



## TOWN COUNCIL MEETING July 17, 2014



**A** quorum being duly present, Council President Jessica Rapp Grassetti called the July 17, 2014, Town Council meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Hearing Room of Town Hall, 367 Main St., Hyannis, MA.

An announcement was made by President Rapp Grassetti 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.

**PRESENT:** Ann Canedy, Frederick Chirigotis, James Crocker, Jr., (7:05) William Crocker, Jr., Jennifer Cullum, Jessica Rapp Grassetti, Paul Hebert, John Norman, Eric Steinhilber, James Tinsley, Jr., Philip Wallace. **ABSENT:** Sara Cushing and Debra Dagwan.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Rapp Grassetti, followed by a Moment of Silence for the Richard Scudder family and for former Councilor Richard Clark.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Elizabeth Wharf Bain, of Hyannis Main Street Business Improvement District, spoke about the Hyannis Day Center Collation Group receiving \$200,000 in funding from the State for the Day Center at the Noah Shelter. She mentioned the State was also going to increase their funding to Noah based on its evolving model regarding their clients and the community at large.

### **COUNCIL RESPONSE TO PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Councilor Cullum thanked Ms. Bain for updating Council and invited her to continue updating Council on these projects as it was a shared interest of Council.

Councilor Paul Hebert congratulated and thanked Ms. Bain on her fine work which included gathering all the diverse groups together to form a collation. He added the work was just beginning.

President Rapp Grassetti reordered the agenda taking the Report of the Human Services Committee by Chair Scott Fitzgerald before the Y Achievers Program by the YMCA Cape Cod Representative Stacie Peugh.

### **Report of the Human Services Committee**

Scott Fitzgerald, Chairman gave a presentation highlighting the issues and recent Barnstable incidents regarding substance abuse. He felt there was a need for a one stop resource center. He mentioned four points for achieving a successful one stop resource center which were: to continue recommending an online one stop resource center; to promote community conversation; support and expand the Youth Commission and attain Council support for the YMCA's Y-Achievers program.

### **Councilor Discussion and Comment:**

What were the hard numbers regarding the 44 percent increase from last year for addicted babies at the Cape Cod Community hospital? [The hard number was 62 babies born addicted last year at the hospital].

Council members hoped the surrounding towns would collaborate to increase awareness of this issue and continue to discuss all addiction related issues.

### **The Y Achievers Program**

Stacie Peugh, YMCA Cape Cod Representative spoke about the growing need for teen services. She explained 13.1 percent of Barnstable citizen's were living below the poverty level. She felt the Y Achievers was a great program to reach these at risk children and help them to a better life through higher education and ultimately better paying jobs.

### **Councilor Discussion and Comment:**

Council discussed how to engage other groups to help these children. It was suggested contacting Bob Smith as he had a successful fatherhood group. Council supported the consistency of the Town and the YMCA working together. It was suggested forming focus groups to help identify ways to raise seed money for the program. What is the projected 2015 budget? It is \$97,000 for 13 students and eventually with 30 students the cost will be \$109,000.

<b>2015-04 RATIFICATION OF TWENTY-FIVE YEAR LEASE OF THE HYANNIS ARMORY TO 225 SOUTH STREET, LLC INTRO: 07/17/2014</b>
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### **Presentation by Hyannis Armory Lessee**

David Lawler, Esq., representing the applicant, discussed the restoration and improvement ideas for the armory building. He then introduced Chad Doe, developer for the project. He explained his work relationship with Barry Clifford over the last two years regarding this project. What was the target date for opening? [It was prior to Memorial Day]. Mr. Doe mentioned there was going to be a Kennedy room in the front of the museum which would be open to the public at no charge. Mr. Doe added the artifacts in this museum were from shipwrecks of Kidd, Blackbeard and the Great Mohammad as well as the Whydah. The cost to attendees was \$10 for children and \$15 for adults. Council wanted the armory to be able to pursue National Registry regardless of the revisions. Mr. Lawler felt the applicants changes were not significant and would not interfere with obtaining National Registry status. Mr. Ellis discussed the rent lease timetable. Council discussed parking for the armory. Mr. Lawler mentioned there were 46 parking spaces available outside the armory with offsite parking and trolley parking as well. He felt their peak business times were weekends and after work hours on weeknights.

### **Councilor Discussion and Comment:**

What is the target date for opening? [Opening Prior to Memorial Day] Refurbishing the armory will that jeopardize national recognition if the Town pursues national registrar for the building? [No significant changes to the building] Council concerned with parking plan. [Ample parking in museum and primetime is weekends and evenings] Mark Ellis, Assistant Town Manager, discussed the Request for Proposal process and lease timetable. Council questioned improvements, fixtures, district tax and lease liability. [If the Town Attorney was comfortable with language then Council would be comfortable] Questions arose regarding maintenance, insurance, and assignment lease. Language and all references "to be called Real Pirates" will be eliminated. The lease will be modified by the Town Attorney and the changes will be ratified by the Town Manager.

Upon a motion that was duly made and seconded it was

**RESOLVED:** That the Town Council ratifies the lease concluded by the Town Manager pursuant to Section 3 of Chapter 40 of the General Laws of the building and associated land known as the Hyannis Armory for a term of twenty-five (25) years to 225 South Street, LLC to operate a museum consisting of an archeological exhibit and education center as recommended by the RFP committee.

**VOTE: Passes Unanimous**

**Chair Nancy Richards – Report of the Cable Advisory Committee**

Nancy Richards discussed the Cable Advisory Committee. She mentioned the committee was meeting four times a year with an upcoming new contract window in 2016. She added a new contract was needed in 2019. She was questioned about the election debates and said letters would go out to all who were running with contact information for Media Center in Dennis.

**Councilor Discussion and Comment:**

Council inquired about negotiations for senior discounts. [The Cable Advisory Committee unfortunately cannot help in that area].

**ACT ON MINUTES:** Upon a motion duly made and seconded it was voted to approve the minutes of the June 19, 2014 meeting as written.

**VOTE: Passes Unanimous**

**COMMUNICATIONS – from elected officials, boards, committees, staff, commission reports, correspondence and announcements**

The Councilors had many events to announce including:

- ❖ Letter from Steven Grossman regarding the Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station and the extension to its license
- ❖ August 3 – 10, 2014 Centerville Old Home Week
- ❖ Council received thank you card for the \$60,000 to fund the playground
- ❖ Barnstable 375<sup>th</sup> gifts available and on sale at the Town Clerk’s Office.

**ORDERS OF THE DAY:**

<b>2014-186A</b> <b>REAPPOINTMENTS TO A BOARD/COMMITTEE/COMMISSION</b> <b>INTRO: 06/19/14, 07/17/14</b>
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**Councilor Discussion and Comment:**

Questions regarding three members who were commercial permitted. [Language states “no more than” commercial and family members maximum 6] Ruth Weil, Town Attorney explained there was flexibility in at large membership slots. The Town was looking for membership diversity.

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Council reappoint the following individual to a member board/committee/ commission:

**SHELLFISH COMMITTEE COMMITTEE**

Frances Parks, 167 Eaglestone Way, Cotuit as a human services representative member to a term expiring 6/30/2017

**VOTE: Passes Unanimous**

**2015-001 ACCEPTANCE OF GIFT OF SIX (6) BEACH WHEELCHAIRS FROM THE SMILE MASS (SMALL MIRACLES IN LIFE EXIST) ORGANIZATION FOR KEYES (SEA STREET), KALMUS, WEQUAQUET, HAMBLIN'S, HATHAWAY'S AND SANDY NECK BEACHES  
INTRO: 07/17/14**

Lynne Poyant, Director Community Services, shared a letter and photo regarding the great help the beach wheelchairs have been to people. She added each beach will have a beach wheelchair.

**RESOLVED**, Acceptance of a gift from the SMILE Mass (Small Miracles in Life Exist) organization for six (6) beach wheelchairs for Hamblin's; Hathaway; Keyes (Sea Street); Kalmus; Sandy Neck; and Wequaquet Beaches.

A motion was made and duly seconded to move the amended motion (below)

**VOTE: Passes Unanimous**

**2015-002 ACCEPTANCE OF A \$5,090.79 GIFT FROM THE FRIENDS OF THE BARNSTABLE COUNCIL ON AGING TO SUPPORT THE PART-TIME VAN DRIVER POSITION FOR THE BARNSTABLE SENIOR SERVICES DIVISION  
INTRO: 07/17/14**

Lynne Poyant, Director Community Services, explained the Barnstable Council on Aging had been the beneficiary of money from the estate of Virginia Gorse. Ms. Gorse had utilized the Silver Express and felt it was a lifeline for her. The Council determined the best use of the money was to help fund the part-time van driver position.

**RESOLVED**, Acceptance of a \$5,090.79 gift from the Friends of the Council of Aging to the Senior Center for the purposes of funding transportation services (a part-time van driver) for senior citizens at the Senior Center

A motion was made and duly seconded to move the amended motion (below)

**VOTE: Passes Unanimous**

**2015-003 ACCEPTANCE OF A \$62,000 MASSACHUSETTS PRESERVATION PROJECTS FUND GRANT THE UNITED STATES CUSTOM HOUSE  
INTRO: 07/17/14**

Dan Santos, Director of Public Works, discussed the work and grant.

**Councilor Discussion and Comment:**

If we do not receive the grant do we have enough in the CIP to fund the repairs? [The Town had enough money due to leveraging funds and now we have matching funds].

A motion was made and duly seconded to move the amended motion (below)

**VOTE: Passes Unanimous**

**TOWN MANAGER COMMUNICATIONS:**

- JULY 4<sup>TH</sup> EVENTS
- COMMUNITY IMPACT
- PEDESTRIAN TRAFFIC FLOW
- JET BLUE AIRPORT ARRIVAL
- 375<sup>TH</sup> LIGHTED STRUCTURE RELOCATING AROUND THE TOWN OF BARNSTABLE
- E-PERMITTING
- HANOVER TOUR (MARK ELLIS ATTENDING)
- JULY 7<sup>TH</sup> – 4 SEASONAL EMPLOYEES RECOGNIZED

- DISC GOLF OPPORTUNITIES
- RETIREMENT FOR LISA PETERSON
- NEW HIRES DISCUSSION WITH TOWN ATTORNEY
- JULY 15<sup>TH</sup> SENIOR CENTER STAFF – NEEDS ASSESSMENT
- UPCOMING DISCUSSIONS - TRASH NEXT WEEK AND SHOTTING RANGE

**Councilor Discussion and Comment:**

Vice-President Canedy mentioned attending the State Cultural Districts on Wednesday, June 25, 2014. Councilor Crocker (Jim) thanked Lieutenant Clark. President Rapp Grasseti said there was a 6:00 p.m. Trash Meeting Workshop Staff would attend but there would be no public comment.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Upon a motion duly made and seconded it was

**VOTED to adjourn.**

**Unanimous**

**Adjourned at 10:09 PM**

Respectfully submitted,

Janet E. Murphy

Assistant Town Clerk – Town of Barnstable

**NEXT REGULAR MEETING: August 7, 2014**

**EXHIBITS**

- A Human Services Committee Presentation
- B Y Achievers Presentation