

REGULAR MEETING of the Burrillville Town Council held Wednesday, October 10, 2012 at 7:00 P.M. in the Town Council Chambers, 105 Harrisville Main Street, Harrisville for and within the Town of Burrillville.

PRESENT: Council President Nancy F. Binns, Councilors Wallace F. Lees, Edward J. Blanchard, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heitke, David J. Place and Stephen N. Rawson

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

1. Council President Nancy F. Binns led those present in pledging allegiance to the flag.

2. VOTED that the question of accepting the minutes of the regular meeting held August 22, 2012 and the question of dispensing with the reading of said minutes be tabled.

Motion by Councilor Margaret L. Dudley. Seconded by Councilor Edward J. Blanchard. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor of the motion were Council President Nancy F. Binns, Councilors Edward J. Blanchard, Wallace F. Lees, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heitke, David J. Place and Stephen N. Rawson.

3. Public Comment

Resident Ed Varin of Steere Farm Road introduced his son Edmund Varin III of Colonial Road. Ed Varin voiced concerns related to the School Department's policies and procedures related to special programs and resources for students. Mr. Varin opposed Town Council funding of curriculum development and professional development requested under item 12-220.

4. General Good and Welfare of the Town of Burrillville

Councilor Margaret L. Dudley detailed the activities scheduled for the final Farmer's Market, scheduled for October 13, 2012.

Councilor Margaret L. Dudley announced the 2012/13 Learn to Skate program at the Levy Rink.

Councilor Margaret L. Dudley announced a shred day at the credit union on North Main Street on October 27, 2012.

The Friends of the Library 2012 Vendor Fair has been scheduled for October 20, 2012.

Councilor Kevin D. Heitke encouraged residents to review the town's website for frequent updates.

Councilor Heitke commented that Fitch Rating Service had released the October 2012 general obligation bond rating for the Town of

Burrillville, affirming the Town's rating of "AA" and the Town's outlook is stable. Councilor Heitke commended the Town's management.

Councilor Edward J. Blanchard announced the Downtown Pascoag Neighborhood Association 2012 Pumpkinfest.

5. Petitions: None

6. Special Business:

12-232 VOTED to grant an annual hawkers and peddlers license to Bob and Joyce Bouchard, Rhode Island Kona, to apply throughout the Town of Burrillville.

Motion by Councilor Wallace F. Lees. Seconded by Councilor Edward J. Blanchard. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor of the motion were Council President Nancy F. Binns, Councilors Edward J. Blanchard, Wallace F. Lees, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heitke, David J. Place and Stephen N. Rawson.

12-233 VOTED to grant a Class F one-day liquor license to Father Clifford J. Cabral d/b/a St. Joseph's Church to apply at the St. Joseph's Applefest Dinner to be held on October 20, 2012 at 183 Sayles Ave., Pascoag (Map #174 Lot #131).

Motion by Councilor Wallace F. Lees. Seconded by Councilor Margaret L. Dudley. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor of the motion were Council President Nancy F. Binns, Councilors Edward J. Blanchard, Wallace F. Lees, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heitke, David J. Place and Stephen N. Rawson.

7. →→Public Hearing: None

8. Unfinished Business:

12-136 Correspondence from Councilor Margaret L. Dudley regarding her request for reconsideration of a May 9, 2012 vote relative to the Dam Management District.

Note: Councilor Wallace F. Lees recused from discussion and voting on item 12-136.

MOTION to open.

Motion by Councilor Stephen N. Rawson. Seconded by Councilor Edward J. Blanchard.

Councilor Margaret L. Dudley indicated that the Town Solicitor had informed her that the item was not properly before the Council. Councilor Dudley withdrew the item.

The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor of the motion were Council President Nancy F. Binns, Councilors Edward J. Blanchard, Wallace F. Lees, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heitke, David J. Place and Stephen N. Rawson.

Kevin Menard, President of the Dam Management District, testified in opposition to the resolution.

12-220 Correspondence from Council President Nancy F. Binns regarding her request that the Town Council continue the discussion of correspondence from Dr. Frank Pallotta regarding his funding request related to curriculum writing and professional development to a future meeting.

VOTED to table the correspondence from Dr. Frank Pallotta regarding his funding request related to curriculum writing and professional development.

Motion by Councilor Kevin D. Heitke. Seconded by Councilor Wallace F. Lees.

Discussion: Councilor Margaret L. Dudley commented on the School Department fund balance.

The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor of the motion were Council President Nancy F. Binns, Councilors Edward J. Blanchard, Wallace

F. Lees, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heitke, David J. Place and Stephen N. Rawson.

9. New Business:

12-234 VOTED to open the correspondence from Councilor Edward J. Blanchard regarding his request that the Town Council appropriate \$1,000.00 to the Downtown Pascoag Neighborhood Association for police details.

Motion by Councilor Wallace F. Lees. Seconded by Councilor Stephen N. Rawson. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor of the motion were Council President Nancy F. Binns, Councilors Edward J. Blanchard, Wallace F. Lees, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heitke, David J. Place and Stephen N. Rawson.

Discussion: Councilor Edward J. Blanchard commented on the benefits of the Pumpkinfest and Victorian holiday. Reduced funding from Ocean State Power to the Downtown Pascoag Neighborhood Association (DPNA) was discussed. The budget process was reviewed.

MOTION that we grant the \$1,000.

Motion by Councilor Stephen N. Rawson. Seconded by Councilor Wallace F. Lees.

AMENDED MOTION to grant up to \$1,000; and to stipulate that the payment go directly to the police department from the treasurer's office and the \$1,000 is not given to the association so that we get exactly what we are paying for.

Amended motion by Councilor Stephen N. Rawson. Seconded by Councilor Wallace F. Lees.

The motion carried, six in favor, one opposed. Voting in favor of the motion were Council President Nancy F. Binns, Councilors Edward J. Blanchard, Wallace F. Lees, Kevin D. Heitke, David J. Place and Stephen N. Rawson. Councilor Margaret L. Dudley voted in opposition.

12-235 VOTED to declare surplus items as listed, (that is:

1984 Ford Ambulance VIN # 1 FDKE30L 1 EHC06972

2001 Ford Taurus VIN # 1FAFP53U01A119377

1992 Ford Bus VIN # 1 FDKE37M2NHA44882

2006 Ford Crown Victoria VIN # 2FAFP71W86X165165

1994 Honda 4DR VIN # 1HGCD5666RA174674)

Motion by Councilor Wallace F. Lees. Seconded by Councilor Stephen N. Rawson. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor of the motion were Council President Nancy F. Binns, Councilors Edward J. Blanchard, Wallace F. Lees, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heitke, David J. Place and Stephen N. Rawson.

10. Town Clerk/Communication:

12-236 Request from the North Smithfield Town Council regarding their request for support of a resolution relative to the Landmark Medical Center.

MOTION to receive and file.

Motion by Councilor Edward J. Blanchard. There was no second.

VOTED to support.

Motion by Councilor Margaret L. Dudley. Seconded by Councilor Wallace F. Lees. The motion carried, six in favor, one opposed. Voting in favor of the motion were Council President Nancy F. Binns, Councilors Wallace F. Lees, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heitke, David J. Place and Stephen N. Rawson. Councilor Edward J. Blanchard voted in opposition.

11. Additional New Business:

12-237 VOTED to grant the request for executive session from Town Manager Michael C. Wood pursuant to Rhode Island Open Meeting Law [§42-46-5 (a)(3)] for discussion and consideration relative to a matter of security – Burrillville Police Department.

Motion by Councilor David J. Place. Seconded by Councilor Margaret L. Dudley. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor of the motion were Council President Nancy F. Binns, Councilors Edward J. Blanchard, Wallace F. Lees, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heitke, David J. Place and Stephen N. Rawson.

There was a recess before Executive Session.

The Council returned to open session at 7:52 P.M.

VOTED to seal the minutes of executive session, noting that no votes had been taken.

Motion by Councilor Margaret L. Dudley. Seconded by Councilor Wallace F. Lees. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor of the motion were Council President Nancy F. Binns, Councilors Edward J. Blanchard, Wallace F. Lees, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heitke, David J. Place and Stephen N. Rawson.

12. VOTED to adjourn at 7:52 P.M.

Motion by Councilor Margaret L. Dudley. Seconded by Councilor Stephen N. Rawson. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor of the motion were Council President Nancy F. Binns, Councilors Edward J. Blanchard, Wallace F. Lees, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heitke,

David J. Place and Stephen N. Rawson.

The meeting was recorded.

Louise R. Phaneuf, Town Clerk