

**Minutes of a Town Council meeting held April 21st, AD 2011 at 7:00 o'clock PM in the Town Council Chambers, Town Hall, 40 Commons, Little Compton, RI. Members present: Charles N. Appleton, Jr., Fred M. Bodington, III; Paul J. Golembeske, Gary S. Mataronas (arrived at 7:05 PM). Absent: Robert L. Mushen. Also in attendance: Tom Dunn, Business Manager**

**Salute to the Flag.**

**Councilor Golembeske read the Twenty-sixth amendment to the US Constitution, which was ratified July 1, 1971:**

**“Section 1. The right of citizens of the United States, who are eighteen years of age or older, to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any State on account of age.**

**Section 2. The Congress shall have power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation.”**

**Motion made by Councilor Bodington, receiving a second by Councilor Appleton, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske): To approve, as written the April 7, 2011 Town Council meeting minutes.**

**Due to the fact that Councilor Appleton will abstain from voting on the minutes from April 18th said minutes will be set aside until**

**Councilor Mataronas arrives.**

**Announcements:**

**1. A letter has been received from Raoul Moore resigning from the LC Housing Trust.**

**Motion made by Councilor Bodington, receiving a second by Councilor Appleton, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske): To send a letter of gratitude to Raoul Moore for his service on the LC Housing Trust and to ask the Town Clerk to post the vacancy to receive letters of interest.**

**2. Councilor Bodington noted that the Town has a supply of the Earth Machine Compost Bins available for purchase. For each bin sold the Town will achieve a 500 lb. diversion credit for 10 years. Each bin cost \$40 and may be picked up at the Town Clerk's Office.**

**Motion made by Councilor Bodington, receiving a second by Councilor Mataronas, voting in favor (Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas) Councilor Appleton abstained from voting: To approve, as written the April 18, 2011 Town Council meeting minutes.**

**A Public Hearing was called to order at 7:06 PM regarding the following proposed amendment to the Little Compton Town Code Chapter II:**

**To add Section 2-1.3, f. The Town Council President, serving as Emergency Management Agency Director, shall have the power in a declared emergency to procure the use of any municipally owned building without the need of a Memorandum of Understanding.**

**Councilor Golembeske explained that this proposal is to bring the Town into compliance with a Federal requirement that there be a Memorandum of Understanding on file or a blanket authorization in our Town Code for municipally owned buildings as it relates to our Emergency Operating Plan for the Town. A statement was made by a resident that they believed the town already held this right.**

**Motion made by Councilor Bodington, receiving a second by Councilor Appleton, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas): Receiving no further public comments this hearing is hereby closed.**

**Motion made by Councilor Bodington, receiving a second by Councilor Mataronas, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas): To adopt the following amendment to the Town of Little Compton Town Code:**

**Section 2-1.3 add:**

**f. The Town Council President, serving as Emergency Management Agency Director, shall have the power in a declare emergency to procure the use of any municipally owned building without the need**

**of a Memorandum of Understanding.**

**Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second by Councilor Appleton, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas): To place on file the Fire Department Head Report for February 2011.**

**Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second by Councilor Appleton, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas): To place on file the Police Department Head Report for March 2011.**

**Councilors Bodington and Mataronas reported that four applications have been received for the seasonal part time maintenance laborer position. Two applicants will be interviewed on the 27th of April. After a brief discussion the following was voted:**

**Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second by Councilor Bodington, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas): To authorize Councilors Bodington and Mataronas to hire two individuals as seasonal part time maintenance department laborers contingent upon a successful interview and completion of a satisfactory Back Ground Check, said positions will be no more than 25 hours per week on a rotating schedule for a rate of \$12 per hour without benefits.**

**Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second by Councilor Mataronas, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas): To authorize Councilors Golembeske and Mushen to coordinate a meeting with the School Committee to obtain an update on the status of the school building project.**

**Rob Marra and members of the Sakonnet Garden Club made a presentation on their concerns over the growing problem of trash on town roadways and public property. Mr. Marra noted that the Garden Club coordinates a monthly event where a different area in town is designated for roadway clean up. During these events everything from cigarettes, beer cans, nip bottles to women's underwear have been picked up. They last came to the Town Council in 2008 and feel matters have become worse since then. During the discussion they asked for a small group to be formed and charged with reviewing the situation and returning with a recommendation. Sandra Farr of the Sakonnet Garden Club expressed her concerns as well noting specifically that the Commons area was recently cleaned by the Boy Scouts and their families resulting in 5 garbage bags in a single hour. After discussion the following was voted:**

**Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second by Councilor Mataronas, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas): To authorize Councilor Bodington to work with the Sakonnet Garden Club to develop a small group of interested parties to review the potential trash problem on town roadways and**

**municipally owned properties.**

**Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second by Councilor Mataronas, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas): To express the Town Council's congratulations' to Detective Sergeant John Faria Jr. and Corporal John Harris on their tenth anniversary with the Little Compton Police Department and to place the correspondence from the Chief on this matter on file.**

**At 7:26 PM the Town Council sitting as the Board of License Commissioners voted the following:**

**Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second by Councilor Bodington, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas): To grant a Class F one day Beverage License for each of the following fund raising events to be held at the Little Compton Community Center, 34 Commons:**

**Photography Show Patron Party, May 27, 2011**

**Hollywood to Broadway Revue, Opening Night Dinner Theatre, July 1, 2011**

**Art Show Patron Party, July 15, 2011**

**The Town Clerk informed the Council of a phone notification she has had from a representative of the Stone House asserting a change of**

**an officer within the Round Pond Management Corporation, holder of the Class BV Beverage License. As of this date no formal written notification has been received. Forms were provided to the Stone House in order to officially change the officer in question. After a brief discussion the following was voted:**

**Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second by Councilor Mataronas, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas): To place on the May 5, 2011 Town Council meeting discussion of the Stone House Class BV Beverage license now held by Round Pond Management Corporation d/b/a Stone House – 1854.**

**Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second by Councilor Bodington, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas): To request the Town Clerk notify the City of Newport to let them know that the Little Compton Town Council will not be able to attend a meeting in June concerning a reconvening of the LNG Congress of Councils.**

**Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second by Councilor Mataronas, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas): To place on file a communication received from Community Action Rhode Island concerning their programs and Community Service Block Grant funding.**

**Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second by Councilor Bodington, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas): To grant a Victualing License to The Pantry, LLP to serve as a bakery providing fresh baked goods and beverages at 374 West Main Road for take out only, contingent upon meeting all state and local requirements.**

**Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second by Councilor Bodington, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas): That the recommendation of the Board of Tax Assessors for the cancellation of the following taxes be granted under Section 44-7-14 of the General Laws of Rhode Island, as amended:**

**Acct/Name Plat/Lot/MV Abatement Value Abatement Year**

**23-0510-91 012/0022 \$2,118,200.00 \$11,290.01 2010**

**White HH Limited Partnership corrected bill to be sent.**

**18-0723-05 Tangible \$9,400.00 \$100.20 2010**

**Rocha, Michael W II \$2,000.00 \$18.44 2009**

**Billed under Mike's Lawn & Garden**

**26-0035-50 Tangible \$2,200.00 \$23.45 2010**

**Zilioli Laurie \$2,200.00 \$20.28 2009**

**Moved, closed business**

**03-1561-50 Tangible \$5,000.00 \$53.30 2010**

**Cornelious Travis \$5,000.00 \$46.10 2009**

**Cornelious Home Repair \$5,000.00 \$46.20 2008**

**Moved, closed business**

**06-0156-05 Tangible \$1,000.00 \$10.66 2010**

**Faria, Robert G. \$1,000.00 \$9.22 2009**

**Moved, closed business**

**12-0629-25 Tangible \$1,000.00 \$9.22 2009**

**Lewis Kane not in business**

**12-0635-50 Tangible \$1,000.00 \$10.66 2010**

**Lewis, Meghan \$1,000.00 \$9.22 2009**

**No longer in business**

**18-0210-50 Tangible \$2,000.00 \$21.32 2010**

**Rego, Franklin D. Jr. duplicate billing**

**19-0167-05 Tangible \$1,000.00 \$9.22 2009**

**Scallin, Owen duplicate billing**

**Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second by Councilor Bodington, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas): To grant a Victualing and Holiday Sales License to Compton Clambakes, LLC d/b/a The Local Catch at 374**

**West Main Road for a retail fish market, contingent upon meeting all state and local requirements.**

**Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second by Councilor Bodington, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas): To place the consent calendar on file as follows:**

- 1. Copy of a Notice of a public workshop to present findings of the statewide assessment of water quality conditions held April 15th**
- 2. Letter of gratitude received from Grover Fugate, Executive Director, RI Coastal Resources Management Council concerning the successful launch of RI Ocean Special Area Management Plan**
- 3. Copy of a resolution adopted by the Foster-Glocester Regional School Committee opposing contract continuation**
- 4. Memo received from RI Dept. of Environmental Management, Division of Forest Environment offering a reminder that Arbor Day – April 29, 2011**
- 5. Copies of resolutions adopted by the City of Newport, Jamestown, Smithfield and North Smithfield Council's opposing mandatory binding arbitration**
- 6. Copies of resolutions adopted by the Jamestown and Portsmouth Town Councils supporting legislation to amend RIGL 16-7-44 School Housing Project Costs**
- 7. Copy of a resolution adopted by the Portsmouth Town Council supporting legislative amendments to protect RI Cities & Towns and**

**their Public Officials/Employees**

**Motion made by Councilor Bodington, receiving a second by Councilor Mataronas, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas): That the bills be allowed and ordered paid: \$25,234.82**

**Nationalgrid - 32 Commons \$35.18**

**Nationalgrid - IOOF \$48.58**

**Nationalgrid - Town Hall \$477.39**

**Nationalgrid - Adamsville Lights \$72.13**

**Nationalgrid - Public Safety at Transfer Station \$408.11**

**Nationalgrid - Town Dock \$60.07**

**Nationalgrid - Peckham Lot \$20.89**

**Nationalgrid - Street Lights \$20.58**

**Paychex Inc. - Treasurer \$318.02**

**John Peckham - Town Hall \$200.00**

**Eastbay Newspapers - Zoning Board \$48.40**

**Eastbay Newspapers - Clerk - Contingency \$592.48**

**Eastbay Newspapers - CDBG \$96.80**

**Eastbay Newspapers - Probate \$40.00**

**Allied Waste - Transfer Station \$5,062.00**

**Dean Dagesse - Inspectors \$150.00**

**Dean Dagesse - Inspectors \$240.00**

**Dean Dagesse - Inspectors \$210.00**

**Wilbur-McMahon School - Gym Committee \$787.78**

**MaryJane Harrington - Treasurer \$14.28**

**Petro - Diesel \$935.27**

**Poland Springs - Maintenance \$19.50**

**AT & T - Transfer Station \$36.39**

**Petro - Gasoline \$2,885.88**

**Richard S Humphrey - Legal Services \$174.00**

**Aquidneck Machine Inc. - Maintenance \$14.95**

**Fall River Ford Inc - Maintenance \$99.80**

**Stanley Engineering Inc. - Assessors \$959.21**

**RI League of Cities & Towns - contingency \$1,430.00**

**Richard S Humphrey - Legal Services \$652.50**

**Lexis Nexis Matthew Bender - Town Hall \$71.71**

**Cox Communications - 32 Commons \$27.75**

**United Site Services Northeast, Inc. - Transfer Station \$115.00**

**Lefkowitz, Garfinkel, Champi & DeRienzo PC - Auditors \$2,892.00**

**ACS - RI Historical Records Trust Fund \$1,299.00**

**Rhode Island Attorney General - Drug Forfeiture \$30.00**

**Vic's Car Wash - Drug Forfeiture \$9.50**

**Aftermath - Drug Forfeiture \$245.00**

**Rob's Auto Care - Drug Forfeiture \$934.66**

**Pitney Bowes - Drug Forfeiture \$79.00**

**Ga-Rel Manufacturing Co - Drug Forfeiture \$360.19**

**J.J. Gregory & Sons - Drug Forfeiture \$393.70 \$2,052.05**

**Belmont Springs - Police Dept. \$12.99**

**Wilbur's General Store - Police Dept. \$5.74**

**W.B. Mason - Police Dept. \$112.75**

**Cox Communication/Internet - Police Dept. \$171.00**  
**Cox Communication/Telephone - Police Dept. \$171.43**  
**Sakonnet Veterinary Hospital - Police Dept. \$390.00 \$863.91**  
**Conditioned-Aire Corp. - Public Safety Complex \$1,335.39**  
**Postmaster - Assessors \$88.00**  
**Wilbur McMahon School - Gym Committee \$365.54**  
**MaryJane Harrington - Treasurer \$14.28**

**Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second by Councilor Bodington, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas): To adjourn at 7:34 PM.**

**Carol A. Wordell**  
**Town Clerk**