

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 Harvey Hearing Room

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Vice President Varone led the Pledge of Allegiance

ROLL CALL

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

MINUTES

Minutes for Oct. 1, 2013 will be held until Nov. 6, 2013 meeting

PUBLIC COMMENT

John Vitagliano (P5)- Updates the concerns about the traffic congestion while leaving Winthrop through E. Boston. This situation was discussed with the Boston Transportation Dept. and one of the solutions was to re-time the traffic light at Bennington St. and Saratoga, the results have been excellent. Orient Heights Station will be re-opening, allowing a better traffic flow.

John Ribeiro (P1)-Discusses concerns on the Casino vote of Nov. 5, 2013 and the fact that Winthrop has no vote on this issue. He has submitted a petition to put the Casino issue up for a State Wide Vote.

Council President rules out of order that the Councilors not be asked during a meeting to sign this petition but can be asked as individuals.

Council President Gill acknowledges Marc Waller's resignation from the Citizens Committee on Finance and recognizes his past services for the town and will present him with a citation.

A donation from Tink Martins Family was sent to town in her memory.

CORRESPONDENCE

Flu Clinic on Oct. 17 at Cummings School from 4-6, please bring Health Ins. Info.

COMMITTEE REPORTS-

Finance Committee-Oct. 7, 2013 Meeting

Transfer Motions \$60,000-Highway-Moved Forward Favorably

\$193,362-Pt. Shirley Drainage / Motion Forward to Council for Advertising to be voted on at Nov. 6, 2013 Meeting

\$500,000 from Free Cash / Motion Forward to Council for Advertising to be voted on at Nov. 6, 2013 Meeting

\$187,000 Ferry Acquisition / Tabled pending Economic Development Committee's report.

Motions Re: Stabilization Fund / All Grouped and a new Motion Written and was approved by Committee

Finance Commission - Water/sewer reserve / Nothing yet established / meeting on Wed. Oct. 16, 2013

TSAC-Delby's Corner / More to it, with sign and co-ordinance issues, Chief Delehanty will report on this.

Parking Main St. & Walden St./Chief Delehanty is discussing a sign issue in lieu of ordinance issue, a sign may be put at end of driveway on Main St.(corner of Main and Walden)

Economic Development -Oct. 10, 2013 Meeting

Potential of town purchasing new ferry, docking facilities, ferry terminal, potential subsidies, it is a sizeable investment, will be discussing further. Discussed campaigns and marketing Winthrop, traffic issues relative to Casino coming forward, going to bring motion to full Council in near future.

Rules & Ordinance-Will have a Meeting Monday Oct. 21, 2013 at 6:00 P.M.

Fiscal Capital Polity Committee

Home Rule Petition Regional 911

DPW Sub Committee-Oct. 9, 2013 Meeting

Discussion Cell Tower Placement-Too preliminary to determine effects

Discussion on Chap. 90 Funds going forward / FEMA drainage

Future Projects to be discussed- Cottage Hill/ Prospect Terrace Area / Francis St./ Sunnyside Ave/ Pico Area /Plumber Ave / Center and Grovers Ave area. Committee will determine some type of priority for these projects and costs.

Discussed Francis St. water main problem.

TOWN MANAGER REPORT

-Town Manager will be applying for the Economic Target Area status for Winthrop so that we will be included in the Chelsea and Revere Economic Development program to enable investors to open up businesses in Winthrop and get the benefit of a tax credit that are available through state programs. Winthrop currently does not have this opportunity. Our package will be put together and on the Agenda for the States Economic Assistance Coordinating Council at the Dec. 18, 2013 meeting. This will be quite beneficial for businesses investing in Winthrop.

-Process of developing a comprehensive Plan for the Town marketing , tourism and economic development. Doing analysis's with other communities to see how they market themselves with the City of Boston.

-E-Mail from Engineer of Beach Project and related activities within the next few months. Have full green light to move forward with complete beach project. Still awaiting bid elements and this will take time but Crest Ave parking is on their agenda first prior to moving sand.

-Cummings School Playground should be fixed by Friday.

-DPW Director Calla updates projects on Brookfield Rd., Seaview Ave and Governors Drive paving. Completing sidewalks.

-Leaf pickup dates are posted in phone book and on website.

-Chief Flanagan reports on Verizon double poles/ Landing sea wall repairs.

-CFO reports on audit, tax title attorney information, enterprise funds, evaluation on post employment benefits and free cash has been certified.

- Oct. 16, 2013 at the Susan B. Anthony Middle School in Revere 6:30-9PM , Speaker DeLeo will be discussing the problem regarding prescription drug misuse and overdoses.

-Make note that October is domestic violence month, on Oct. 17, 5:30 –7:00 P.M., the Harbor Cover and Winthrop Police Department are holding a candlelight vigil at the E.B Newton Cultural Center.

OLD BUSINESS

Siemens-Street Light Conversion to LED-Still under discussion.

Council President Gill suspends meeting to call for a Public Hearing that the Town Council transfer of \$60,000 from the General Fund Abatement and Exemptions Account....(See Attached Motion)

Discussion: Councilor Mael believes that Winthrop should invest in parking meters in certain areas of town.

Public Hearing Closed

Motion by the Finance Committee to transfer \$60,000 from the General Fund Abatement...(See Attached Motion)

No 2nd Needed as Coming From Finance

Passed Unanimously

Motion by the Finance Committee to Advertise as Public Hearing that the Town Council transfer \$193,362.00...

(See Attached Motion)

Motion by the Finance Committee to Advertise as Public Hearing that the Town Council transfer \$500,000.00 from available reserves...(See Attached Motion)

NEW BUSINESS

Motion by the Finance Committee that under Charter Section 2-2-d, a special Fiscal Capital Policy Committee be established.....(See Attached Motion)

Council President Gill refers this motion to Rules and Ordinance

Motion by Councilor DelVento that the Town Council transfer \$4,000.00 from Waterways Reserve Account.....

(See Attached Motion)

2nd By Councilor Boncore

Discussion: This security system is a valuable asset to our Ferry Terminal Building.

Passed Unanimously

Motion by Councilor DelVento that the Town Council transfer \$15,000.00 from the Town Council Reserve to the Facilities Maintenance Department....(See Attached Motion)
2nd by Councilor Mael
Passed Unanimously

The town is currently in discussions about the Suffolk Downs Casino of which cannot be discussed publicly as of yet.

PUBLIC RELATIONS / UPCOMING EVENTS

Next Town Council Meeting – November 6, 2013

Fall Forum-October 29, 2013-7:30PM at the Robert DeLeo Sr. Center-

Theme is where do we want our town to be 5 years from now?

Each department head has been asked to give their input for this discussion.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to Adjourn by Councilor DelVento

2nd By Councilor Sanford

Passed Unanimously

Meeting Adjourned at 8:10 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
Denise Quist



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OFFICE OF THE TOWN MANAGER

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James McKenna
Town Manager

MOTION

Submitted By: James McKenna, Town Manager

Date: 9/26/13

TEXT OF MOTION

Motion: I move that the Town Council transfer \$60,000.00 from the General Fund Abatement and Exemptions Account 01-221013 to the Highway Department Supplies and Equipment Account 0142052-542005 for the purposes of Walden Street parking lot improvements or take any other action relative hereto.

*MOTION BY FINANCE COMMITTEE
NO 2ND NEEDED AS COMING FROM FINANCE
PASSED UNANIMOUSLY*

Vote: PASSED - TC

Council President: _____

Date: 10-15-2013

Town Manager: _____

CFO: _____

TCF-023



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MOTION

Submitted By: James McKenna, Town Manager

Date: 9/26/13

TEXT OF MOTION

Motion: I move that the Town Council transfer \$193,362.00 from Free Cash to the Point Shirley Drainage FEMA Fund 513-359000 for the purposes of completing the Point Shirley Flood protection project or take any other action relative hereto.

*FINANCE COMM. MOTION TO ADVERTISE FOR PUBLIC HEARING
11-6-2013 TOWN COUNCIL MEETING*

Vote: ADVERTISE - TC

Council President: _____

Date: 10-15-2013

Town Manager: _____

CFO: _____

TCF-021



TOWN of WINTHROP

MOTION

Submitted By: Council President Gill

Date: 9-26-13

Article Number: _____

Subject: \$500,000 Town Stabilization Fund

TEXT of MOTION

I move that the Council take the necessary actions in conjunction with the Town Manager to transfer or appropriate from available reserves, (\$500,000.00) for the Town Stabilization Fund or take any other action relative thereto.

10-15-2013

FINANCE Comm. MOTION TO ADVERTISE FOR PUBLIC HEARING
11-6-2013 TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

TCF-016

TOWN of WINTHROP



MOTION

Submitted By: Finance Committee Date: October 10, 2013

Article Number: Subject: Fiscal Capital Policy Committee

TEXT of MOTION

That under Charter Section 2-2-d, a special Fiscal Capital Policy Committee be established to develop the criteria and protocols for a Capital Building Maintenance Stabilization account and Free Cash Funding Policy. This Committee shall have four nonvoting members and five voting members for nine members in total. The non-voting members shall be the Town Manager, Town Chief Financial Officer, Internal Auditor, and School Superintendent, or their designee. The voting members shall be the Chairperson of the Council Finance, Council Capital Assets, council Rules, Committees, the chairperson of the Citizens Finance Advisory Committee, and the Chair or the Winthrop School committee or their designee.

Vote: Refer to R+D-

Date: 10-15-2013

MOTION BY FINANCE COMM.
COUNCIL PRESIDENT WILL REFER
TO RULES ORDINANCE



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MOTION

Submitted By: James McKenna, Town Manager

Date: 10/10/13

TEXT OF MOTION

Motion: I move that the Town Council transfer \$4,000 from Waterways Reserve Account 7525-576100 to Capital Camera System Account 7525-580376 for purposes of completing the security system at the Ferry Terminal building or take any other action relative hereto.

*MOTION BY COUNSELLOR DELVENTO
2ND BY COUNSELLOR BONEORE
PASSED UNANIMOUSLY*

Vote: _____

Council President: _____

Date: 10-15-2013

Town Manager: _____

CFO: _____

TCF-022



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MOTION

Submitted By: James McKenna, Town Manager

Date: 10/10/13

TEXT OF MOTION

Motion: I move that the Town Council transfer \$15,000 from Town Council Reserve Account 0111052-576100 to the Facilities Maintenance Department for the purposes of funding the construction of the veterans, human resources and retirement offices at Town Hall or take any other action relative hereto.

*MOTION BY COUNSELLOR DELVERATO
2ND BY COUNSELLOR MAEL
PASSED UNANIMOUSLY*

Vote: _____

Council President: _____

Date: 10-15-2013

Town Manager: _____

CFO: _____

TCF-021