

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING OF JANUARY 22, 2013

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilor Calla led the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Gill requests a Moment of Silence for Annette Fucillo and a Moment of Silence for MaryAnn Proksa (Town Mgr. McKenna's Mother in Law)

ROLL CALL

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

MINUTES

Motion by Vice President Varone to accept the circulated Revised Minutes of November 27, 2012

2nd. By Councilor DelVento

Passed Unanimously

Motion by Councilor Powers to accept the circulated Minutes of January 8, 2013

2nd. By Vice President Varone

Passed Unanimously

PUBLIC HEARING

Telephone Pole being installed on Bartlett Pkwy.

No Public Comment

Public Hearing Closed

President Gill acknowledges the presence of Terry Dolan of Verizon being there for any updates.

Dog License Fees Revision

No Public Comment

Public Hearing Closed

PUBLIC COMMENT

President Gill acknowledges the Fire Department in their involvement with their annual Christmas Event.

CORRESPONDENCE

Letter from the Students at WHS (See Attached)

"Free to Be" Day Assembly 1-29-13

Motion by Councilor DelVento to waive rule 2B as Motion for "Free to Be" Day not submitted in a timely manner.

2nd by Councilor Powers

Passed Unanimously

Motion by Councilor DelVento to proclaim Jan. 29, 2013 as a Free to Be Day

2nd by Councilor Powers

Passed Unanimously

Letter from the Bureau of Fisheries: Beaches that were closed previously for fishing are now open.

President Gill comments on a series of 9 correspondences from Guy Brandenstein.
With no objection, these will be filed as public record.

PRESENTATION FROM JOHN DEVILLARS, MANAGING PARTNER OF BLUE WAVE COMPANY

Alternate solar energy sources and purchasing of electricity. Advantages and disadvantages of changing to Blue Wave.
Information is available to public for viewing.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilor DelVento is working on Fees Schedule with Town Mgr. McKenna.
Vice President Varone - DPW Sub Committee met on Jan. 16, 2013 at the DPW Facility (See Attached Minutes).
Council Boncore-Rules and Ordinance have not met, have scheduled two meetings Feb. 12, 2013 and Feb. 26, 2013
President Gill requests council Public Safety Committee to be involved with the Rules and Ordinance agenda of Feb. 26, 2013.

President Gill updates on the School Building Committee meeting of Jan. 17, 2013 and that they have voted on a "preferred option", Option B for the Middle School / High School in a vote of 14-4.
President Gill commends council for attendance.

No Further Committee Reports

TOWN MANAGERS REPORT

Town Mgr. McKenna is out of town for personal reasons.
Chief Delehanty updates on most recent drug concerns in the town. He has been working on prescription drug overdoses and use especially in the increases of oxycodone drug use. We need all pharmacies to be able to check with one another, not just themselves. We need them to inter link with all pharmacies. His office is aggressively working on this.

DPW Director Calla updates on streetlights and repairs and who owns poles, wires, etc.
Councilor Mael-Would like to clear up how entire process of streetlights are handled, who owns or should be responsible for what.

CFO Tim Gordon gives update on free cash and when amounts will be available.
He is currently working on Sch. A to Mass DOR to get our certification of free cash.
Contract went out for the auditors of Powers and Sullivan, he will be contacting them to work with them on our audits.
He will be sending out his "format" to all department heads to start projecting expenses until 2016.
He has passed out information on the water and sewer liens.
He is proposing a new lien structure. He wants notifications sent out to homeowner of a water and sewer lien on their property.
Councilors and CFO Gordon discuss liens and amounts due.
CFO Gordon also discusses tax liens on properties.

OLD BUSINESS

Motion by Councilor Boncore Dog License Fees (See Attached Motion)
No Second Needed as Coming from Committee
Passed Unanimously

Motion by Councilor Boncore to Authorize the Town Manager to pay outstanding (FY 12) Legal Bill
(See Attached Motion)
2nd by Councilor DelVento
Roll Call Vote
7-2 (Councilor Sanford and Councilor Letterie Absent)
Passed Unanimously

NEW BUSINESS

With no objection President Gill will suspend reading of Motion by Town Mgr. McKenna regarding meter tampering (see attached) and refer to Rules and Ordinance.

Passed Unanimously

Motion by Councilor DelVento for a confirmatory vote to approve the installation of the pole on Bartlett Pkwy per the plans by Verizon.

2nd by Councilor Powers

Passed Unanimously

Councilor DelVento waives reading on *Motion of Medical Marijuana Hardship Registration* (See attached motion).

Motion by councilor DelVento to refer Motion of Medical Marijuana Hardship Registration to Rules and Ordinance.

2nd by Councilor Powers

Discussion by Councilor Mael as to how this benefits the people with the hardships.

Councilor DelVento that if this motion passes and you are growing marijuana at your house for yourself or as a caregiver, the police will have the authority to know this information and keep it under control. The state does not keep records. Chief Delehanty believes it is important to have a registry.

No Further Discussion

5-2 (Councilor Boncore-No, Councilor Mael-No)

Motion by Councilor DelVento on the Medical Marijuana Dispensary Temporary Moratorium (See Attached Motion)

2nd by Vice President Varone

Discussion-Councilor DelVento states this motion gives us until July 2, 2013 to look at issue and not be surprised by any changes. We should look into our local ordinances prior to the state regulations.

Motion by Vice President Varone to refer the Motion on the Medical Marijuana Dispensary Temporary Moratorium to Rules and Ordinance.

2nd by Councilor Powers

Discussion-Councilor Boncore asks if this is an emergency. Chief Delehanty reports there is time to get regulations in place.

No Further Discussion

Passed Unanimously

President Gill advises openings on Committees:

Historical Commission-Tree Committee-License Commission, if any public are interested please notify Town Clerk

MMA Meeting Reminder

Music Matters 2nd Annual Festival 2-12-13 at Lodge of Elks

Chamber of Commerce Awards Night 2-1-13 (See Attached Award Winners)

NO PUBLIC COMMENT

Motion to Adjourn by Councilor Calla

2nd By Councilor Boncore

Passed Unanimously

Meeting Adjourned at 8:50 PM

A DVD of this meeting is available from WCAT

Public Documents used in the meeting are available at Town Managers Office.

Documents Used in this Meeting:

Hand Written Notes

Committee Openings Documents

Roll Call Log

Written Motions / Verbal Motions

Respectfully submitted,
Town Council Clerk
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DPW Council Subcommittee

16 Jan, 2013

Present: Councilors Paul Varone, J. Larry Powers ,Craig Mael.

Also Present: Councilor Linda Calla, and DPW Director Steve Calla

Agenda:

Discussion of Radio Read Project

Discussion of Winthrop Street corridor improvement Project

Winter Parking/snow removal efforts

Meeting called to order At 6:10 pm By councilor Varone

Dpw Director Calla stated that Winthrop should receive MWRA approval of our 10 year 0% interest loan in about a month. This is the first \$750,000 of the project.

Approximately 4250 meters are planned to be installed in house by our DPW crew, yielding a significant savings to the Town. The larger meters will have to be subcontracted.

We discussed proposed manpower requirements of the job and Steve calla figures that six workers will take three years to complete the project. Also needed will be a temporary hire to handle the administration aspect. There will most likely be a \$125. Recovery charge assessed over twelve billing cycles to defray the cost of the project. Mr. Calla also stated that come FY 14 it may even be possible to bring the rates down.

Winthrop Street Corridor Improvement project: Director Calla attended a TIP seminar in Everett ,run by the State of Mass.

The Town still needs about \$125-\$140,000 to complete our portion of the engineering. The Towns of Lynn and Saugus have waited up to five years after completing their engineering. Councilor Powers speculated that it may not be their first Tip Project. This will be Winthrop's first

ever TIP project and hopes are that we will be approved in a more timely fashion.

Winter parking/snow removal : Councilor Varone asked if there were any unusual problems encountered in the last storm with regard to parking. Mr. Calla stated that it went fairly smoothly and people responded well. Councilor Powers added that the flashing blue lights are a courtesy to the public and restated the town ordinance about winter parking regulations. Councilor Mael added that parking requirements could also be included with residents tax bills ,and also when people got their parking stickers. Councilor Varone asked about the money spent on Snow removal and Mr. calla responded that \$40,000 has already been spent, about 70% of the budget for the year,with \$9000 spent on supplies and equipment.

Motion to adjourn: Councilor Powers
2nd : councilor Mael

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 pm

Respectfully Submitted,
Councilor Varone

Snow & Ice Supplies and Equipment Expenditures for FY13

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Precision Weather	Forecasting Services	\$895.00
G/J Towing	Towing svcs for 205 to Westboro	\$437.50
Camerota Truck	Transfer case /repairs 205	\$9865.00
Creedons Transmission	T-29 Transmission Work	\$2,719.46
Independent News	Advertisement (Plowers)	\$42.00
Sullivan tire	Snow tires (209)	\$707.14
Expert Auto	Transmission re-build (W-3)	\$1,489.00
Woodco Machinery	T-4 rim	\$1,262.45
TruGreen	Ice Melt	\$1,000.00
Pete's Tire	Tires (206)	\$500.00
Pete's Tire	Tires (CBH)	\$2,500.00
Mitchell1	Diagnostics Software (salters)	\$1,651.69
Don's Power Equipment	Salter hose	\$87.30
Sullivan Tire	Misc. Snow tires	\$1,634.92
Independent News	Advertisement (Shovelers)	\$70.00
Eastern Salt	240.66 Tons of road salt (1-7-13)	\$10,829.70
United Rentals	Compressor repair (ice removal)	\$915.52
Fleet Supply	Plow hydraulic fluid / plow lights	\$1,582.00
NITCO	WBH (Bearing / Seals / Adaptor)	\$770.23 (333.67 + 436.56)
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Chamber of Commerce

Youth Leadership

Jordan Corbett-Frank

Youth Leadership

Kelly Russo

Visual Achievement for the Wadsworth Building

Christopher Young

Visual Achievement for the Wadsworth Building

Robert Deeb

Town Service

Steven Calla

Coach of the Year

John J. Trainor

Excellence in the Arts

Joanne Hillman

Chamber Member of the Year

Judie VanKooiman

Lifetime Achievement

Diane Davis

Community Service

Winthrop Rotary Club

Business of the Year

Paesan's

Patriot Award

Richard Duval

2013 Award Recipients

Educational Excellence

Maria Flanagan

President 2011-2013 Winthrop Chamber of Commerce

Bernice MacIntyre