Motion does not carry

***Back to Original Motion***

**Motion Passes ---6 Eyes/2 Nays**

**Public Records Request – Tabled back to Rules and Ordinances Committee**

**Public Fees – Councilor DelVento stated he would like the following fees advertised for action the New Board of Health Fees, Inspectional Fees, Planning Board Fees, and Compost Fees.**

**NEW BUSINESS**

***Vice President Varone made a Motion to establish an Enterprise Account for Storm Water Management and Improvement, funded at a minimum of \$25,000 per year from the General Operating Fund***

***There was a discussion on Enterprise Account compared to Revolving Account***

***Vice President Varone Withdrew the Motion to change wording from Enterprise to Revolving***

***Vice President Varone made a Motion to establish a Revolving Account for Storm Water Management and Improvement, funded at a minimum of \$25,000 per year from the General Operating Fund or other that may be awarded***

***Vice President Varone Postponed his Motion until it is decided where to money will come from.***

**APPOINTMENTS**

President Gill made the following Appointments:

**Conservation Commission**

Jack Calvin Farrand – June 30, 2014

Change from Associate to Regular Member to replace Scott Bocchio who resigned

**Council on Aging**

James Frati – June 2014

Change from Associate to Regular Member

Alice Haskell – June 30, 2014

Change from Associate to Regular Member

Theresa Cronin – June 30, 215

Harbor Management

Scott P. Howard – June 30, 2013

Charles J. Newman – June 30, 2013

**Motion by Councilor Boncore to accept Appointments**

**2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilor Sanford**

**Motion Passes Unanimously**

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Town Manager, Mr. McKenna informed the home viewers to turn to Channel 22 for the next Council Meeting.

**Motion to adjourn by Councilor Powers**

**2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilor DelVento**

**Motion Passes Unanimously**

Meeting Adjourned at 10:00

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A DVD of this meeting is available from WCAT

Public Documents used in this meeting are available in the Town Manager's Office.

**Documents used in this Meeting:**

Attorney Lane and Ilana Quirk Presentation: There's a New Game in Town: What Municipalities Need to Know About the Casino Legislation.

Citizens Finance Committee - Report of Finance Commission to Town Council – School

Department Request for Supplemental budget Transfer, May 15, 2012

Minutes of the DPW Subcommittee/*Vice President Varone*.

Minutes of the Public Health and Safety/*Councilor Powers*.

Minutes of the Finance Committee/*Councilor DelVento*.

Minutes of the Rules and Ordinance Committee/*Chairman Phil Boncore*

TITLE 15-Chapter 15.01 - Stretch Energy Code

Chapter 13.10 - Regulations Concerning Grease Trap Requirements for Food Establishments

Schedule of Ferry Service/Ferry Fees and Rate Structure/Operating Cost

Regional Contract for Fuel Procurement with Chelsea and other municipalities.

Memo of outstanding legal bills referred to Finance Committee.

Memo of Massport Runway work.

Respectfully submitted,  
Town Council Clerk  
Kathleen S. Hickey