

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING - WEDNESDAY EVENING - JANUARY 23, 2008

PRESENT: Marshall, Cordeiro, Parella and Barboza

ABSENT: Herreshoff

ALSO PRESENT: Michael A. Ursillo, Esq. Town Solicitor
Marshall J. Netto, Town Sergeant

The Council met in regular session on Wednesday, January 23, 2008 beginning at 7:03 o'clock PM in the Town Hall, Council Chambers, Council Chairman Marshall presiding:

Prior to the commencement of this evening's regular agenda, the Council allowed the Clerk to announce the polling places for the upcoming Presidential Preference Primary on behalf of the Board of Canvassers. The Clerk informed those present that the Canvassers will hold elections in three polling places divided by State Senatorial District: Those in Senate District 10 will vote at the RI Veterans Home; those in Senate District 11 will vote at the Franklin Court Community Room; and those in Senate District 32 will vote at the Bristol Housing Authority (Benjamin Church Manor) Community Room.

He also noted that a detailed list of polling places will be advertised in the Bristol Phoenix from January 24, 2008 until the end of February.

Council Chairman Marshall noted the recent "State of the State" address delivered by Governor Carcieri and noted that Bristol was "ahead of the curve" concerning collaborations and budgets etc. He expressed concern that the negativism expressed by media journalists was unfortunate since it was damaging to the State's bond rating which will likely result in a higher tax bill for Rhode Island citizens.

Council Chairman Marshall also noted that there were many positive aspects of the State and that he was proud to be a Rhode Islander and a citizen of this "special Town." Councilman Cordeiro agreed with Council Chairman Marshall. Councilman Barboza noted that the Town was "well ahead of the curve" and cited several examples of the Town's good fiscal management.

Councilwoman Parella stated that she was concerned in light of the tone of the Governor's message and further stated that she was apprehensive that the State may wish to balance its budget by forcing increases to local property tax rates.

Council Chairman Marshall noted the upcoming Town Council workshop with the members of the local General Assembly

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delegation and invited the attendance and participation of those present.

Council Chairman Marshall also noted the establishment of a local office of the College Planning Center of Rhode Island; now located in Bell Tower Plaza. He explained that this center will offer one-on-one counseling for college bound students.

Councilman Cordeiro explained that Anthony Santoro, President Emeritus of Roger Williams University was a board member of this College Planning Center group and that he (Dr. Santoro) was an advocate for locating this nearby office.

Councilman Barboza announced an ongoing search for employees by a marine-trades contractor. He provided flyers for distribution at the Town Hall.

Councilwoman Parella raised the issue of collaborations and explained that the topic was examined as the focus of a study completed by University of Rhode Island planning students under her direction in 1992. Town Treasurer Day provided a copy of the 1992 report; this report will be copied and distributed to the Council.

MOTION RE: CONSENT AGENDA - TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA

Cordeiro/Barboza - Voted
unanimously to approve the Consent
Agenda as presented.

A. SUBMISSION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S)

1. Town Council Meeting - January 2, 2008

Barboza/Parella - Voted unanimously
to accept these minutes as prepared
and presented.

**2. Town Council Special Meeting re Recreation
Board - January 9, 2008**

Barboza/Parella - Voted unanimously
to accept these minutes as prepared
and presented.

(CA) AA. SUBMISSION OF MINUTES-Boards and Commissions

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1. North and East Burial Ground Commission - April 16, 2007
2. Historic District Commission - December 6, 2007
3. Zoning Board of Review - December 3, 2007
4. Fourth of July Committee - September 12, 2007
5. Fourth of July Committee - October 17, 2007
6. Bristol Housing Authority - December 17, 2007
7. Harbor Commission - January 7, 2008
8. Bristol County Water Authority/Board of Directors - Annual Meeting, December 12, 2007
9. Bristol County Water Authority/Board of Directors - December 12, 2007
10. Bristol County Water Authority/Audit Finance Committee - January 9, 2008
11. Bristol County Water Authority/Public Relations/Personnel Committee - January 9, 2008
12. Bristol County Water Authority/Engineering Committee - January 9, 2008
13. Board of Canvassers - Special Meeting, October 22, 2007

B. OLD BUSINESS

1. Michael Ferreira to Town Administrator Mederos, et al re food service at Gillary's Tavern

Barboza/Cordeiro - Voted
unanimously to receive and place
this matter on file.
2. Beta - Silver Creek Drainage Study, November 2007

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Barboza/Cordeiro - Voted
unanimously to receive and place
this matter on file.

3. Linda Oliveira, 15 Pawtucket Avenue re
drainage problems, continued from December
12, 2007

Barboza/Parella - Voted unanimously
to receive and place this matter on
file.

Prior to the vote taken, Ms. Oliveira expressed concern that the debris from snow removal might be deposited into the drainage trench and prevent the flow of water through same. The Council instructed the Clerk to bring this concern to the attention of Town Administrator Mederos.

Also, Ms. Oliveira expressed her thanks to all who were involved in the resolution of this long-standing drainage problem.

Council Chairman Marshall stated that the resolution of the problem was a collaborative effort between the Town Administrator, Department of Public Works, Town Solicitor and others.

Councilwoman Parella stated that she was pleased that the problem appeared to be finally resolved.

4. Council Chairman Marshall re paying seniors
to work off taxes, continued from January 2,
2008
 - a. Town of Concord, MA re Senior Citizen
Tax Work-Off Program
 - b. Rita P. Ayres-Gaulin, Benjamin Church
Senior Center re Senior Property Tax -
"Work for Credit" Program

Cordeiro/Barboza - Voted
unanimously to place this matter on
the table.

Prior to the vote taken, Council Chairman Marshall explained his position on this matter in that he initially raised the topic to provide some "food for thought." He noted that the idea of hiring senior citizens to work in lieu of paying

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taxes was a singular option in an entire field of options and that no one would be forced to accept a job if he or she did not wish to participate. He also noted that a program similar to the one described in place in the Town of Concord would require some study; the establishment of qualification criteria, budgets, management standards, etc.

He further stated that he asked the Town Treasurer and Tax Assessor to study the matter and at the same time to make readily available information concerning the already established elderly tax exemptions and tax freeze as allowed by Town ordinance.

Councilman Cordeiro noted the report of Ms. Ayres-Gaulin and thanked her for her learned reply.

Councilman Barboza noted that the raising of the idea was 'well intentioned' but further noted that the ramifications of a program of this type must be carefully considered as per the memorandum provided by Ms. Ayres-Gaulin. He also explained in some detail the tax deferral program available to elderly citizens.

Councilwoman Parella suggested that the Council might consider providing some limited funds to support the efforts of a graduate student who might research the various topics exemptions, work in lieu of taxes, etc., on behalf of the Council. She further suggested that this matter might be discussed during budget deliberations.

Town Solicitor Ursillo noted that he was aware that Town Administrator Mederos was studying the matter and suggested that a graduate student intern might be involved to help with the analysis.

Councilman Cordeiro noted that Roger Williams University has some "outstanding" students who might be available to work on this type of project in the future but that most have already received their student-project assignments for this semester.

5. Roberta B. Merkle, President, Cornerstone Adult Services, Inc. re update on outreach activities

Cordeiro/Parella - Voted
unanimously to receive and place
this matter on file and to instruct
the Clerk to send a letter to Ms.

Merkle outlining Councilwoman Parella's suggestions.

Prior to the vote taken, Councilwoman Parella stated that she was surprised that the organization was recruiting within local nursing homes and that it may be more advantageous for the group to provide outreach to those middle-aged individuals who may be looking for assistance in caring for elderly relatives. She suggested that Cornerstone might bring their message to the Rotary Club, local PTO organizations or job sites.

6. Susan Degan re memorial bench at Low Lane

Barboza/Cordeiro - Voted unanimously to continue this matter until the meeting of March 5, 2008 and to instruct the Clerk to send a copy of the proposal to the Harbor Commission for comment and also to clarify Ms. Degan's plans including the intended inscription for the bench.

Prior to the vote taken, Councilman Barboza stated that he and the Clerk were working to determine the exact dimensions of the Town's right of way and also suggested that the planned inscription should be reviewed by the Council prior to the installation of the bench.

It was also agreed that the Harbor Commission should, again, receive this proposal for comment since it was uncertain if they would favor a bench instead of a plaque.

BB. SPECIAL /STATUS REPORTS

1. Mount Hope Enterprise Zone Council - Summary of Accomplishments, December 2007

Barboza/Cordeiro - Voted unanimously to receive and place this matter on file.

2. Bristol Warren Regional School Committee - Annual Report, June 30, 2007

Barboza/Cordeiro - Voted unanimously to receive and place this matter on file.

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C. PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. Ordinance #2007-43, CHAPTER 8, Boats, Docks and Waterways, Article II, Harbor Regulations, Section 8-57 through 8-67, **2nd reading for adoption**

- a. Council Clerk Cirillo re Harbor Fees per Ordinance #2007-42 in Amendment to Chapter 11 - Comprehensive Schedule of Fees

LATE ITEM

- b. Matthew J. Calouro, Assistant Harbormaster re Ordinance Revisions

LATE ITEM

- c. Louis A. Sousa, Esq., Lisa & Sousa, Ltd. re Proposed changes to Harbor Management Plan, Section 8 of Town Code

2. Harbor Management Plan Update, Mooring Management, Section 2 Issues

Cordeiro/Barboza - Voted unanimously to continue these Public Hearings (related Items C1 and C2) until the meeting of March 5, 2008.

Prior to the vote taken, Council Chairman Marshall expressed the opinion that the ordinance and plan, as drafted, should be further reviewed and approved by CRMC and DEM prior to the Council's final consideration. He suggested that the Council might continue this matter until March 5 when it might receive the recommendations/approval of those agencies.

(It is noted for the record that this matter was discussed and voted at the commencement of this evening's agenda)

D. ORDINANCES

1. Ordinance #2007-31, CHAPTER 29, Soil Erosion, Runoff, and Sediment Control, Article III, Soil Erosion, Runoff and Sediment Control Plan, Section 29-59, Performance Principles, (version 1), **2nd reading for adoption, (continued from January 2, 2008)**

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- a. Director of Community Development
Williamson and Principal Planner Tanner
- revision
- b. Assistant Town Solicitor Teitz re
proposed Soil Erosion Ordinance
Amendments

Barboza/Parella - Voted unanimously to consider this action to be the 2nd Reading of Ordinance #2007-31, as revised per the memorandum of Ms. Williamson and Mr. Tanner, for adoption. Advertise in local newspaper.

Prior to the vote taken, Council Chairman Marshall noted that the amendments as proposed were a collaborative effort and thanked all those who worked toward this revision.

Andrew Tyska of King Philip Avenue informed the Council that he was of the opinion that the revision was the product of the "great efforts of the staff and Council" and that although everyone was not completely "happy" with the result all can comfortably "live with it."

Council Chairman Marshall also explained that a more comprehensive ordinance would be needed in the future and that this will require time.

2. Ordinance #2007-43, CHAPTER 8, Boats, Docks and Waterways, Article II, Harbor Regulations, Section 8-57 through 8-67, **2nd reading for adoption, (continued from January 2, 2008)**

- a. Harbormaster re commercial permit fee extension

(See items C1 and C2 above)

3. Ordinance #2008-01, CHAPTER 11, Fees and Charges, Section 11-1, Comprehensive schedule of fees, (37) Fire/rescue department, **1st reading**

Barboza/Cordeiro - Voted unanimously to consider this action to be the 1st Reading of Ordinance

#2008-01. Advertise in local newspaper.

(CA) E. BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS

1. Tax Assessor Spagnolo - Recommended Abatements and Additions

Approval of consent agenda="Motion to approve these adjustments."

(CA) F. APPOINTMENTS

Approval of consent agenda="Motion to approve advertising these Appointments."

1. Public Service Appointments

- a. Harbor Master

1. Joseph Cabral, 55 Ferry Road - interest/reappointment

Councilman Cordeiro nominated Joseph Cabral for reappointment as Harbor Master for the ensuing year.

Cordeiro/Barboza - Voted unanimously to close nominations and to instruct the Clerk to cast one ballot in favor of Mr. Cabral, term to expire in January 2009.

- b. Assistant Harbor Masters (5)

1. Matthew J. Calouro, 118 Fales Road - interest/reappointment
2. Aristotle Gatos, 44 Roosevelt Drive - interest/reappointment
3. David Sartrys, 36 DeWolf Avenue - interest/reappointment
4. Timothy Gallison, 50 King Philip Avenue - interest/reappointment
5. Charles Andrew Lombardo, 3 Bradford Street - interest/reappointment

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6. Alan D. Leach, 25 Pawtucket Avenue
- interest/appointment

bb. Recommendation - Harbormaster

Councilman Barboza nominated Messrs. Calouro, Gatos, Sartrys, Gallison, and Lombardo for reappointment as Assistant Harbor Masters as recommended by Harbor Master Cabral.

Barboza/Cordeiro - Voted unanimously to close nominations and to instruct the Clerk to cast one ballot each in favor of Messrs. Calouro, Gatos, Sartrys, Gallison and Lombardo, terms to expire in January, 2009.

c. Auxiliary Harbor Masters (3)

1. Arthur M. Franco, 46 Kingswood Road
- interest/reappointment
2. George A. Gatos, 55 State Street -
interest/reappointment

cc. Recommendation - Harbormaster

Councilman Barboza nominated Messrs. Franco and Gatos for reappointment to the position of Auxiliary Harbor Masters as recommended by Harbor Master Cabral.

Barboza/Cordeiro - Voted unanimously to close nominations and to instruct the Clerk to cast one ballot each in favor of Messrs. Franco and Gatos, term to expire in January, 2009.

After the vote taken, it was suggested that the Clerk might contact Mr. Leach (an applicant to the position of Assistant Harbor Master) and determine if he might be interested in the opening for Auxiliary Harbor Master. The Clerk agreed to do so and if Mr. Leach was found to have interest, to schedule a mutually convenient interview with the Council.

d. Board of Tenants' Affairs (2)

1. Marie P. Tucker, 1014 Hope Street,
Apt. 15 - interest/reappointment

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2. Lorraine Mello, 150 Franklin Street, Apt. 111 - resignation
3. Carole A. Hughes, 1014 Hope Street, Apt. T1 - interest/appointment

Councilman Barboza nominated Ms. Tucker for reappointment and Ms. Hughes for appointment.

Barboza/Parella - Voted unanimously to close nominations and to instruct the Clerk to cast one ballot each in favor of Ms. Tucker and Ms. Hughes, term to expire in January 2010.

Barboza/Parella - Voted unanimously to instruct the Clerk to send a letter of thanks to Ms. Mello for her years of service on this board.

e. Bristol Housing Authority

1. Delina Marshall, 1014 Hope Street, Apt. H5 - interest/reappointment
 - a. Donald Luminello, President, Tenants Association - Recommendation

Councilman Barboza nominated Ms. Marshall for reappointment.

Barboza/Parella - Voted unanimously to close nominations and to instruct the Clerk to cast one ballot in favor of Ms. Marshall, term to expire January 31, 2013.

f. Tree Warden

1. Samuel Church Kinder, 315 Hope Street - interest/reappointment

Councilman Barboza nominated Mr. Kinder for reappointment.

Barboza/Parella - Voted unanimously to close nominations and instruct the Clerk to cast one ballot in favor of Mr. Kinder, term to expire in January 2009.

g. Waypoyset Trust

1. Prof. William B. Sweeney, 42
Clipper Way -
interest/reappointment

Councilman Cordeiro nominated Prof. Sweeney for reappointment.

Cordeiro/Parella - Voted
unanimously to close nominations
and to instruct the Clerk to cast
one ballot in favor of Prof.
Sweeney, term to expire in January,
2010.

h. CRMC Alternate Subcommittee

1. Thomas G. Breslin, M.D., 7 Dana
Road - interest/reappointment

Councilman Cordeiro nominated Dr. Breslin for reappointment.

Cordeiro/Parella - Voted
unanimously to close nominations
and to instruct the Clerk to cast
one ballot in favor of Dr. Breslin,
term to expire in January, 2009.

i. Recreation Board (2) (to fill unexpired
terms to expire 2/09 and 2/10),
(continued from December 12, 2007)

1. Michelle Mascena, 381 High Street -
interest/appointment
2. N. Diane Davis, 25 Butterworth
Avenue, interest/appointment
3. Warren Rensehausen, 112 Church
Street, interest/appointment
4. Nancy Chase, 21 Constitution
Street, interest/appointment

Cordeiro/Barboza - Voted
unanimously to hold these
appointments in abeyance pending

the Council's further consideration of the Recreation Ordinance.

- j. Recreation Board - new applicants
 - 1. Richard P. O'Connell, 51 Collins Street, interest/appointment
 - 2. Edward J. Quinn, 5 Poppasquash Road, interest/appointment

Cordeiro/Barboza - Voted unanimously to instruct the Clerk to schedule interviews with Messrs. O'Connell and Quinn at a time mutually convenient to the applicants and the Council.

- k. Fire Police - Special Constables

Councilman Barboza nominated those recommended and listed by Fire Chief Martin to serve as Special Constables-Fire Police, for appointment

Barboza/Cordeiro - Voted unanimously to close nominations and to instruct the Clerk to cast one ballot each in favor of those listed and recommended, term to expire in January, 2009.

- 1. Special Constables, Private Investigators, Matrons and Reserve Officers

Councilman Barboza nominated those recommended and listed by Police Chief Serpa to serve as Special Constables, Private Investigators, Matrons and Reserve Officers, for appointment.

Barboza/Cordeiro - Voted unanimously to close nominations and to instruct the Clerk to cast one ballot each in favor of those listed and recommended, term to expire in January, 2009.

- (CA) 2. Public Service Appointments for February

G. LICENSING BOARD - NEW PETITIONS

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1. Michael Ferreira, d/b/a Gillary's Tavern, 198 Thames Street - request for One-Day Sunday Dancing and Entertainment License for February 24, 2008, 7:00 PM - 11:00 PM

- a. Recommendation - Police Chief

Barboza/Cordeiro - Voted unanimously to grant this license per to the recommendation received and subject to conformance to all laws and ordinances and payment of all fees, taxes and levies.

2. Anita Trezvant, d/b/a Hope Gallery, 435 Hope Street - request for Holiday Sales License

- a. Recommendation - Police Chief

Barboza/Cordeiro - Voted unanimously to grant this license per to the recommendation received and subject to conformance to all laws and ordinances and payment of all fees, taxes and levies.

H. LICENSING BOARD - RENEWALS

(CA) I. UTILITY PETITIONS

Approval of consent agenda="Motion to approve these petitions."

1. Sewer Permits - WPCF

J. PETITIONS - OTHER

1. Council Clerk Cirillo re removal of handicap parking space from list - 19 Catherine Street, **1st reading**

- a. Recommendation - Town Administrator and Police Chief

Cordeiro/Barboza - Voted unanimously to consider this action to be the 1st reading of this

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petition. Continue for 2nd reading on February 13, 2008.

2. Carol St. Angelo for Mrs. Wissing, 89 State Street - request for removal of handicap parking space, **1st reading**
 - a. Recommendation - Town Administrator and Police Chief

Barboza/Cordeiro - Voted unanimously to consider this action to be the 1st reading of this petition. Continue for 2nd reading on February 13, 2008.

3. Carolyn A. Rix, 180 Franklin Street, Apt. 220 - request for reimbursement of medical bills due to fall at corner of Franklin/Hope Street

Barboza/Cordeiro - Voted unanimously to refer this matter to the Insurance Committee.

4. Anita Trezvant, d/b/a Hope Gallery, 435 Hope Street - request for installation of sign over town sidewalk
 - a. Recommendation - Police Chief
 - b. Recommendation - Town Administrator and Department of Public Works

Cordeiro/Barboza - Voted unanimously to grant this petition per the recommendations received and subject to the filing of certificate of insurance indemnifying the Town.

5. Donald H. Levine, d/b/a Olympic Physical Therapy, Inc., 450 Hope Street - request for installation of sign over town sidewalk
 - a. Recommendation - Police Chief
 - b. Recommendation - Town Administrator and Department of Public Works

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Cordeiro/Barboza - Voted unanimously to grant this petition per the recommendations received and subject to the filing of certificate of insurance indemnifying the Town.

6. Anthony Margiotta, 736 Hope Street - request to hold Art Festival on Town Common June 7 & 8, 2008/hold the event at Independence Park in 2009

- a. Recommendation - Director, Parks and Recreation
- b. Recommendation - Department of Public Works

Barboza/Parella - Voted unanimously to grant this petition per the recommendations received.

7. Annette M. Conte, 10 Dixon Avenue - request for reimbursement of medical bills due to fall in front of Benjamin Church Manor

Barboza/Cordeiro - Voted unanimously to refer this matter to the Insurance Committee.

K. OTHER NEW BUSINESS REQUIRING TOWN COUNCIL ACTION

1. Rhode Island Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy - 2007 Annual Report

Barboza/Cordeiro - Voted unanimously to receive and place this matter on file.

2. Dave Silvia, Boys State Rep, to Councilman Barboza re request for donation to American Legion Boys State Program

Barboza/Parella - Voted unanimously to appropriate \$100 from the Council Contingency account toward this program.

3. Paul C. Dolan, Deputy Chief, Division of Forest Environment, Department of

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Environmental Management re America The
Beautiful Grants Program

Parella/Barboza - Voted unanimously
to encourage administration to
apply for these funds.

4. Director of Community Development Williamson
- request for Executive Session pursuant to
RIGL 42-46-5(a)(5) property acquisition

It is hereby noted for the record that action on this agenda
item was taken at the conclusion of the public agenda.

5. Bristol Boat Show Committee, Independence
Park - request to provide entertainment
Saturday, May 31, 2008, 11:00 AM - 7:00 PM
and Sunday, June 1, 2008, 11:00 AM - 4:00 PM
 - a. Recommendation - Town Administrator and
Police Chief

Barboza/Cordeiro - Voted
unanimously to grant this petition
per the recommendations received.

6. Council Clerk Cirillo re Budget Workshop
Schedule 2008-2009

Cordeiro/Barboza - Voted
unanimously to approve this
schedule as prepared and presented.

7. Sylvester Daughtry, Jr., Executive Director,
Commission On Accreditation For Law
Enforcement Agencies, Inc. re
Accredited/Reaccredited Award to the Bristol
Police Department

Barboza/Parella - Voted unanimously
to receive and place this matter on
file and to instruct the Clerk to
send a congratulatory message to
Police Chief Serpa et al on behalf
of the Council.

Prior to the vote taken, Councilman Barboza explained that
this particular accreditation was accomplished through a
voluntary process and that it was a specific goal of Police
Chief Serpa who is retiring from office. He noted that the

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recognition was very prestigious and that the department should be congratulated for its efforts.

8. Elisa Gilroy/Barbara B. Martin, Union Street
- request workshop re outdoor wood burning
furnaces, boilers & heaters

Cordeiro/Parella - Voted
unanimously to refer this matter to
Town Solicitor Ursillo so that he
may provide a report to the Council
prior to the scheduling of a
workshop.

Prior to the vote taken, Ms. Martin and Ms. Gilroy addressed the Council and noted that an outdoor wood burning furnace has been installed in their neighborhood and is allegedly the cause of noxious fumes that are infiltrating neighborhood homes. Ms. Martin read from a prepared statement outlining issues concerning same.

Councilwoman Parella suggested that the Town might consider an outright ban on these devices she suggested that this matter might be discussed with the members of the General Assembly who will be in attendance on Saturday at the special meeting scheduled.

Town Solicitor Ursillo agreed that special legislation might be needed to control outdoor furnaces and that his office might draft same after researching the matter on behalf of the Council.

Sebastian Wordell also of Union Street explained that he is the owner of the controversial furnace and agreed to take steps to minimize any negative effects of its operation. He noted that he is also taking steps to rectify a placement problem in that the device is too close to an abutting property owner. He also stated that he plans to change the type of fuel he is using and will also increase the height of the smokestack.

Mr. Wordell also alleged that the device is environmentally friendly and that the changes he plans should alleviate any further concern.

Council Chairman Marshall suggested that the Clerk might contact both the petitioners and Mr. Wordell once the Solicitor has delivered his report to the Council.

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9. Dyanne Gibree, President, Friends of Foley re request \$2 million bond issue referendum on the 2008 ballot

Parella/Barboza - Voted unanimously to refer this matter to the Bond Counsel so that she might draft appropriate language for a ballot question concerning same.

Prior to the vote taken, Ms. Gibree explained that her group is planning fundraising activities to support a new state of the art animal shelter and that the funds raised will provide for supplies and services. She stated that the architect's plan for the proposed building will be the "shelter of the future."

Ms. Gibree also explained that the current shelter is overcrowded and outmoded.

Councilwoman Parella suggested that Ms. Gibree might talk to this plan at budget time concerning promotional costs, etc. and that she should also offer a "plan B" if the bond issue should not receive the support of the electorate.

10. Council Chairman Marshall and Councilman Cordeiro re Municipal Energy Audit with National Grid

Barboza/Parella - Voted unanimously to refer this matter to Town Administrator Mederos so that she may discuss same with the various departments.

Prior to the vote taken, Council Chairman Marshall stated that he and Councilman Cordeiro suggest that the various town agencies/buildings might undergo an energy audit and that the overall goal might be to reduce energy costs by 10%.

11. Council Chairman Marshall and Councilman Cordeiro re Economic Development Corporation Resolution Consideration

Barboza/Parella - Voted unanimously to refer this matter to the meeting of February 13, 2008.

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Prior to the vote taken, Council Chairman Marshall suggested that the Town might adopt a resolution/policy statement encouraging economic opportunities that incorporate the arts as part of the local economy.

Councilman Barboza stated that this is precisely the focus of the re-established Pastime Theatre Foundation.

12. Town Treasurer Day re Resolutions to Borrow

Barboza/Parella - Voted unanimously to adopt these resolutions as prepared and presented.

13. Kevin R. McBride, Vice President, Caputo and Wick Ltd. to Town Administrator Mederos re Verndale Circle, existing drainage and icing problem

Barboza/Parella - Voted unanimously to continue this matter until the meeting of February 13, 2008 and refer same to Supt. Calderiso and Town Treasurer Day.

L. **BILLS & EXPENDITURES**

(CA) M. ROUTINE REPORTS

(CA) N. FINANCIAL REPORTS

Approval of consent agenda="Motion to receive and place this item on file."

1. Town Treasurer - Revenue and Expenditure Report, January 18, 2008

P. **PROCLAMATIONS & CITATIONS**

1. Arthur Sousa, Sr. - Proclamation re 70 years of service to the Fire Department

Barboza/Cordeiro - Voted unanimously to adopt this Proclamation as prepared and presented.

(CA) R. DISTRIBUTIONS/COMMUNICATIONS (to be received and filed by Council)

Approval of consent agenda="Motion to receive and place these items on file."

1. Town Administrator Mederos to Greenwood Emergency Vehicles, Inc., North Attleboro, MA - award of Bid #649 Aerial Ladder Fire Apparatus
2. Council Clerk Cirillo to Director of Public Works Serbst re add handicap parking space, 116 State Street
3. Warrant - Charles C. Cavalconte, Auxiliary Member/North and East Burial Ground Commission
4. Warrant - Clifford Woods, Open Space Committee
5. Council Clerk Cirillo to Pamela Tesler Howitt, Stewardship Manager, The Rhode Island Foundation re Grant #20070615
6. Council Clerk Cirillo to Hon. U. S. Rep. Patrick J. Kennedy re Grant Application - Silver Creek Restoration
7. Council Clerk Cirillo to Rita Ayres-Gaulin, Director, Benjamin Church Senior Center re Senior Property Tax - "Work for Credit"
8. Coastal Resources Management Council to Dominic Franco, Chairman, Bristol Harbor Commission re CRMC File No. 2006-04-062, Gunter Hafer, 333 Poppasquash Road
9. Class F Intoxicating Beverage License - St. Elizabeth Church/Fundraiser, January 19, 2008

(CA) RR. DISTRIBUTIONS/NOTICE OF MEETINGS
(office copy only)

Approval of consent agenda="Motion to receive and place these items on file."

1. Coastal Resources Management Council - (Amended) January 2008 Calendar

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2. Harbor Commission - 2008 Meeting Schedule
3. Harbor Commission - January 7, 2008
4. Coastal Resources Management Council -
(Amended) January 2008 Calendar
5. (Bristol Warren Regional School Committee)
Budget/Facilities Subcommittee - January 8,
2008
6. Bristol Warren Regional School District -
Schedule of Meetings & Events, week of
January 7, 2008
7. (Bristol County Regional School Committee)
BWEA Contract Negotiation Subcommittee -
January 8, 2008
8. (Bristol Warren Regional School Committee)
Budget/Facilities Subcommittee - January 8,
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9. Bristol County Water Authority/Public
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10. Bristol County Water Authority - Annual
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12. Bristol County Water Authority/Audit Finance
Committee - January 9, 2008
13. Bristol County Water Authority/Engineering
Committee - January 9, 2008
14. Coastal Resources Management Council -
Rescheduling of Public Hearing, January 15,
2008
15. North and East Burial Ground Commission -
Annual Meeting, January 28, 2008
16. Budget/Facilities Subcommittee - January 8,
2008

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17. Bond Project Building Committee/Colt Andrews Construction Subcommittee - January 10, 2008
 18. Coastal Resources Management Council - Rescheduled Semi-Monthly Meeting, January 15, 2008
 19. Coastal Resources Management Council - (Amended) Rescheduled Semi-Monthly Meeting, January 15, 2008
 20. Bristol Parks and Recreation Department - Restoration of Silver Creek, January 17, 2008
 21. Bristol County Water Authority - February 2008 Meetings
 22. Bristol Warren Regional School District - Schedule of Meetings and Events, week of January 21, 2008
 23. Bond Project Building Committee/Colt Andrews Construction Subcommittee - January 24, 2008
 24. Bristol Warren Regional School Committee/BWEA Contract Negotiation Subcommittee - January 23, 2008
 25. Coastal Resources Management Council - Semi-Monthly Meeting, January 22, 2008
- S. TOWN SOLICITOR
- Z. INDIVIDUAL COUNCIL MEMBERS AGENDA ITEMS
1. MARSHALL
 - a. First Anniversary - Council Chairman Marshall noted that he has recently completed his first year as Council Chairman and noted that much has been accomplished during this time. He also stated that he would like to publicly acknowledge those who voluntarily serve on Town boards and commissions for their altruistic service.
 - b. Thank You Mike Davis and Steve Roth - Council Chairman Marshall acknowledged the effort of Messrs. Davis and Roth toward filming this evening's meeting. He further stated that it

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would be most welcome if Cox Communications would change its broadcast time to an evening broadcast.

Mr. Davis noted that the Citizens Cable Advisory Committee would be meeting in Warren on Thursday (January 24) in the evening and this group might help change the broadcast time. Council Chairman Marshall agreed to attend this meeting on behalf of the Town.

2. CORDEIRO

a. Fernwood Road Drainage Problems - Councilman Cordeiro noted an ongoing drainage problem on Fernwood Road. Director of Community Development Williamson agreed to ask Code Compliance Coordinator Evans to investigate the matter.

3. PARELLA

a. Arts Magnet Program Eliminated - Councilwoman Parella expressed concern that the Reynolds Arts Magnet program will be eliminated by the Bristol Warren Regional School District. She stated that she was "disheartened" by the decision; particularly in light of the fact that the arts have become an economic opportunity in Bristol.

b. Voter Registration Clarification - Councilwoman Parella asked to know if someone under-aged could register to vote with the Clerk responding that an under-aged person may register provided that said person will be 18 years of age on or before Election Day.

4. BARBOZA

a. Joint Finance Committee (B-W Regional School District) - Councilman Barboza noted the upcoming meetings of the Joint Finance Committee (dates TBD) and explained that the various parties must be "reasonable."

b. Marine Trades - Councilman Barboza noted that he was depositing flyers outlining marine trade employment opportunities in Town Hall for the benefit of the public.

c. Well Wishes - Dorothy Montaro - Councilman Barboza noted that Town Administrator Mederos'

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mother Dorothy Montaro was in frail health. He offered his well wishes on behalf of the Council.

5. HERRESHOFF

ZZ. TOWN ADMINISTRATOR AGENDA ITEM(S)

a. Director of Community Development Williamson speaking for Town Administrator Mederos informed those present that the Mosaico organization has two sponsorships available for tuition to the Yacht Restoration School. Those interested should contact Jennifer Astrella at Mosaico.

CITIZENS PUBLIC FORUM

John D. Sylvester of 80 Mount Hope Avenue informed the Council that the fields at Veterans Park have been closed by the Recreation Department despite a perceived guarantee that this would not be the case and the fields would remain open year round.

Council Chairman Marshall suggested that the Recreation Department might prepare a report on this matter and provide it for the Council at its next meeting.

Barboza/Parella - Voted unanimously to adjourn into Executive Session pursuant to RIGL 42-46-5 (a) (5) to discuss property acquisition at 9:40 o'clock PM.

Barboza/Parella - Voted unanimously to resume open session and seal the minutes of the Executive Session at 10:00 PM.

There being no further business upon a motion by Councilwoman Parella, seconded by Councilman Barboza and unanimously voted, the Chairman declared this meeting to be adjourned at 10:01 o'clock PM.

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Louis P. Cirillo, CMC
Council Clerk