



Town Council Meeting
February 15, 2018



A quorum being duly present, Council President Eric Steinhilber called the February 15, 2018, 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 Steinhilber 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: Britt Beedenbender, James Crocker, Jr., Jennifer Cullum, Debra Dagwan, John Flores, Jessica Rapp Grasseti, Paul Hebert, Matthew Levesque, Paul Neary, Paula Schnepf, Eric Steinhilber, James Tinsley, Jr., Philip Wallace.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Steinhilber followed by a moment of silence for the victims, family, friends, teachers, coaches and school administrators from the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Florida shooting.

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2018-062 RESOLVE AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO SUBMIT DOWNTOWN HYANNIS GROWTH INCENTIVE ZONE APPLICATION TO THE CAPE COD COMMISSION INTRO: 02/01/2018, 02/15/18

President Steinhilber explained the Town had received notice from the hotel owner that they were rescinding their interest in being part of the Growth Incentive Zone (GIZ) and the Cape Cod Commission was unsure of the new regulations regarding the GIZ. Council felt at this time it was best to table the discussion regarding agenda item 2018-062 until March 1, 2018.

Upon a motion duly made and seconded it was to table agenda item 2018-062 until the March 1, 2018 Town Council meeting.

VOTE: PASSES UNANIMOUS

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Peter Cross discussed the Town's strategic plan regarding the quality of life and the nine factors that influence quality of life in Barnstable. He was surprised that 35 Scudder Avenue was considered in the GIZ. He noted the Hyannis Fire District would like to participate in future discussions regarding regulatory agreements, and tax increment financing which affects the nine square miles of the Village of Hyannis.

Harold Robinson felt Council's action regarding the tabling the GIZ agenda item was a

good and fair action. He hoped to start the whole process over with a new proposal.

Close public comment

COUNCIL RESPONSE TO PUBLIC COMMENT:

Agree with the idea to with table 2018-062 agenda item to March 1, 2018 Council meeting. The logic and transparency of this item needs to be shared with the public. Perception is everything keep it transparent and with an open process. Village of Hyannis does not get what it deserves too many nonprofits stifling our dollars. Glad to see there is a discussion regarding the GIZ prior to the GIZ expansion as abutters did not easily offer their opinions. The Five Fire Districts are their own entities which taxes are paid to each of the fire districts. There may be a need for future discussion on fire district consolidation.

TOWN MANAGER COMMUNICATIONS:

Update for period for February 2 through February 15,, 2018

- Fiscal Year 2019 Rate Hearing
- Standard and Poor's rating – AAA Bond Rating
- Annual financial statement audit
- Future public water supply well
- Chief of Police hiring process
- Non-residential zoning review and proposed modifications

Elizabeth Jenkins, Director of Planning and Development gave an update on the proper modifications of all non-residential business districts; current business and new business in Barnstable. She highlighted the Centerville Commercial area Route 28 – making it more business friendly and the Route 132 Regional Commercial Corridor with establishing new district regulations. She stressed the zoning changes would be appropriate for the areas.

Councilor questions and comments:

Please ensure the civic associations are invited to the discussions.

ACT ON MINUTES: Upon a motion duly made and seconded it was voted to approve the minutes of the February 1, 2018 meeting.

VOTE: PASSES 12 YES, ONE ABSTENTION (DAGWAN)

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

Presentations by Mark S. Ells, Town Manager

- **Fiscal Year 2019 Comprehensive Water Management Plan**

Mark Ells, Town Manager gave a high level overview of the Fiscal Year 2019 Comprehensive Water Management Plan. He explained the draft plan for the water management project which was a priority for the Town. He noted there would be public outreach, updates and a final document for the comprehensive water management plan.

He added looking toward the final study there would be discussions about Lewis Bay and the Three Bays. Mark Ells mentioned the need to nail down different systems between the north and the south side of Barnstable. He conveyed this

project was just not about nutrient loading but the major issues as well: accommodating Hyannis; e-development balance and approach. He explained there was the issue with emerging containments across the country.

Mark Ells discussed the three major waste water facilities; 208 plan; possible dredging; aquiculture; and the Community Improvement Program. He added the 20 year plan will address all water management issues. Discussions will happen with the community, the Town's leadership and include good public involvement.

Mark Ells spoke about the financial aspects of water management. He mentioned coordinating with the Town of Yarmouth, Barnstable's Board of Health, and Department of Environmental Protection Bureau of Municipal Facilities of State Revolving Fund. He explained getting the community to understand the issues and decisions is paramount as the decisions will affect quality of life for years.

Councilor questions and comments:

Please add the private waste water facilities to the map [Yes will add them to the map] Why was area near the waste water plant/Bearses Way not sewered? [Will look in to that matter] Please make sure there is focus on public education. There is an upcoming CIP to study the effluent discharge and there will be active discussions with the School Board regarding the fields and other methods of disposal.

- **Fiscal Year 2019 Restructuring Plan**

Mark Ells, Town Manager gave an overview explaining how the Town will better align its resources and improve customer service. He discussed the 2018 restructuring which was successful and consisted of improvements to permitting and communications.

Mark Ells discussed the 2019 restructuring which would realign departments but not reduce staff, realign resources with better assets managing and training. He added Regulatory Services would become Customer Services, and there would be a new Parking Management Division. He mentioned in March 2018 there would be a First Reading regarding changes to Administrative Code and modifications to the operating budget.

Councilor questions and comments

Please include a current organization chart along with the proposed changes.

<p>2018-063 APPROPRIATION AND TRANSFER ORDER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$200,175 FOR THE EVALUATION, DESIGN AND PERMITTING OF THE RENOVATION OF THE ARMORY BUILDING LOCATED AT 225 SOUTH STREET, HYANNIS INTRO: 02/15/18</p>

Mark Ells gave rationale. He noted the armory in 1958 was granted to the Commonwealth and then turned over to the Town in 2006. He added there were state limitations for reuse. He added the soft costs were for a phase capital improvements project, with overall \$2.6 million needed for improvements for future usage, whether by Town or Request for Proposal.

Upon a motion duly made and seconded it was

ORDERED: That the Town Council hereby appropriates and transfers the sum of **\$200,175** from the General Fund Reserves, for the purpose of evaluating, designing, permitting and other costs incidental or related thereto, for the renovation of the Armory Building located at 225 South Street, Hyannis, and that the Town Manager is authorized to contract for and expend the appropriation made available for these purposes and be authorized to accept any grants or gifts in relation thereto.

VOTE: REFER TO PUBLIC HEARING ON MARCH 1, 2018 – PASSES UNANIMOUS

VOTE: ADJOURNMENT:

Upon a motion duly made and seconded it was

VOTED TO ADJOURN:

Adjourned at 8:50 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Janet E. Murphy
Assistant Town Clerk/Town of Barnstable

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: March 1, 2018