

## **TOWN COUNCIL MEETING OF JANUARY 23, 2014**

Under the Rules and Procedures of the Winthrop Town Council, President Gill called the Town Council Meeting to order at 7:00 at the Harvey Hearing Room

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Councilor Sanford called the Pledge of Allegiance

### **Moment of Silence for James Little**

### **ROLL CALL**

Councilor Calla	Present
Councilor Sanford	Present
Councilor Boncore	Present
Councilor Varone	Absent
Councilor Letterie	Present
Councilor Boyajian	Present
Councilor Mael	Present (7:25)
Vice President DelVento	Present
Council President Gill	Present

### **MINUTES**

**Motion by Vice President DelVento to accept the Minutes of January 7, 2014 as circulated**

**2<sup>nd</sup>. By Councilor Letterie**

**Passed Unanimously**

**Motion by Vice President DelVento to accept the Executive Minutes of January 7, 2014, as circulated**

**2<sup>nd</sup>. By Councilor Letterie**

**Passed Unanimously**

### **PRESENTATION**

**Oyster Shell Program** -Andrew Jay (Mass Oysters Projects) from the Inter Title Zone

Dick Lawton from Winthrop has been working on this project also

**CHA Consulting- Winthrop Corridor Program** - John Morgan / Robert Kahunis provides presentation of the reconstruction of Winthrop St., Revere St. and a small portion of Hermon St. (Information is available for public viewing)

**Capital Waste Services**-Mike Merullo discusses the new recycle bins given to Winthrop Residents.

These recycle bins will be in full force beginning in/around February 5, 2014

Use (old) blue bins in the house and take the recycle from inside home and put recycle into the new (bigger) recycle bins for pick up (yellow and blue "totes"). Each new bin has been designated to each household with a serial number and chip. Please be aware of where "totes" are put on "pick-up" day and try not to have cars in the way of picking up this recycling bin.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

David Osborne (P2)- Opposes the MWRA's new pilot program of their processing food waste with trucks coming through the town to Deer Island.

Bill Stafford (P6)-Opposes MWRA's trucks coming through Point Shirley.

Council advises citizens to document any "wrong-doing" of trucks coming in and out of Winthrop in route to Deer Island.

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

Town Manager to the Town Council explaining the MWRA Pilot Program to begin June 2014 (Food Waste)-

Town Manager McKenna has asked the MWRA for a complete schedule on how this pilot program will be working and how it will effect our community. Waste Management will be coordinating this new pilot program. (Public Information will be made available).

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**-Fiscal Capital Policy Committee**-Meeting was Tuesday 1-21-14 and Town Manager McKenna reports that policy has been reviewed, finalized and has been delivered to the Town Council for their approval. Vice President DelVento asks that each councilor read this policy as policy concept is something that has to be voted annually and if any thoughts of division of funds can be discussed. This will be advertised for public hearing.

**-Councilor Mael is working with DPW and Public Works on parking lots discussed previously.**

Would like to have public meeting for discussion on this subject.

**-Capital Assets**-Meeting will be scheduled.

## **TOWN MANAGER REPORT**

**-Beginning FY 15 Budget Process**

**-Health Needs Assessment Study**-(769 Responses to survey on the Town Web) Public response still needed and appreciated on this subject to help with the health needs of our community and develop programs to be more strategic in the long run.

**-Winthrop Zoning Review**-Need to review options that are being recommended on investment and redevelopment in our community. Would like to appoint a new committee to help with this development.

**-Town Manager McKenna reports on Temple project...**neighborhood issues are being discussed.

**-Discusses Ferry and different options** that our community may be eligible for.

**-Continue our search in installing vending machines** at the Ferry Terminal.

**-Investigate working with other Ferry Providers** on the upcoming season.

**-CFO Report**-Tim Gordon updates on Financial Information.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Transfers have been referred to the Finance Committee

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Town Manager McKenna was approached about providing relief in parking for residents that move to Winthrop but use company cars. He would like to expand the courtesy of allowing these residents to obtain parking stickers.

President Gill reads the motion and inserts after residents of Winthrop who drive... "Personal Passenger Vehicles which are either company owned or leased" and remove just "company vehicles"

**Motion by Councilor Sanford that the Town Council amend chapter 10, section 48 of the Town Ordinances, Resident Parking Sticker Program....(See Attached Motion)**

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

Discussion

Councilor Calla asks if there will be an increase in the sticker price?

Once referred to Rules and Motion, changes can be made to original motion.

**Motion by Councilor Letterie to refer to Rules and Motion**

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

**Passed Unanimously**

**Motion by Councilor Calla to refer to Rules and Motion Committee that the Town Council approve the relocation of voting locations and add at the end of motion...."said move to be contingent upon the School Committee"**  
**(See Attached Motion)**

Discussion

The intention is to do this move temporarily but not sure of length of time.

**2<sup>nd</sup> by Vice President DelVento**

**Passed Unanimously**

**Motion by Councilor Letterie to refer to the Finance Committee that the Town Council Authorizes to rescind authorized unissued borrowing as listed below....(See Attached Motion)**

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

**Passed Unanimously**

**Motion by Vice President DelVento that the Town Council approves the provisions of MGL Chapter 44, Section 31D...(See Attached Motion)**

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

**Discussion**

Councilor Mael discusses authorizing funds immediately on this subject.

This motion allows this but at this point not sure of exact figure.

Vice President DelVento agrees but at this point, make motion and then have Town Manager further investigate what this expense is. At that time start paying the invoice and keep up with the deficit.

This motion authorizes payment of current deficit and any further deficit of this particular account(snow and ice removal)

**Passed Unanimously**

**Motion by Councilor Sanford that the Town appropriates \$15,163.41 from the Waterways Retained Earnings Fund 752 to the Federal Earmark Pier Fund 509...(See Attached Motion)**

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

**Passed Unanimously**

**Motion by Councilor Sanford that the Town Council transfer \$2,550.00 from the Town Council Reserve for the purposes of funding the 2% wage adjustment to the Town Mangers Salary...(See Attached Motion)**

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

**Passed Unanimously**

**Motion by Vice President DelVento that the Town Council transfer \$24,000.00 from the Town Council Reserve to cover the additional legal costs due to the expense of ongoing legal matters....(See Attached Motion)**

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

**Motion by Vice President DelVento to waive Rule 2B in reference to this motion**

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

**Passed 7-1 (Councilor Boncore-No)**

**Motion by Councilor Boncore to refer this motion to the Finance Committee**

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

**Passed Unanimously**

**Reserve Fund Proposal referred to the Finance Committee and awaiting recommendation of advertising from the Finance Committee**

**Motion by Vice President DelVento that the Order of this Council adopted on November 19, 2013, providing funds for the Middle/High School Building Project, so-called, is hereby amended in its entirety to provide as follows: (See Attached Motion)**

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

**Motion by Councilor Sanford to refer this motion to the Finance Committee at which time, they will advise advertisement and hearing**

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

**Passed Unanimously**

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

-Winthrop Chamber of Commerce is holding their 23rd Annual Kick-Off Dinner and Awards Night on Saturday, February 1, 2014 at the Hyatt Harborside at Logan Airport. Reception and cocktails at 6:30pm, dinner and the awards ceremony is at 8:00pm. Tickets are \$45.00

-Tax Bills due February 3, 2014

-Metaphysical Messages with Linnea Star, Psychic Medium, at the Winthrop High School Auditorium on Thursday, February 6, 2014, 5:45pm - \$25.00 for adults and \$20.00 for students.

-Bone marrow drive at the Winthrop Elks on Saturday, January 25th from 10:00am-2:00pm.

-Neighbor to Neighbor will be advertising fundraisers

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion to Adjourn by Vice President DelVento**

**2<sup>nd</sup> By Councilor Boncore**

**Passed Unanimously**

**Meeting Adjourned at 9:30 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



# TOWN OF WINTHROP

## OFFICE OF THE TOWN MANAGER

Town Hall, 1 Metcalf Square, Winthrop, MA 02152 Telephone: 617-846-1077 Fax: 617-846-5458

James McKenna  
Town Manager

### MOTION

Submitted By: James McKenna, Town Manager

Date: 1/16/14

### TEXT OF MOTION

I move that the Town Council approve the provisions of MGL Chapter 44, Section 31D, which allows the town to incur liability and make expenditures in excess of available appropriations for snow and ice removal during fiscal year 2014; or take any action relative to thereto.

Vote:

PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

Date:

1-23-2014

*MOTION BY V.P. Delvento ...  
2ND BY Councilor Ketterer*

*T.M. LOOK INTO WHAT SPENT TO DATE  
THIS GIVES ABILITY TO INCUR BILL...  
AUTHORIZATION TO PAY DEFICIT  
P.U.*

TCF-039



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**James McKenna**  
**Town Manager**

### MOTION

Submitted By: James McKenna, Town Manager

Date: 1/23/14

### TEXT OF MOTION

Motion: I move that the Town appropriate \$15,163.41 from the Waterways Retained Earnings Fund 752 to the Federal Earmark Pier Fund 509 for the purposes of funding the interior and exterior punch list items for the Ferry Terminal building and remaining expenses relative to the project, or take any action relative to thereto.

*MOTION BY COUNCILLOR SANFORD  
2nd By COUNCILLOR CALLA*

Vote: Passed Unanimously

Council President: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: 1-23-2014

Town Manager: \_\_\_\_\_

CFO: \_\_\_\_\_

TCF-037



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James McKenna  
Town Manager

## MOTION

Submitted By: James McKenna, Town Manager

Date: 1/23/14

## TEXT OF MOTION

Motion: I move that the Town Council transfer \$2,550.00 from the Town Council Reserve Account 0111052-576100 to the Town Manager Personnel Line Item 0111251-511100 for the purposes of funding the 2% wage adjustment to Town Manager's salary; or take any action relative to thereto.

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Vote:

PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

Council President:

Date:

1-23-2014

Town Manager:

CFO:

*MOTION BY COUNCILOR SANCHEZ  
2nd BY COUNCILOR LETTERIE*

*TCLF-035*

# TOWN of WINTHROP



## MOTION

Submitted By: James McKenna, Town Manager    Date: January 23, 2014

## TEXT of MOTION

I move that the Town Council transfer \$24,000 from the Town Council Reserve Account 0111052-576100 to the Town Attorney Contract Services Line Item 0115152-544350 to cover the additional legal costs due to the expense of ongoing legal matter, or take any other action hereto.

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1-23-2014

Motion by Vice President DelVento to waive Rule 2B

2<sup>nd</sup>. by Councilor Boyajian

Passed 8-1 (Councilor Boncore-No)

Motion by Councilor Boncore to refer to the Finance Committee

2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilor Letterie

Passed Unanimously

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# TOWN of WINTHROP

## MOTION

Submitted By: Councilor Craig Mael

Date: January 7, 2014

Subject: Town Parking Lots

## TEXT of MOTION

A motion is made directing the Town Council to discuss the feasibility of making the newly paved parking lots adjacent to the Pond Street Park, The Dalrymple School, The Larsen Rink and the Crest Avenue Parking lot and extension fee paid parking facilities. Included in this new fee would be parking in the George Street lot.

The discussion would be to instruct the Town Manager to create a new parking sticker enabling parking in the lot from 6:00pm-8:00am daily. The automobile must exit the parking lot for snow removal in a reasonable manner. Violators to snow conditions will be subjected to ticketing and towing. Each parking sticker will enable the registered automobile to have a single reserved spot in the lot. The charge will be an annual rate of \$375.00. The rate is in effect from January 1 - December 31 and will be pro-rated by the month. Motorcycles must also be registered for the lot. The space will be leased to the automobile provided all state and local taxes are paid in full. A valid paid Massachusetts automobile excise tax is required but does not have to be issued by the Town of Winthrop.

All money from this parking program will be used to fund a Parks and Recreation Department sponsored program to establish a Khan Academy or other early learning programming. Parental funding will be required for a portion of the programming in line with other Parks and Rec. guidelines. The fund may also be used to fund MCAS, SAT, Character, Wilderness or Parenting programming as deemed valuable by the Superintendent of Schools

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1-7-14

This motion is referred by President Gill to the DPW, asking the cooperation from Economic Development and whatever other committees that seem appropriate, and will discuss in an open session

TCF-034

# TOWN of WINTHROP



## MOTION

Submitted By: Carla Vitale, Town Clerk    Date: January 28, 2014

Article Number:                      Subject: Relocations of Voting Locations

## TEXT of MOTION

Motion: In accordance with MGL C. 54, Section 24, the Winthrop Town Council now designates the Cummings School as the voting location for Precincts 1-2 & 5.

*1-23-14 - MOTION BY COUNCILOR CALLA TO REFER TO RULES & ORDINANCE  
AND BY VICE PRESIDENT DELVENTO  
PASSED UNANIMOUSLY*

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2-4-2014

Motion by Councilor Boncore

No 2<sup>nd</sup>. Needed as Coming from Rules and Ordinance

TC-021



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James McKenna  
Town Manager

### MOTION

Submitted By: James McKenna, Town Manager

Date: 1/14/14

### TEXT OF MOTION

Motion: I move that the Town Council authorize to rescind authorized unissued borrowing as listed below:

Purpose	Date of Vote	Article Number	Amount Authorized	Issued Retired Rescinded	Unissued 6/30/2013
Water Meters (Radio Read)	03/10/05	9	600,000.00		600,000.00
Sewer Inflow/Infiltration	05/26/05	7	172,000.00		172,000.00
Slope Stabilization Bonds	12/04/07	7	500,000.00		500,000.00
Sewer	08/20/08		266,000.00	265,650.00	350.00
Water	12/06/11		554,600.00		554,600.00
Sewer	12/06/11		102,500.00	56,375.00	46,125.00
					\$1,873,075

, or take any action relative to thereto.

1-23-2014

MOTION BY COUNCILLOR KETTERIE TO REFER  
TO THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

AND BY COUNCILLOR BOYAJIAN