

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

July 18, 2006 at 7:00 p.m.

BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS

1. Call to Order 7:00 p.m. All Councilors were present. Councilor O'Grady arrived at 7:07 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Minutes

June 20, 2006

Voted 4-0 to defer these minutes, (KM – RM).

4. Holiday Sales

a. Firenza Jewelers, Inc.

Voted 4-0 to approve a Holiday Sales License for Firenza Jewelers, (RM – RL).

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Citation for Scouts (McKenna-Macksoud)

Councilors Macksoud and McKenna have been invited to attend Eagle ceremonies for Colby Darling and Andrew Marginot and will present them with a Citation from the Lincoln Town Council.

Call to Order 7:05 p.m.

Consent Agenda

The Council voted 4-0 to accept the consent agenda as amended, (KM – RM). The consent agenda consists of the following items:

Consideration of Monthly Bills

- 1. Accounts Payable – Library: FY 05-06 \$42,302.41**
- 2. Accounts Payable – School: FY 05-06 \$206,917.29**
- 3. Accounts Payable – Town: FY 05-06 \$151,854.59 / FY**

06-07 \$227,655.34

Direct Pay – Town: FY 05-06 \$838,016.51 / FY 06-07

\$92,165.18

Minutes

- 1. April 25 – Regular Meeting**
- 2. May 26 – Special Meeting**
- 3. June 29 – Special Meeting**

Claims for Referral to Committee

- a. Vincent Barricelli**
- b. Jeffrey Russo**
- c. Mrs. Shirley A. Martin**

Communications

State Mandated Financial Reports

a. Town

1. John Tindall-Gibson

a. Housing Aid – New Middle School

2. Judy Hadley

a. Land Trust Open Space Recommendation

3. Town of Barrington

4. Town of Richmond

5. Town of Burrillville

6. Pat Choiniere

7. Marguerite Gagne – Lou’s Café’

Reports

1. Town Administrator

Public Comment

John Cullen: Mr. Cullen stated he would be attending the Cumberland Planning Board meeting on July 26th and urged members to also attend. He is opposed to a new chemical company being brought in to a site on Martin Street near the town line.

Ed O’Neill: Mr. O’Neill is requesting the Council keep the Town informed on the Camp Meehan purchase.

Jim Spooner: Mr. Spooner asked where the amendment to the Homestead stands. Councilor Macksoud stated it is still in the

Ordinance committee. Mr. Spooner also had a question on the assessment of the old town hall building.

The Council voted 5-0 to amend the agenda to allow the Council to address Mr. Spooner's question, (JO – KM). Councilor Macksoud explained that the Council can't change the assessment and that Mr. Spooner should speak to the Assessor regarding this issue.

Derek Meilkejohn: Mr. Meilkejohn wants to see public comment on work session agendas.

Ron Loparto: Mr. Loparto talked about a problem residents of Butterfly Estates are having. Silt is being dumped at the entrance and residents are tracking it onto their driveways. He has filed a complaint with the building department.

Minutes

4. April 25 - Ordinance Committee Meeting

5. April 25 – Claims Committee

6. June 19 – Claims Committee Meeting

7. June 19 – Ordinance Committee Meeting

8. June 20 – Regular Meeting

Voted 5-0 to defer these minutes, (KM – RM)

Appointments

1. Town Moderator

Voted 5-0 to defer this appointment, (RM – KM). The Council will try to schedule interviews during the August work session.

2. Tenant Board - District 1

Voted 5-0 to defer, (JO – RM).

3. Tenant Board – District 2

Voted 5-0 to re-appoint Jocelyn Bushey, (KM – JO).

4. Tenant Board – District 4

Voted 5-0 to defer, (RL – JO).

5. Tenant Board – District 5

Voted 5-0 to re-appoint Joseph Riel, (RM – KM).

6. Conservation Commission – District 1

Voted 5-0 to defer, (JO – RM).

7. Conservation Commission – District 2

Voted 5-0 to defer, (JO – KM).

8. Conservation Commission – District 3

Voted 5-0 to defer, (KM – RM).

9. Conservation Commission – District 4

Voted 5-0 to defer, (RL – JO).

10. Conservation Commission – District 5

Voted 5-0 to defer, (RM – KM).

11. Zoning Board – District 3

Voted 5-0 to re-appoint Jina Kampetosas, (KM – RM).

Unfinished Business

1. Claims Committee Report

a. Kimberly A. Graziano

The Council voted 5-0 to deny this claim and send it to the School Committee, (RM – JO). The Claims committee had originally recommended to settle for half the amount of the claim, however

changed their minds after hearing from the Personnel Director.

b. Pat Dubois

Voted 5-0 to defer, (JO – RM).

2. Ordinance Committee Report

Ordinances – vote on Ordinances for consideration and/or passage

a. Ordinance 06-04: Amendment to Lincoln’s Homestead Exemption

b. Ordinance 06-05: An Ordinance In Amendment To The Tax Rate of The Town of Lincoln

Councilor Macksoud reported there is no action to be taken on these ordinances, as they are still in the Ordinance Committee.

3. School Facilities update

a. Change Order

Voted 5-0 to approve the change order for the Lonsdale Roof Repair and Lincoln Middle School in the amount of \$103,600, (KM – JO).

Voted to approve change order #9 in the amount of \$99,166, (KM – RM).

4. Freedom of Speech Through Public Comment at Council Work Sessions and All Public Meetings – Discussion and Action

Motion to discuss this item failed 2-3, (RL – JO). Councilors Loparto and O’Grady voted in favor of discussing. Councilor Loparto attempted to discuss and was called to order.

5. Landscape Architect – Change in Scope of Work

Voted 4-1 to ratify the change in the scope of work of the Landscape Architect, (RM – KM). Councilor Loparto was opposed. Councilor O’Grady explained the Council had been given a presentation at the work session on upgrades to Albion and Lime Acres parks. Councilor Loparto questioned where the money was coming from.

6. Lawsuit Updates

Voted 5-0 to discuss, (RL – JO). Solicitor Krieger handed the Council an update on pending litigations.

New Business

1. Resolutions introduction for Referral to Committee

a. Resolution 06-22: Veteran’s Tax Exemption

Voted 5-0 to table this resolution, (KM – RM).

Communications

8. State Mandated Financial Reports

a. School

b. Water Department

Voted 5-0 to defer, (9KM – RM).

9. Councilor Loparto

a. Joyce A. Comstock

Councilor Loparto read a newspaper article on Ms. Comstock and commended her for being a role model for young girls.

10. Manville Fire Department – Cross Street

Voted 5-0 to send this communication to the Public Safety Committee, (RM – KM).

Councilor Comment

Councilor O’Grady responded to the communication from Judy Hadley, chair of the land Trust. He wanted to recognize their efforts and appreciates their hard work.

Councilor Loparto wanted elected officials to be aware of the fact that Lincoln has not had a good relationship with State officials.

Adjourn

This meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m., (RM 0 KM).

Karen D. Allen

Town Clerk