

Minutes of a Town Council meeting held on March 7th, 2013 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 and Robert L. Mushen. Absent: Gary S. Mataronas. Also present: Tom Dunn, Business Manager and Richard S. Humphrey, Town Solicitor (arrived at 7:02 PM).

Pledge to the Flag.

Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second by Councilor Bodington, voting in favor (Bodington, Golembeske, Mushen) Councilor Appleton abstained from voting: To approve, as written the February 26, 2013 special Town Council meeting minutes.

Motion made by Councilor Bodington, receiving a second by Councilor Appleton, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Mushen) Councilor Golembeske abstained from voting: To approve, as written the February 21, 2013 Town Council meeting minutes.

Richard S. Humphrey, Town Solicitor arrived at 7:02 PM.

Announcements:

1. Council President Mushen asked the scout members of Troop 29 and Cub Scout Pack 10 and their leaders to come forward at this time.

The following commendation was presented:

COMMENDATION

to

The Members of Boy Scout Troop 29

and Cub Scout Pack 10

for

their demonstrated bravery, resourcefulness, leadership and unity in the face of an extensive cabin fire on their camping trip on 2 March 2013.

Your actions bring great credit on yourselves and your organization and are in keeping with the high standards of the Scout Oath and Scout Law.

On behalf of the Town Council,

Robert Mushen, President

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The scouts were given a round of applause and congratulated on their exemplary job under frightening circumstances.

2. The RI Public Transit Authority will be holding a public comment meeting on March 18, 2013 at 7 PM at the Tiverton Town Hall. Comments will be collected concerning the need for transit in this area and how best to proceed to provide that need. Councilor Mushen asked all present to pass on the knowledge of this meeting to anyone who may be interested in the return of a RIPTA bus route for this

area.

Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second by Councilor Bodington, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mushen): To place on file the Maintenance Department Head Report for February 2013.

Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second by Councilor Bodington, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mushen): To place on file the Police Department Annual Report for 2012.

Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second by Councilor Bodington, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mushen): To authorize the payment of \$159,747.30 to ADS Construction and \$11,670.00 to ICM for Project Management Services and Clerk of the Works Services for February 2013 to be paid out of the Bond Anticipation Note for the School Building Project.

Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second by Councilor Bodington, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mushen): 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

13-2173-00 042/0107 \$92,900 \$499.80 2012

Munroe, Paul R Jr &

Angelina

18-0290-01 Personal Property \$89,000 \$957.64 2012

Reis, George \$120,730 \$1,286.98 2011

Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second by Councilor Bodington, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mushen): To approve a list of call fire fighters as presented by the Fire Chief consisting of the following three names: Jason DaSilva, Samuel Hussey and Philip Tessier.

Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second by Councilor Bodington, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mushen): To accept the verbal resignation of Jacques Hopkins from the Charter Review Commission and to appoint in his place William Ryan from the list of interested parties to serve on this commission.

Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second by Councilor Bodington, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mushen): To adopt the following statements and authorize the Town Council President to write a letter to the Brownell

Library Trust incorporating the statements for their records:

Statement #1. The Town of Little Compton does not appropriate funds to the Brownell Library Trust

Statement #2. The Town of Little Compton does not have any administrative authority over the Brownell Library Trust.

Motion made by Councilor Mushen, receiving a second by Councilor Golembeske, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mushen): To place on file a communication received from the RI Dept. of Transportation office of Property Management offering the Town the ability to purchase Assessors Plat 29, Lot 9 for \$1.47 per square foot which equates to \$76,400 until Councilor Bodington has an opportunity to discuss the matter further with Senator Louis DiPalma in an attempt to secure a better offer for the town to consider.

At 7:19 PM the Town Council sitting as the Board of License Commissioners voted the following:

Motion made by Councilor Bodington, receiving a second by Councilor Appleton, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Mushen) Councilor Golembeske abstained from voting: To grant a Class F-1 one day Beverage License to the Little Compton Game Club for a Game Supper to be held on March 9, 2013 at the John Dyer Road Facility.

Motion made by Councilor Mushen, receiving a second by Councilor Golembeske, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mushen): To authorize Councilors Bodington and Mushen to discuss coordinating an Earth Day Clean-up Event with several local groups in order to take advantage of a program offered by RI Resource Recovery Corp to waive tipping fees for Earth Day debris up to 10 tons for an event sponsored by the municipality.

Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second by Councilor Bodington, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mushen): To place on file an invitation received from the Mayor of the City of Newport to participate in the 57th Annual St. Patrick's Day Parade on Saturday, March 16, 2013.

Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second by Councilor Bodington, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mushen): To place on file resolutions adopted by the Charlestown Town Council and Newport City Council regarding open dialogue on gun safety, mental illness and efforts to remove illegal guns from our streets.

Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second by Councilor Bodington, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mushen): To place on file a Notice and Re-Notice of proposed changes to the RI Coastal Resources Management

Program/Ocean Special Area Management Plan with a comment period through April 2, 2013.

Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second by Councilor Bodington, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mushen): To place on file the announcement of the Project Priority List Request for Projects State Fiscal Year 2014 as received from the RI Dept. of Environmental Management.

Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second by Councilor Bodington, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mushen): To adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Section 3-7-6, "Renewal of Class A, Class B, Class C, Class D, Class E and Class J, Licenses," provides that a holder of an alcoholic beverage license may be required to pay a twenty-five dollar (\$25.00) fee upon application of renewal, at the option of local licensing authorities. The fee shall be used by the local licensing authority for advertising and administrative costs related to processing the renewal application; and

WHEREAS, advertising fees alone average approximately \$50 per license in the Town of Little Compton; and since the time, many years ago, that the \$25 fee was established, many more administrative

responsibilities have been imposed; and

WHEREAS, advertising rates for various newspapers throughout the State vary, and most provide for an annual rate increase.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Little Compton Town Council hereby petitions the RI General Assembly to amend RIGL 3-7-6 to eliminate the dollar amount that a local licensing authority may impose for advertising and administrative costs related to processing liquor license renewal applications so that a fee that more accurately reflects the cost may be assessed for each renewal application.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be sent to Senator DiPalma and Representative Canario asking that they support passage of legislation introduced to achieve this goal.

Adopted this 7th day of March, 2013.

Robert L. Mushen

Town Council President

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

- 1. Copy of a resolution adopted by the Charlestown Town Council supporting the repeal of Master Lever Voting**
- 2. Letter from Chief Wordell informing the Council that Lt. Marion will be Acting Chief for a few days in March**
- 3. Copies of resolutions adopted by the Woonsocket City Council and North Smithfield School Department opposing mandatory binding arbitration**
- 4. Copies of resolutions adopted by the Burrillville Town Council and North Smithfield School Committee opposing contract continuation**
- 5. Copy of a resolution adopted by the North Smithfield School Committee concerning layoff notification dates for teachers**

A bill has been removed from the list of bills for approval this evening for a portion of charges relating to services rendered at the Public Safety Complex for the generator during the Blizzard. A total of three invoices have been received to date for this incident. After a brief discussion the following was voted:

Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second by Councilor Bodington, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mushen): To allow Chief Petrin to contact Power Equipment Inc. to discuss and potentially negotiate a reduced rate for extra services rendered during and after the Blizzard of 2013, Councilor Mushen will have the authority to approve payment for said

services upon the successful negotiation of the matter.

Motion made by Councilor Bodington, receiving a second by Councilor Golembeske, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mushen): That the following bills be allowed and ordered paid: \$65,182.85

Tom's Lawn & Garden - Maintenance \$15.76

Nationalgrid - Street Lights \$22.72

Nationalgrid - Street Lights Town Dock \$41.03

Dave Venancio - Inspectors \$630.00

International Salt - Highway \$8,584.05

Rob's Auto Care Inc. - Highway \$756.77

Rich McGee & Son Excavating - Highway \$1,027.00

Jon Ibottson Excavating - Highway (two bills) \$10,535.00

Russell L Sisson & Sons - Public Safety Complex \$288.00

Adelia Associates LLC - computer \$2,887.50

Kevins Auto Parts Inc. - Public Safety Complex \$51.96

Everlasting Designs - computer \$700.00

Everlasting Designs - computer March monthly charge \$1,600.00

Petro - Maintenance \$632.17

Petro - 32 Commons \$432.03

Petro - 40 Commons \$1,981.48

Petro - Diesel \$436.73

Petro - Diesel \$951.83

Petro - Public Safety Complex \$385.36

Cox Communications - Town Hall Departments \$249.44

Direct Energy - Street Lights \$9.92

Direct Energy - Street Lights at Town Dock \$10.52

Leonard Duckworth - Assessors \$1,326.91

Robert H Goff Jr. - Assessors \$1,326.91

William Monahan - Assessors \$1,326.93

East Bay Comm. Action Pro. - St. Asst. Counselor \$2,381.10

Anthony DeSisto Assoc. - Planning Board \$62.50

Rhode Island Police Chief's Assoc. - Drug Forfeiture \$2,000.00

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D&D Overhead Door - Drug Forfeiture \$342.00

Rob's Auto Care - Drug Forfeiture \$55.00

Roger Williams University - Drug Forfeiture \$125.00

Thomas Wood - Drug Forfeiture \$240.00

Rhode Island Attorney General - Drug Forfeiture \$30.00

Citizens Bank - Drug Forfeiture \$610.26

Everlasting Designs - Drug Forfeiture \$320.00 \$5,722.26

Rhode Island Police Chiefs - Police Dept. \$1,500.00

K.T.R. Maintenance - Police Dept. \$17.55

W.B. Mason - Police Dept. \$86.88 \$1,604.43

Cox Comm. - Computer \$252.00

Everlasting Designs - Fire Dept. \$930.00

Vic's Car Washes - Fire Dept. \$66.50

Comstar - Fire Dept. \$362.46

1st Responder newspaper - Fire Dept. \$80.00

Fire Pro - Fire Dept. \$86.75

Jamestown Fire Dept. - Fire Dept. \$1,450.00

Sam Hussey - Fire Dept. \$341.00

Rob's Auto Care Inc. - Fire Dept. \$35.00

Batteries Plus - Fire Dept. \$103.80

Firematic Supply Co Inc. - Fire Dept. \$45.98

Firematic Supply Co Inc. - Fire Dept. \$42.46

Southcoast Hospitals Group - Fire Dept. \$228.92

Firematic Supply Co Inc. - Fire Dept./donated funds \$2,500.00 \$6,272.87

Postmaster - Treasurer \$184.00

Maryjane Harrington - Treasurer \$15.82

Paychex of New York LLC - Treasurer \$390.84

Stanley Engineering Inc. - Assessors \$762.50

Allied Court Reporters - Zoning Board \$125.00

Interstate Refrigerant Recovery Inc. - Transfer Station \$168.00

Madden Electric Co. Inc. - Public Safety Blizzard \$100.00

Madden Electric Co. Inc. - Public Safety Complex \$200.00

United Site Services - Transfer Station \$115.00

Effluent Technologies - Wastewater Treatment \$1,404.52

ACS - RI Historical Records Funds \$1,299.00

Home Depot - Maintenance, Complex, Town Hall \$72.93

EastBay Newspapers - CDBG \$100.80

EastBay Newspapers - Zoning Board \$50.40

Franlart Nurseries Inc. - Tree Warden Blizzard \$3,020.00

William L Moore - Inspections \$540.00

Fisher Bus Inc. - Senior Busing \$300.00

Petro - Gasoline \$3,828.86

Motion made by Councilor Bodington, receiving a second by Councilor Golembeske, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mushen): To adjourn at 7:39 PM.

Carol A Wordell, Town Clerk