

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 15, 2015

Under the Rules and Procedures of the Winthrop Town Council, President Gill called the Town Council Meeting to order at 7:05 PM at the Harvey Hearing Room

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilor DelVento leads the Pledge of Allegiance

Town Manager McKenna along with Chief Flanagan introduces two new appointees to the Winthrop Fire Department

James Fucillo

Nick Leonard

ROLL CALL

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

MINUTES

Motion by Councilor Boncore to accept the Town Council Minutes of September 1, 2015, as circulated

2nd by Councilor Letterie

Passed Unanimously

CITATION

Lee Dzedulionis

PRESENTATION

Parks Committee

Linda Brassard discusses positive reviews of the parks and the current progress
10-31-15 Register to walk the Dogs/Dress up for Halloween
11-28-15 8:30 Registration-Register for Turkey Trot 10:00 AM Race Begin
Memorial Bricks still available for any playground
Rubber Surfacing is being discussed for Daw- Pico and Pond St.
Contact WinthropParks.org for any information

PUBLIC COMMENT

Dawn Manning (P3) comments on condition of parks and maintenance

Superintendent Macero-

- Winthrop High School and Winthrop Middle School names will remain the same.
- Discusses the Renovation of the Miller Field Facility should be on the ballot for the community to decide.
- There is budgeted funding for the maintenance of the Winthrop Parks and current conditions are being discussed for maintaining on a continuing basis
- Lee Dzedulionis (P4)-Comments that Ingleside Park does not have a handicap swing
- Chief Delehanty-Comments that Miller Field needs to be addressed, especially with the new school
Taxpayers are not paying any more money towards these renovations, we are just asking the taxpayers to vote on a re-authorization of a loan amount that already exists.
It is important the tax payers know this prior to the vote.
- Tom Reilly (P5) Discusses the MWRA agreement and how strong the opposition that existed in the MWRA and how difficult it was for this agreement to be delivered to the Town of Winthrop. We are very lucky they approved the current Mitigation Agreement as other towns have not been granted any agreements and the Town deserves congratulations on this agreement.
- MaryAlice Sharkey (P2)-Comments on how beautiful the parks in Winthrop look and the Center of Town.
Requests funding needed to get school up to the standards of the new building.

CORRESPONDENCE

President Gill reads letter received from Fred Lasky, Executive Director of the MWRA in reference to the MWRA Mitigation Agreement-Copy available upon request

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance Committee Meeting-September 14, 2015 6:30 PM

Establish policy of depositing \$50,000 from the MWRA Mitigation Payment-

Committee has put this motion on hold until further notice

Miller Field Athletic Field Renovation Appropriation-To Be Discussed Further Through Town Council

Place holder on ballot for a debt exclusion

Transfer \$7,000/Traffic Study-Gorman Fort Banks School-**Positive Recommendation**

Rules & Ordinance Meeting to be held on Sept. 29, 2015 at 6:30

Transient Housing

Transient Vendors

TOWN MANAGER REPORT

-Update on Ferry

Final staging on boat fitting

Series of tests-Coastguard

Expected delivery first week in October

Boston Harbor Cruise to perform two months of trial service and training

-Meeting Scheduled for Sept. 16, 2015 to review preliminary geological and soils evaluation for

Drainage and Project Plans for Lewis Lake, Veterans Rd. and Miller Field

-Proposed Funding for Miller Field

-Proposed Peer Review for Plan for Traffic Improvements-Kennedy Drive

-Town Hall exterior work

-Seamans to start street light work first week of October

-Filed Grant Application with Seaport Economic Council for \$1 Mil for Belle Isle Walk and Ecology Park

-Energy Manager to start in October-Grant Funded Position to be shared with the City of Chelsea.

-Chief Delehanty discusses the traffic issue currently at the Gorman Fort Banks and why we need the study

OLD BUSINESS

Motion by Councilor to postpone the motion until the October 6, 2015 Town Council Meeting that the Town Council approve the Petition PJP Realty Trust, LLC to amend the Town of Winthrop Zoning Map so as to include 15-17 Walden St. Street as a Neighborhood meeting is being held on September 22, 2015...(See Attached Motion)

2nd by Councilor Boncore

Discussion

Mr. Soper requested answers to questions asked in reference to this SDOD

President Gill reads answers to questions from Attorney Lane

Passed 7-1 (Councilor Varone-No)

Deliberation will continue at the next Town Council Meeting on October 6, 2015.

Motion by the Finance Committee to table the motion to deposit \$50,000 of the annual MWRA Mitigation payment into a dedicated account...(See Attached Motion)

Motion will be removed from Old Business

Motion by the Finance Committee to continue the motion to appropriate \$2,500,000 for the purpose of financing the renovation of Miller Field for further discussion within the Finance Committee

Motion will continue on Old Business

Motion by the Finance Committee with a positive recommendation to transfer \$7,000 for a Traffic Study at the Gorman Fort Banks School...(See Attached Motion)

No 2nd Needed

Discussion

Motion by Councilor Boncore to postpone this motion until cost of additional traffic studies are determined

2nd by Councilor Varone

Passed (5-3) (Councilor Letterie-No Councilor DelVento-No Councilor Calla-No)

NEW BUSINESS

Motion by Councilor Boncore that the Town Council vote to adopt MGL Chapter 41, Section 108

2nd by Councilor Varone

Passed Unanimously

Motion by Councilor Letterie that the Town Council appoint Giusti, Hingston & Co. as the internal auditor...(See Attached Motion)

2nd by Councilor DelVento

Discussion

Motion by Councilor DelVento to change main motion term to 12-31-2016

2nd by Councilor Varone

Amended Motion withdrawn by Councilor DelVento

2nd withdrawn by Councilor Varone

Main Motion as presented

Passed Unanimously

PUBLIC COMMENT

-Dawn Manning (P3)-Discusses looking from Ferry job descriptions

Town Manager McKenna addresses her concerns to the Harbormaster

-Ferry Terminal Building Coffee with a Cop 6-8 PM Thursday September 17, 2015

-Flu Vaccine at Golden Drive 9-3PM-Bring Ins. Card

-Chief Flanagan introduces the "hydrant markers" which can be adopted by citizens for \$20.00 to avoid any problems with the hydrants being found if snow covering them.

PUBLIC RELATIONS

Boardman St. /McClellan Hwy Intersecting Improvement

9-16-15-Winthrop Chamber Taste of Winthrop-WYC

9-20-15 Neil Shapiro Run

9-27-15 Chamber of Commerce Harvest Festival 4-7PM

9-28-15-DCR Public Meeting – DeLeo Sr. Center 6:30 – 8:30 PM

10-20-2015 Fall Forum-DeLeo Sr. Center

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to Adjourn by Councilor Letterie

2nd By Councilor Boyajian

Passed Unanimously

Meeting Adjourned at 9:15 PM

A DVD of this meeting is available from WCAT / www.youtube.com

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

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James McKenna
Town Manager

TEXT OF MOTION

Submitted By: Town Manager Date: 8/27/15

Subject: Renovation of Miller Field Athletic Facility

TEXT OF ORDER

That \$2,500,000 is appropriated for the purpose of financing the renovation of the Miller Field Athletic Facility, including all costs incidental or related thereto; that to meet this appropriation the Treasurer with the approval of the Town Manager is authorized to borrow \$2,500,000 and issue bonds or notes of the Town under Chapter 44, Section 7(25) of the General Laws; or pursuant to any other enabling authority; that the Treasurer with the approval of the Town Manager is authorized to borrow and apply for any grants or aid available for the project or for the financing thereof, which grants and/or aid shall be expended for the project in addition to the amount appropriated and borrowed under this order; and that the Town Manager is authorized to acquire by purchase, eminent domain or otherwise, such rights, titles and easements as they may be necessary for such purpose, to abandon such rights, titles and easements as are no longer required, to expend all funds available for the project and to take any other action necessary or convenient to carry out the project; or take any other action relative thereto.

9-1-15

Motion by Councilor Boncore to refer to the Finance Committee

2nd by Councilor Sanford

Passed Unanimously

9-15-15

Motion by the Finance Committee to continue the motion to appropriate \$2,500,000 for the purpose of financing the renovation of Miller Field for further discussion within the Finance Committee

Motion will continue on Old Business



TOWN of WINTHROP

MOTION

Submitted By: Town Manager

Date: August 27, 2015

Subject: Traffic Study

MOTION

TEXT of MOTION

Motion: that the Winthrop Town transfer \$7,000.00 from the Town Council Reserve for a Traffic Study at the Gorman Fort Banks School; or take any other action relative thereto

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Motion by Councilor Varone to refer to the Finance Committee

2nd by Councilor Letterie

Passed 8-1 (Vice President Mael-No)

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Discussion

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MOTION

Submitted By: Councilor DelVento

Date: 8-4-15

TEXT OF MOTION

Motion: I move that Town Council establish a policy of depositing \$50,000 of the annual MWRA Mitigation payment into a dedicated account for the exclusive use of issues related to the MWRA Truck Route; or take any action relative to thereto.

8-4-15

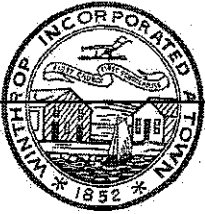
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2nd by Councilor Boyajian

Discussion

Passed Unanimously

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Motion is still in review with the Finance Committee



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MOTION

Submitted By: James McKenna, Town Manager

Date: 9/10/15

TEXT OF MOTION

MOTION: I move that the Town Council vote to adopt MGL Chapter 41, Section 108P;
or take any other action relative thereto.

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2nd by Councilor Varone
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MOTION

Submitted By: Town Manager

Date: 9/10/15

TEXT OF MOTION

Motion: I move that the Town Council appoint Giusti, Hingston & Co. as the internal auditor in accordance with Sec. 2-8C of the Town of Winthrop Charter for a term to expire June 30, 2016 or take any other action relative hereto.

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