

**Minutes of a Town Council meeting held on November 6th, A.D. 2014 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 and Robert L. Mushen. Also present: Tom Dunn, Business Manager and Police Chief A. Marion.**

**Salute to the flag.**

**Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second by Councilor Mataronas, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas, Mushen): To approve, as written the October 23, 2014 Town Council meeting minutes.**

**Announcements:**

- Councilor Mushen expressed his appreciation for all candidates who ran for office on the November 4, 2014 ballot. He also expressed his congratulations to his fellow Councilors of their re-election to office. He specifically noted his appreciation to Mrs. Comley for her campaign to serve on the Council.**
- Councilor Mataronas reminded those present that authority had been granted to the Council President to sign a Memorandum of Agreement with RI Dept. of Environmental Management concerning repair work to be done on the State Boat Ramp located at Sakonnet Harbor. Council Mataronas also noted that the agreement was signed**

**today by the Town. This project should be completed with no cost to the Town.**

**Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second by Councilor Mataronas, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas, Mushen): To place on file the Maintenance Department Head Report for October 2014.**

**Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second by Councilor Mataronas, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas, Mushen): To place on file the Building Officials Department Head Report for October 2014.**

**William Moore, Director of Public Works noted that the Town has secured three (3) contractors for snow plowing with an additional contractor in the process of finalizing his paperwork. No votes were taken.**

**Councilor Mushen noted that he has received comments from Councilor Mataronas on suggested language for the Comprehensive Plan Goals. He asked for further comments from his fellow Councilors specifically regarding:**

**Draft goal #7 – to achieve reductions in municipal energy use**

**A meeting is scheduled with Solarize the company who will work with the town to offer solar panels to residents during a pilot**

**program. This meeting should result in guidance on drafting the goal language**

**Draft goal #2 – for recreation and open space protection**

**The planning board suggests goals for public open space for recreation and water access as well as a goal for private open space for agriculture and habitat – Councilor Mushen hopes the Home Charter amendment to restructure the Conservation Commission can assist in offering guidance with this goal for future plans**

**Draft goal #5 – for the expansion and stabilization of the economic base and the promotion of quality employment opportunities and job growth**

**A suggestion from the subcommittee to work on promoting growth in farming and fishing job opportunities may prove to be difficult.**

**Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second by Councilor Golembeske, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas, Mushen): To allow Councilors Golembeske and Mushen to work with Planning Board Members Cady and Steers to develop expanded draft goal language for Comprehensive Plan Goals to be considered at the November 20, 2014 meeting.**

**After a brief discussion of varying options the following motion was developed for a vote:**

**Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second by Councilor Bodington, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas, Mushen): To approve a payment plan for the purchase of the passenger van previously authorized by vote from Matthew Buses Inc. by using \$25,000 from the Community Development Block Grant Funds and all proceeds from the sale of the former senior van as a down payment with the remaining balance to be financed through Ford Motor Company in an amount not to exceed \$5,000 annually, and to further authorize the Council President to enter into an agreement for said financing.**

**One letter of interest has been received from Mark Cady to serve on the LC Municipal Trust. Scott Morrison who was in attendance verbally expressed his desire to be re-appointed to the LC Municipal Trust. Due to the fact that there are three (3) seats on the Trust up for appointment and their annual meeting is scheduled for December 2, 2014 the Council voted the following:**

**Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second by Councilor Bodington, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas, Mushen): To continue to November 20, 2014 a matter to receive letters of interest for three (3) trustees on the LC Municipal Trust and to make said appointment during the Nov. 20th meeting.**

**Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second by**

**Councilor Golembeske, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas, Mushen): To conduct the Annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony on December 7, 2014 at 5 PM in conjunction with the Ben Wilkie Annual Tree Spree.**

**One letter of interest was received from David Sisson of David Sisson Contracting to serve as the Town's sander for the upcoming winter season.**

**Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second by Councilor Mataronas, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas, Mushen): To appoint David Sisson of David Sisson Contracting to serve as the Winter Town Sander operator and supervisor for the upcoming winter season.**

**Two (2) proposals have been received for leasing a front end loader or equivalent for the upcoming winter season:**

**Wilkie Excavating monthly rental of \$2,000 from Nov 15, 2014 to April 15, 2015.**

**211 Long Highway  
Little Compton, RI 02837**

**Northland JCB a division of NITCO monthly rental of \$1,969 from Nov 15, 2014 to April 15, 2015**

**3 Chalet Rd**

**Middleboro, MA 02346**

**The Town Council President noted that Section 2-6.2 of the Little Compton Town Code allows for a local person, firm or corporation to be awarded the bid if they are within five (5%) percent of the low bid.**

**2-6.2 Bids from Little Compton Persons, Firms or Corporations.**

**In the event that a Little Compton person, firm, or corporation should submit a bid for an item as defined in subsection 2-6.1, and the said local person, firm, or corporation should not be the low bidder, if the said local person, firm, or corporation makes a bid within five (5%) percent of the low bid, said five (5%) percent being based upon the total amount of the bid provided it not exceed five hundred (\$500.00) dollars above the low bid, the Town Council may, if all other things are equal, award the bid to the local person, firm, or corporation.**

**Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second by Councilor Bodington, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas, Mushen): To invoke Section 2-6.2 of the Little Compton Town Code and award the bid for the leasing of a front end loader or equivalent for the upcoming winter season to Wilkie Excavating of 211 Long Highway, Little Compton, RI in the amount of \$2,000 per month for the period of November 15, 2014 to April 15, 2015.**

**One (1) bid proposal has been received for the purchase of a 2014 Dodge Charger 4 door police package vehicle form Central Dodge of Raynham, MA in the amount of \$23,501 after trade-in.**

**Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second by Councilor Golembeske, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas, Mushen): To purchase a 2014 Dodge Charger 4 door police package vehicle from Central Dodge of 191 US Route 44, Raynham, MA in the amount of \$26,401 less trade-in values totaling \$2,900 resulting in a purchase price of \$23,501, contingent upon final concurrence from the Police Chief.**

**Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second by Councilor Bodington, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas, Mushen): To amend the Salaries and Benefits listing based on the recommendation of the Director of Public Works for the following items under Highway personnel and equipment:**

**Machine Operator labor only \$50 per hour**

**Mechanic work on town owned equipment labor only \$50 per hour**

**Storage of Town Sander Truck and parts \$200 per month**

**Councilor Mushen noted that the referenda questions that were approved on the November 4, 2014 ballot will be codified upon the certification of the election results. A few of the Charter changes will require Council action prior to implementation of the new language such as the restructuring of the Conservation Commission and the change of Business Manager to Town Administrator.**

**At 7:30 PM the Town Council sitting as the Board of License Commissioners voted the following:**

**Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second by Councilor Golembeske, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas, Mushen): To grant a Class F one day beverage license to the Little Compton Community Center for two events, November 28, 2014 and December 20, 2014.**

**A letter has been received from the William L Moore, Building Official/Zoning Officer clarifying his position on a potential subdivision at 55 East Main Rd, noting his previous conversations with the property owner and his attorney as it related to zoning. This proposal would further intensify a non-conforming use. Mr. Moore stated that he has spoken with the Town Solicitor who has verbally stated that this type of subdivision should require a variance from the Zoning Board before approval by the Planning Board. After a brief discussion the following was voted:**

**Motion made by Councilor Mushen, receiving a second by Councilor Golembeske, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas, Mushen): To instruct the Town Solicitor to reduce his opinion to writing on what procedure should be taken regarding matters where property is proposed for subdivision with existing non-conformities will be intensified.**

**Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second by Councilor Bodington, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas, Mushen): That the bills be allowed and ordered paid as follows: \$40,137.17**

**Nationalgrid - Street Lights \$25.68**

**Nationalgrid - Street Lights at Town Dock \$45.80**

**Susan Sisson - Director of Social Services \$800.00**

**Eastbay Newspapers - Probate \$80.00**

**McGeoughs Turf Management Inc. - Civic Rec. \$457.00**

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**Tyler Technologies - Treasurer \$3,065.52**

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**United Site Services - Town Transfer Station \$115.00**

**Xerox Business Services LLC - RI Historical Records Funds \$1,299.00**

**Fisher Bus Inc. - Senior Busing \$675.00**

**Bruces Saw Shop - Maintenance \$21.00**

**Helgers South Coast Power Equipment - Maintenance \$17.65**

**Eastbay Newspapers - Charter Rev. - Highway - Council \$1,011.15**

**Electrical Wholesalers Inc. - Town Hall \$90.00**

**Seekonk Supply - Highway \$899.79**

**Salva & Sons Safe & Security - Highway \$100.00**

**Goulart Petroleum Inc. - Town Hall, 30 & 32 Commons \$962.37**

**Rob's Auto Care Inc. - Maintenance \$311.88**

**Sanmass Inc. - Civic Rec \$224.70**

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**Edith Marion - zoning - planning - building \$252.00**

**Robert Booth - Assessors \$54.88**

**Denise Cosgrove - Assessors \$51.52**

**IAAO - Assessors \$175.00**

**Electrical Wholesalers Inc. - Town Hall \$93.90**

**Direct Energy - street lights \$12.05**

**Direct Energy - street lights town dock \$12.82**

**New Pig Corporation - Highway Dept. \$529.52**

**Econo Signs - Highway Dept. \$143.64**

**Wilkie Excavating, Inc. - Transfer Station \$100.00**

**Helger Bros Construction & Trucking - Highway Dept. \$1,500.00**

**P. J. Keating Company - Highway Dept. \$691.60**

**Rego & Sons Landscape Services - Civic Rec. \$2,400.00**

**Dave Vanancio - Inspectors \$960.00**

**William L. Moore - Inspectors \$840.00**

**RIBOA - Building Dept. \$40.00**

**K.T.R. Maintenance & Supply LLC - Public Safety Complex \$1,170.00**

**Pauls House of Flowers - Contingency \$57.50**

**Paychex of New York LLC - Treasurer \$431.59**

**Thomas Wood - Police Dept. \$500.00**

**W.B. Mason - Police Dept. \$133.48**

**Belmont Springs - Police Dept. \$22.02**

**SIRCHIE - Police Dept. \$102.75**

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

**Rob's Auto Care - Police Dept. \$249.00 \$1,042.25**  
**Dept. of Attorney General - Drug Forfeiture \$60.00**  
**Poll Workers Miscellaneous -Board of Canvassers \$2,209.43**  
**W.B.Mason - Various Depts. \$337.90**  
**Nationalgrid - Public Safety Complex \$1,054.60**  
**Nationalgrid - Transfer Station \$30.77**  
**Wilbur's General Store - Town Hall \$69.57**  
**Wilbur's General Store - Maintenance Dept. \$4.49**  
**Petro - diesel \$959.43**  
**JJA Sports LLC - RCOS funds \$4,513.22**  
**Rich McGee and Son Excavating - Highway \$998.00**  
**Rich McGee and Son Excavating - Highway \$228.00**  
**Rich McGee and Son Excavating - Highway \$6,750.00**  
**Rich McGee and Son Excavating - Highway \$1,264.00 \$9,240.00**

**Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second by Councilor Bodington, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas, Mushen): To adjourn at 7:37 PM.**

**Carol A Wordell, Town Clerk**