

Minutes of a Town Council meeting held on August 6th, AD 2015 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.

Pledge to the Flag.

The Town Council President called to order a Public Hearing, duly advertised, to obtain the views of citizens on community development and housing needs and on program performance based on the following:

The Town of Little Compton is considering the filing of an application for a Small Cities Community Development Block Grant. Statewide, \$4,668,054 is available to undertake the following range of activities:

a) Provisions of employment opportunities for low and moderate-income individuals.

b) Improved housing opportunities for low and moderate-income families and individuals.

c) Provision of community facilities and services principally benefiting low and moderate-income families and individuals.

Sam Shuford of Church Community Housing Corporation reviewed the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program. He also explained that the funding practices may be changing from the past practice of applying for smaller amounts of funds by entities through each municipality in its jurisdiction to a centralized application on behalf of all municipalities thereby regionalizing the awards. After a brief discussion of how the new application process may evolve Mr. Shuford informed the Council that the following parties are interested in applying for funding through this application:

Social Enterprise Greenhouse

East Bay Community Action Program

Corner Stone Adult Services, Inc. for the Nancy Brayton Osborn Adult Day Health Center

Women's Resource Center

Church Community Housing Corp

Susan Schenck of EastBay Community Action Program will be requesting funding for support of the dental program and East Bay Skills Alliance, which offers training on various skill sets (i.e. Certified Nursing Assistant, Medical, Hospitality).

Lindsay Pineo, a resident inquired about the economic development portion of the funding. She wondered if the funding would pay for salaries or simply training. The funding can be used for hiring people to pay salary or training expenses so long as the individual qualified

under the low to moderate income requirements of the program.

Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second by Councilor Bodington, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas, Mushen): To close this public hearing to receive comments on the consideration of a Small Cities Community Development Block Grant Program.

Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second by Councilor Golembeske, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas) Councilor Mushen abstained: To approve, as written the July 23, 2015 Town Council meeting minutes.

Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second by Councilor Golembeske, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas, Mushen): To approve, as written the July 28, 2015 Town Council meeting minutes.

Announcements:

1) The work to remove the rumble strips has been completed. On or about August 19th the State plans to begin the chip seal process for the remainder of the restoration of West Main Road.

2) The Transfer Station will have new hours effective September 1st:

Mondays 10 am to 6 pm

Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturdays – 8 am to 4 pm

Wednesday and Sunday closed.

Announcements will be made on the Police Department electronic sign. Copies of the new hours are available.

Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second by Councilor Golembeske, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas, Mushen): To ratify the actions of the Council President to enter into contract addendums for the Business Manager, Director of Public Works, Fire Chief and Police Chief for salaries and goals for FY16.

Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second by Councilor Bodington, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas, Mushen): To re-apportion the salary and office expenses for the Probate Judge for FY2016 as follows:

Probate Judge Salary from \$4,794 to \$5,106

Probate office expenses from \$414 to \$102

Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second by Councilor Mataronas, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas, Mushen): To authorize the Town Council President and the Director of Public Works to review bid proposals for the installation of a well for irrigation purposes for the recreational field at the Peckham Lot and award to the most responsible and responsive bidder.

Eli Wilson addressed the Council soliciting support for an Eagle Scout Project to plant trees on the old schoolhouse lot on Adamsville Hill. He informed the Council that he has discussed the project with Mrs. Hope Taylor who is a member of the Sakonnet Garden Club. She expressed concern that the trees should be kept away from the telephone wires, assure they are not planted in an area that would block vehicular views and questioned if he had a plan in place for watering the trees through Thanksgiving. Councilor Golembeske expressed a concern that RIDOT may need to be notified of the plantings. Since the trees will be on town property there should not be a need for their input. Eli noted that he is not allowed to use his funds for this project and asked if the town could assist the funding of the trees. During the discussion it was suggested that he speak with the Garden Club to see if they would consider helping with the funding of the trees and offer suggestions on the species to be planted. Eli noted that Mrs. Taylor suggested Sarah Oliveira be contacted to offer input on the species of tree. 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, Mataronas, Mushen): To approve an Eagle Scout Project proposed by Eli Wilson to plant trees on Plat 43, Lot 1, the former school house lot on Adamsville Hill, contingent upon Mr. Wilson speaking with the Tree Warden and the LC Historical Society.

At 7:42 PM the Town Council sitting as the Board of License Commissioners voted the following:

Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second by Councilor Mataronas, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas, Mushen): To ratify the actions of the Town Council President to allow the LC Community Center to use a Class F one day beverage license initially issued for July 15, 2015 on August 5, 2015 due to inclement weather which cancelled the event on July 15, 2015.

Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second by Councilor Golembeske, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas, Mushen): To proclaim Wednesday, 12 August 2015 to be Benjamin S. Wilson Day in the Town of Little Compton in recognition of Benjamin S. Wilson's exceptional achievement in attaining the rank of Eagle Scout.

Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second by Councilor Bodington, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas, Mushen): To place on file a communication received from Kevin M Flynn, Associate Director, Statewide Planning Program, RI Dept. of Administration supplying the most accurate information available regarding the RhodeMap RI planning Process.

Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second by

Councilor Golembeske, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas, Mushen): To place on file a notice of public hearing and comment period regarding the consideration of the adoption of a draft plan entitled “Energy 2035”, an Element of the State Guide Plan.

Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second by Councilor Bodington, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas, Mushen): To place on file a letter received from Abigail Brooks, President of the Sakonnet Preservation Association expressing their gratitude in the recent negotiations to amend the Little Compton Town Code regarding the process by-which the SPA achieves tax exemption.

Motion made by Councilor Bodington, receiving a second by Councilor Golembeske, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas, Mushen): That the bills be allowed and ordered paid as follows: \$30,426.15

Nationalgrid - Town Dock \$45.92

Nationalgrid - Street Lights \$25.60

W.B. Mason - Clerk / Fire Dept. \$90.92

Home Depot - Town Hall / Maintenance \$64.51

Edith Marion - Bldg / Hazard Mit / Planning / Zoning \$346.50

Northeast Sanitation Corp - Civic Rec. \$386.36

Xerox - Town Clerk \$1,299.00

Paychex of New York LLC - Treasurer \$414.36

Verizon - Wastewater Treatment Facility \$53.61

Effluent Technologies - Wastewater Treatment Facility \$1,302.50

Allied Court Reporters, Inc. - Zoning Board \$258.50

Goulart Petroleum - Harbor Master \$224.17

Direct Energy - Street Lights \$8.46

Direct Energy - Lights @ Town Dock \$8.94

United Site Services Northeast Inc \$115.00

Richard S. Humphrey - Legal Services \$2,551.75

Richard S. Humphrey - Legal Services \$891.25

Petro Home Services - Diesel - Public Safety Complex \$457.73

Postmaster - Assessors \$196.00

Vision Government Solutions Inc - Assessors \$1,687.50

Vision Government Solutions Inc - Assessors \$2,272.80

Cox Communications - Computer \$252.00

Richard S. Humphrey - Solicitor \$4,083.34

Cox Communications - Town Hall Depts. \$245.78

Postmaster - Town Hall \$88.00

LG Communications - Fire Dept. \$485.95

Southcoast Hospitals Group - Fire Dept. \$139.96

Firematic Supply Co., Inc. - Fire Dept. \$215.36

Firematic Supply Co., Inc. - Fire Dept. \$80.70

Firematic Supply Co., Inc. - Fire Dept. \$214.67

Firematic Supply Co., Inc. - Fire Dept. \$400.24

Bound Tree Medical, LLC \$142.74

Dons Marine, Inc \$154.14

Josh Ferreira - Fire Dept. Detail \$331.66
Andrew Kettle - Fire Dept. Detail \$189.52 \$2,354.94
K.T.R. Maintenance & Supply LLC - Police Dept. \$59.14
Rob's Auto Care, Inc. - Police Dept. \$155.84
Pitney Bowes - Police Dept. \$200.00
Belmont Springs - Police Dept. \$38.74
Knight Bookstore - Drug Forfeiture \$166.00 \$619.72
Dave Venancio - Inspections \$930.00
Seekonk Supply - Highway Dept. \$1,333.58
Tiverton Materials - Highway Dept. \$242.66
Helger's South Coast Power Equipment - Maintenance Dept. \$43.13
Helger's South Coast Power Equipment - Maintenance Dept. \$178.47
Goulart Petroleum Inc. - Public Safety \$152.07
William Moore - Inspections \$720.00
Sakonnet Tree, Inc. - Tree Warden \$6,207.00
Humphreys - Maintenance Dept. \$274.08

Mr. Max Cover was in attendance hoping to discuss an upcoming event he wishes to sponsor. He was informed this matter was not on the agenda and therefore could not be discussed. The Council President will meet with Mr. Cover and bring the matter back to the Council at the August 20th meeting.

Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second by Councilor Golembeske, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas, Mushen): To adjourn at 7:52 PM.

Carol A Wordell, Town Clerk