

## TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

December 19, 2013

quorum being duly present, Council President Debra Dagwan called the December 19, 2013, Town Council meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Hearing Room of Town Hall, 367 Main St., Hyannis, MA.

**PRESENT**: Ann Canedy, Frederick Chirigotis, James Crocker, Jr., William Crocker, Jr., Jennifer Cullum, Sara Cushing, Debra Dagwan, Jessica Rapp Grassetti, Paul Hebert, John Norman, James Tinsley, Jr., Philip Wallace. **Absent**: Eric Steinhilber

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Dagwan. During a moment of silence Councilor Canedy, asked for everyone to remember Eric Steinhilber and his family at this very difficult time.

**Performance by the Barnstable High School Chamber Chorus with Choral Director, Marcia J. Wytrwal -** The Chorus provided wonderful harmonies with some old favorites, and a new twist on the Christmas songs.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT:

- Clayton Palmer stated we should not appropriate the funds for parking meters. Seems like a horrible policy, we could raise taxes for homeowners or get this money from tourists.
- Laura Kelly told the Council about the toxic herbicides that NStar is preparing to use on its rights-of-way. We are still in the comment period for 2014 to protect our Cape Cod Aquifer. Please send another letter out to stop the spraying.

Close public comment

#### COUNCIL RESPONSE TO PUBLIC COMMENT

- Parking Item on the agenda tonight
- Can't take this lightly, put our energies behind this effort
- Senator Wolf and Representative Mannal are working on this; we support their effort
- We may have an extension of the deadline to send letters, resubmit the letters now to show NStar we do not want the spraying
- Workshop with both sides of the issue
- Invite the County
- The town that abstained...Falmouth

A motion was made and duly seconded to resubmit last year's letter to NStar **VOTE: 11 yes, 1 abstention (J. Crocker)** 

ACT ON MINUTES: (Includes Executive Session)

Upon a motion duly made and seconded it was voted to approve the minutes of the December 5, 2013 meeting as written **VOTE: 12 Yes** 

# COMMUNICATIONS FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, STAFF, CORRESPONDENCE, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:

 Sewer work on High School road, have we notified the public; streetscape in Hyannis, looking for input; first Tuesday program, open to all at Centerville Library; Second Saturday at Marstons Mills Library, open to all; Senior Center Annual Holiday Dinner held on the 13th; 375<sup>th</sup> celebration project to bring past Councilors together.

An announcement was made by President Dagwan regarding the meeting being televised live and questioning if anyone was actively taping the session to please make their presence known. This session is recorded and broadcast on Channel 18.

#### 2014-044 ACCEPTANCE OF \$216,121.64 FY14 STATE 9-1-1 DEPARTMENT TRAINING AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL DISPATCH GRANT INTRO: 12/19/13

Chief Paul MacDonald gave the rationale.

**Councilor response**: We have been hearing about a Regional 911; emergency dispatch through the Barnstable Police department has worked well; reluctant to give up the control.

Upon a motion duly made and seconded it was

RESOLVED: That the Town Council hereby accepts a FY2014 State 911 Department Training and Emergency Medical Dispatch Grant award in the amount of \$216,121.64 from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Executive Office of Public Safety and Security **VOTE: Unanimous** 

#### 2014-045 APPROPRIATION ORDER - \$94,175 FROM THE BISMORE PARK SPECIAL REVENUE FUND FOR NEW PARKING STATION KIOSKS AT BISMORE PARK INTRO: 12/19/13

Refer to a public hearing on January 2, 2014

Upon a motion duly made and seconded it was to refer this item to a public hearing on January 2, 2014

ORDERED: That the sum of \$94,175 be appropriated for the purpose of funding new parking station kiosks and related costs for Bismore Park; and to meet this appropriation, that \$94,175 be transferred from the Bismore Park Special Revenue Fund.

VOTE: 12 Yes to refer to a public hearing on January 2, 2014

#### TOWN MANAGER COMMUNICATIONS: (Exhibit B)

- ✓ Assistant Town Manager, Mark Ells, attended LifeBridge in Salem to help the homeless population
- Assistant Town Manager, Mark Ells, attended an Advisory Board meeting of Cape Cod Regional Transit Authority

- ✓ Capital Improvement plan department meetings are in full swing
- ✓ 21<sup>st</sup> session of Inside Barnstable Town government, begins on February 5<sup>th</sup>

#### • 2014 Calendar of Meetings:

A motion was made and duly seconded to accept the 2014 Calendar of Meetings as written **VOTE: 12 Yes** 

#### Town Council Election of Officers:

Town Clerk, Ann Quirk opened the floor to the election of officers asking the Councilors to speak on behalf of the Candidates.

Councilor Canedy

- > Lots of knowledge, experience and talent on this Council
- Pressing and important issues before us
- > More workshops
- More consistency
- Likes the idea of succession
- > Withdrew her nomination and put her support behind Jessica Rapp Grassetti

Councilor Rapp Grassetti:

- Proudly accept the nomination
- > Will rely on the talents/abilities of the Council
- Openness and honesty

Councilor Chirigotis:

- Confirmed the growth of Dagwan in the position of President.
- Supports current leadership team as is
- Transition next year

Councilor Cullum:

- Loved working with Debra
- Appreciated that she built bridges
- Problem property ordinances worked with Canedy
- > Appreciates a group that doesn't always agree with each other

Councilor Wallace;

- > Would like us all to be glad of the outcome
- Move the Town Council forward

Councilor Dagwan:

- Important to stand on my record
- > Last year no one wanted to run for President of the Council
- Stepped up and faced the challenge
- > We all worked together on the Council
- Respect me, I have worked hard
- Don't strategize on how to keep me out
- Partisanism, racism, classism and negativism
- > Four more years on this Council, looking for leadership that is fair

### The Roll Call vote for President of the Town Council 2014:

|                      | Rapp Grassetti | Dagwan |
|----------------------|----------------|--------|
| Canedy               | Х              |        |
| Chirigotis           |                | Х      |
| Crocker, J           | Х              |        |
| Crocker, W           | Х              |        |
| Cullum               | Х              |        |
| Cushing              | Х              |        |
| Dagwan               |                | Х      |
| Rapp Grassetti       | Х              |        |
| Hebert               |                | Х      |
| Norman               | Х              |        |
| Steinhilber (Absent) |                |        |
| Tinsley              |                | Х      |
| Wallace              | Х              |        |
|                      |                |        |

#### Rapp Grassetti – 8 Dagwan – 4

#### The Roll Call vote for Vice President of the Town Council 2014:

|                     | Canedy  |
|---------------------|---------|
| Canedy              | Х       |
| Chirigotis          | Х       |
| Crocker, J          | X       |
| Crocker, W          | X       |
| Cullum              | Х       |
| Cushing             | Х       |
| Dagwan              |         |
| Rapp Grassetti      | X       |
| Hebert              | Х       |
| Norman              | Х       |
| Steinhilber(Absent) |         |
| Tinsley             | Abstain |
| Wallace             | Х       |

#### Canedy – 10

(Dagwan did not vote, Tinsley Abstained)

A motion was made and seconded to go into Executive Session to review an Open Meeting Law complaint filed with the Town Clerk on November 26, 2013 by Susan Limoncelli and Albert Russo, relating to the redaction on the basis of attorney-client privilege of certain portions of the released executive session minutes of February 16, 2012, and not to reconvene in Open Session.

VOTE: 11 Yes, Role Call (Norman left)

#### ADJOURNMENT:

Upon a motion duly made and seconded it was **VOTED to adjourn.** 

#### Unanimous Adjourned at 8:30 PM Respectfully submitted,

Ann M. Quirk, CMC Assistant Town Clerk – Town of Barnstable

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: January 2, 2013

Exhibits:

- A Protect Our Cape Cod Aquifer
- B Town Manager Communications