

Minutes of a Town Council meeting held on July 21st, A.D. 2016 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: Police Chief A. Marion and Tom Dunn, Business Manager, Richard S. Humphrey, Town Solicitor arrived at 7:02 PM.

Pledge to the Flag.

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 7, 2016 Town Council meeting minutes.

Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second by Councilor Mataronas, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas, Mushen): To place on file the Town Administrators monthly report for July 2016.

Councilors are encouraged to convey to the Town Administrators any particulars they would like included in future reports.

Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second by Councilor Golembeske, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas, Mushen): To request the Board of

Canvassers to certify a proposed amendment to Section 605 and Section 710, 711 of the Home Rule Charter for inclusion on the November 8th, 2016 General Election Ballot as follows:

Shall the Charter of the Town be amended by adding language to allow the Town Council at its discretion the ability by ordinance to replace the Board of Tax Assessors with a single Tax Assessor and correct the title of Tax Assessment Board of Review within said section? (Amends Section 605)

Proposed amendment: Section 605

There shall be a Board of Tax Assessors of three (3) members elected for six (6) year staggered terms, with the term of one member expiring and the election of one member at the general election in each even numbered year. The Board of Tax Assessors shall have and perform all of the duties and discharge the responsibilities of Tax Assessors as set forth in State Law. The Town Council shall serve as the Tax Assessment Board of Review unless and until provision is made for the performance of those duties by another body.

The Town Council may, by ordinance, make provision for the replacement of the Board of Tax Assessors with a single Tax Assessor employed by the Town Council from among persons having had prior professional training and/or experience in assessment, property appraisal and related matters.

And:

Shall the Charter of the Town be amended to delete reference to the Recreation, Conservation and Open Space Committee, which no longer exists, and renumber the remaining section? (Amends Section 710 and 711)

Section 710. Recreation, Conservation and Open Space Committee. Delete in its entirety.

Section 711. Little Compton Housing Trust. Renumber as 710

Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second by Councilor Bodington, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas, Mushen): To approve of an Eagle Scout Project plan proposed by Eli Wilson during 2015, this shall be carried out during the summer of 2016.

Motion made by Councilor Mushen, receiving a second by Councilor Golembeske, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas, Mushen): To schedule the first meeting of the Ordinance Review ad hoc Committee for July 25, 2016 at 1 PM in the Town Council Office.

Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second by Councilor Bodington, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas, Mushen): To authorize the Council

President to sign the 2016-2017 Medical Emergency Distribution System Contract between RI Dept. of Health and the Town of Little Compton, this is a contract modification to the originally executed dated November 1, 2011 – July 15, 2012.

Police Chief Marion supplied the Council with a letter of Commendation for Patrolman Ryan LeClaire for his alertness and diligence and for Patrolman Jon Pomerleau for his swift response in assisting a fellow officer and for their work together for perseverance, dedication and professionalism with regard to a recent breaking and entering.

Motion made by Councilor Bodington, receiving a second by Councilor Golembeske, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas, Mushen): To approve of the placement of a letter of commendation in the personnel files for Patrolman Ryan LeClaire and Patrolman Jon Pomerleau.

Councilor Bodington recused himself from all discussion and votes relating to the following trash hauling license applications.

Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second by Councilor Golembeske, voting in favor (Appleton, Golembeske, Mataronas, Mushen) Councilor Bodington recused from the subject: To grant to Fred M. Bodington, III a license to haul refuse to the Town Transfer Station in a vehicle which exceeds a GVW of 4,000 lbs,

registration #21021 for a license period which expires June 30, 2017.

Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second by Councilor Golembeske, voting in favor (Appleton, Golembeske, Mataronas, Mushen) Councilor Bodington recused from the subject: To grant to Helger Bros. Inc. a license to haul refuse to the Town Transfer Station in two (2) vehicles which exceed a GVW of 4,000 lbs, reg. #16277 and reg. #49103 for a license period which expires June 30, 2017.

Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second by Councilor Golembeske, voting in favor (Appleton, Golembeske, Mataronas, Mushen) Councilor Bodington recused from the subject: To grant to Steven K. Reuter Lawn & Landscape Inc a license to haul refuse to the Town Transfer Station in two (2) vehicles which exceed a GVW of 4,000 lbs, reg. #65474 and reg. #23481 for a license period which expires June 30, 2017.

Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second by Councilor Bodington, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas, Mushen): To support a resolution adopted by the City of Newport, City Council commemorating the 226th Anniversary Celebration of “Hope Day: Birth of Our Nation”, which was commemorated in Senate Bill 2016-S3039.

Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second by

Councilor Golembeske, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas, Mushen): To place the consent calendar on file as follows:

- 1. Letter from Police Chief advising the Council of a planned absence from town.**
- 2. Copy of a letter expressing concern and requesting action be reconsidered by the RI Resource Recovery Corporation concerning the planned increase to tipping fees.**

Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second by Councilor Bodington, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas, Mushen): That the bills be allowed and ordered paid as follows: \$45,116.99

Nationalgrid - Public Safety @ Transfer Station \$269.73

Nationalgrid - Town Hall \$270.46

Nationalgrid - I.O.O.F. \$22.16

Nationalgrid - 32 Commons \$20.23

Nationalgrid - Town Dock \$28.60

Direct Energy - Transfer Station \$30.39

Direct Energy - Public Safety Complex \$739.88

Wilbur's General Store - Town Hall \$5.58

Wilbur's General Store - Maintenance \$29.91

E & J Tripp Lawn Care Inc - Cemetery Fund \$184.00

GoTo Comm. Cleaning Services - Public Safety Complex \$866.66

Home Depot - Cemetery Fund / Maintenance \$42.82
Salva & Sons Safe & Security - Zoning Board \$9.00
Paychex of New York LLC - Treasurer \$479.27
Aquidneck Mooring - Harbor Master \$57.00
Tiverton Sign Shop - Assessors \$150.00
McGeough's Turf Management Inc - Civic Rec. \$345.00
Seekonk Supply Inc - Highway Dept. \$342.00
Vic's Car Wash - Police Dept. \$19.00
Cox Communications - Police Dept. \$189.02
Cox Communications - Police Dept. \$71.99
Sakonnet Veterinary Hospital - Police Dept. \$450.00
Verizon - Police Dept. \$278.25
NESPIN - Police Dept. \$100.00
Rob's Auto Care Inc. - Police Dept. \$45.00
Belmont Springs - Police Dept. \$29.85
Thomas Wood - Police Dept. \$470.00
Saffron Group, Inc. - Police Dept. \$124.79 \$1,777.90
Verizon - Transfer Station \$30.08
Verizon - Building Official \$59.03
Verizon - Maintenance Dept. \$30.08
Verizon - Maintenance Dept. \$32.98
Nationalgrid - Peckham Lot \$101.08
Nationalgrid -Street Lights \$15.73
Helger's South Coast Power Equipment - Maintenance \$299.99
Direct Energy - Street Lights \$4.38
Direct Energy - Town Hall \$265.56

Direct Energy - I.O.O.F. \$10.98

Direct Energy - 32 Commons \$9.00

Direct Energy - Peckham Lot \$91.90

Direct Energy - Town Dock \$17.59

Direct Energy - Public Safety @ Transfer Station \$264.83

W.B.Mason - Town Hall / Clerk / Treasurer / Council \$312.69

Eastbay Newspapers - Town Council \$100.80

Eastbay Newspapers - Probate \$60.00

Eastbay Newspapers - Zoning Board \$182.70

Petro - Diesel \$417.31

Helger's South Coast Power Equipment - Maintenance \$35.30

Marine Rescue Products - Michael Massa \$40.00

Petro - Gasoline \$2,288.59

Effluent Technologies - Wastewater Treatment Facility \$1,302.50

Republic Services - Transfer Station \$3,549.94

William L Moore - Building Official \$1,700.00

Cox Communications - 32 Commons \$34.21

Allied Court Reporters, Inc - Legal - Other \$595.00

Richard S. Humphrey - Solicitor \$4,083.34

Galvin Law - Legal - Other \$3,011.35

Galvin Law - Legal - Other \$4,322.50

Sakonnet Plumbing & Heating Inc - Public Safety Complex \$271.50

Tiverton Auto Body - Ambulance Reim. \$1,273.81

Saint Anne's Hospital - Ambulance Reim. \$17.95

Dawson Group - Ambulance Reim. \$707.79

Firematic Supply Co., Inc. - Ambulance Reim. \$50.91

Air Cleaning Specialists - Ambulance Reim. \$1,164.00

Verizon - Ambulance Reim. \$122.83

Wilbur's General Store - Ambulance Reim. \$12.83

Belmont Springs - Fire Dept. \$37.96

Cox Communications - Fire Dept. \$151.25

Grigg's & Browne Co., Inc. - Fire Dept. \$50.00

Valcourt Heating - Fire Dept. \$240.00

Robert Porawski - Fire Dept. \$193.28

Mark Brisk - Fire Dept. \$193.28 \$4,215.89

Vision Government Solutions - Assessors \$3,900.00

Vision Government Solutions - Assessors \$2,250.00

Vision Government Solutions - Assessors \$5,510.00

Nationalgrid - Adamsville Street Lights \$29.57

At 7:20 PM the Town Council President polled his fellow Councilors as to their wishes to enter into executive session under RIGL Section 42-46-5(a)(2) collective bargaining IAFF. All voted in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas, Mushen) Members present: Charles N. Appleton, Jr., Fred M. Bodington, III, Paul J. Golembeske, Gary S. Mataronas, Robert L. Mushen. Also: Richard S. Humphrey, Town Solicitor and Thomas Dunn, Town Administrator.

The Council took a moment to allow the public to leave the council chambers.

Discussion of potential options to respond to IAFF Local 3957

regarding a request which effects the collective bargaining agreement between IAFF and the Town of Little Compton.

At 7:45 PM the Town Council President polled his fellow Councilors as to their wishes to come out of executive session under RIGL Section 42-46-5(a)(2) collective bargaining IAFF. All voted in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas, Mushen)

Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second by Councilor Bodington, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas, Mushen): To adjourn at 7:46 PM.

Carol A Wordell, Town Clerk