

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING - WEDNESDAY EVENING - MAY 5, 2010

PRESENT: Marshall, Cordeiro, Parella, Barboza and Herreshoff

ALSO PRESENT: Diane C. Mederos, Town Administrator
Michael A. Ursillo, Esq., Town Solicitor
Marshall J. Netto, Town Sergeant

The Council met in regular session on Wednesday evening, May 5, 2010 in the Town Hall, Council Chambers beginning at 7:06 o'clock PM, Council Chairman Marshall presiding:

Prior to the commencement of this evening's regular agenda, Council Chairman Marshall noted that he, Councilwoman Parella and Councilman Barboza participated in the 2nd annual "Bodacious Bee" spelling bee contest which netted approximately \$22,000 for the Kickemuit Education Foundation.

Special Proclamation - "The History Kids"

Also, prior to the commencement of this evening's regular agenda, Council Chairman Marshall read and presented the following proclamation:

State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations
Town of Bristol

Proclamation

Be it hereby known to all that:

WHEREAS, the Town of Bristol has a long, varied, and remarkable history that is a source of great pride in our community; and

WHEREAS, this impressive history is called to mind day after day in the Town's traditions, architectural and cultural resources, and also in the dedication of the many individuals and groups who recollect and promote the gleanings of the past; and

WHEREAS, the Town is particularly privileged to enjoy the enthusiasm and accomplishments of "The History Kids" a group that joins in partnership local schools, museums, businesses and over one hundred young people; creatively and authentically bringing the past to life; and

WHEREAS, "The History Kids" began in 1991 and since that time have devoted over one thousand volunteer

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hours in service to Linden Place, Coggeshall Farm, the Bristol Historical & Preservation Society, the Downtown Merchants Association, the State of Rhode Island and also our own Town of Bristol; interpreting and enlivening our celebrated past.

THEREFORE, be it hereby RESOLVED that the Honorable Town Administrator and Honorable Town Council of the Town of Bristol, State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, individually, collectively and by these presents send their greetings and proclaim their gratitude and congratulations, in earnest, to "The History Kids" and further proclaim, this day, May 5, 2010 to be "History Kids Day" in said Town and also recognizing the individual student participants, past and present; their devoted advisor Ms. Carol Glanville, and their parents and families upon this most auspicious occasion.

In witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands and affixed the Seal of the Town of Bristol on adoption this 5th day of May, A. D. Two-thousand ten.

/s/ Diane C. Mederos, Town Administrator
/s/ Kenneth A. Marshall, Chairman
/s/ Raymond Cordeiro, Vice-chairman
/s/ Mary A. Parella, Councilwoman
/s/ David E. Barboza, Councilman
/s/ Halsey C. Herreshoff, Councilman

Attest: /s/ Louis P. Cirillo, CMC, Town Clerk

Council Chairman Marshall also noted that there will be a "celebrity roast" of Planning Board Chairman Jerome Squatrito.

Councilman Barboza noted that several members of Bristol Troop 6, BSA were present in the audience in fulfillment of merit badge requirements.

Councilman Herreshoff explained that he would like to add an agenda item concerning budgetary practices.

Barboza/Parella - Voted unanimously to add to the agenda Docket number K4 at the request of Councilman Herreshoff

Adoption of Town Budget 2010-2011*

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Schedule "A" Operating - \$38,971,295
Schedule "B" Capital - \$ 300,000 (inc. in operating)
Schedule "C" Enterprise - \$ 4,874,979

*See docket number B6

Barboza/Parella - Voted unanimously to adopt the 2010-2011 Town Budget as noted above. Advertise in local newspaper.

Prior to the vote taken, the Clerk explained that the questions raised during the Public Hearing on the budget were explained by the Treasurer in agenda item B6. He also explained that the published figures for the 2009-2010 adopted budget, as advertised in the provisional budget spreadsheet, were correct and also that those appearing in the blue budget book were misstated and since corrected.

Councilman Herreshoff asked that an item concerning "Town Finances" might be added to this evening's agenda under the Other New Business (K) Section.

Barboza/Parella - Voted unanimously to add an agenda item concerning "Town Finances" under the Other New Business (K) Section (see item K4 below).

MOTION RE: CONSENT AGENDA - TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA

Cordeiro/Barboza - Voted unanimously to approve the Consent Agenda combining agenda item R17 with J2 and also withholding agenda item R23 for further discussion.

Prior to the vote taken, Councilman Barboza asked that the agenda item R17 might be discussed along with J2 and also withholding agenda item R23 for further discussion.

Cordeiro/Herreshoff - Voted unanimously to suspend the regular order of business and consider agenda item F1c at this time.

It is hereby noted for the record that action on the above item was recorded below in order within the agenda.

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A. SUBMISSION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S)

1. Town Council Meeting - April 14, 2010
Cordeiro/Herreshoff - Voted
unanimously to approve these
minutes as prepared and presented.
2. Town Council Special Meeting - April 26, 2010
Cordeiro/Herreshoff - Voted
unanimously to approve these
minutes as prepared and presented.

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

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

1. Noise Study Committee - February 16, 2010
2. Charter Review Commission - February 12, 2010
3. Charter Review Commission - March 3, 2010
4. Charter Review Commission - March 24, 2010
5. Bristol County Water Authority/Board of
Directors - March 10, 2010
6. Bristol County Water Authority/Audit Finance
Committee - April 7, 2010
7. Bristol County Water Authority/Engineering
Committee - April 7, 2010
8. Bristol County Water Authority/Public
Relations/Personnel Committee - April 7, 2010
9. Harbor Commission - April 5, 2010
10. Bristol Housing Authority - March 11, 2010
11. Bristol Warren Regional School Committee -
February 22, 2010
12. Bristol Warren Regional School Committee -
Special Meeting, March 1, 2010

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13. Bristol Warren Regional School Committee - Workshop, March 8, 2010
14. Harbor Commission - Appeals Hearing, April 20, 2010
15. Building Code Board of Appeals - August 12, 2009
16. North and East Burial Grounds Commission - February 22, 2010
17. Bristol Warren Regional School Committee - March 22, 2010
18. Bristol Warren Regional School Committee - Workshop/Meeting, April 12, 2010
19. Charter Review Commission - April 13, 2010

B. OLD BUSINESS

1. Gregg Landes, Vice President, Project Manager, Weaver's Cove Energy re response to request for additional information on LNG ships

Herreshoff/Cordeiro - Voted
unanimously to continue this matter
until the meeting of May 26, 2010.

Prior to the vote taken, Councilman Herreshoff reported that some of the information provided by Mr. Landes was "puzzling" since it seemed to conflict with previously reported data from both Weaver's Cove and others. Councilman Herreshoff also stated that it would be important to "keep the conversation alive" concerning this matter.

Council Chairman Marshall noted that the Town of Swansea, Massachusetts, has "reached out" and offered its assistance in opposition to the Weaver's Cove proposal.

Councilwoman Parella asked to know if the Save Bristol Harbor presentation was complete with Keith Maloney, a member of Save Bristol Harbor, reporting that the presentation was nearly complete and that it was "superb."

Mr. Maloney also reported that Save Bristol Harbor had information regarding the dimensions of the ships, etc., since the presentation features ships drawn to scale.

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Councilman Herreshoff suggested that the Town and Save Bristol Harbor might share the ship data since the data provided by Weaver's Cove appears to be inaccurate.

Councilman Barboza asked to know with whom Save Bristol Harbor plans to share its video presentation with Mr. Maloney responding that the plan is to share this presentation with the various cities and towns and also to send a copy of same to the Congress.

Mr. Maloney also noted that the recent oil spill disaster in the Gulf of Mexico illustrates the need to have a comprehensive emergency response plan in advance of any approval for Weaver's Cove since the Gulf of Mexico is a "man-made disaster" and the disaster planning for that oil-rig catastrophe was obviously inadequate.

2. Melinda L. Thies, Superintendent, Bristol Warren Regional School District re request for resolution supporting proposed amendments to enabling legislation

Barboza/Cordeiro - Voted unanimously to instruct the Town Solicitor to prepare and transmit to the Board of Canvassers for consideration by the electors of the Town a non-binding referendum question concerning the School Committee's request to allow transportation of elementary school-aged children across the Bristol-Warren town line.

Prior to the vote taken, Superintendent Thies informed the Council that she and others representing the Bristol Warren Regional School District were present in order to ask for Council Support of a referendum to change the School District's Enabling Legislation.

Superintendent Thies noted that the requested change would allow the transportation of elementary aged school children across the town line to attend school in either town depending upon the availability of classroom space.

Councilman Barboza asked if the Warren Town Council has taken action on this matter with Superintendent Thies reporting that the Warren Town Council will consider this matter at its next regular meeting.

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Councilman Herreshoff asked to know if the School District plans to maintain all of the elementary grades in both towns with Superintendent Thies reporting that the School District plans to do so.

Councilman Herreshoff noted that he has heard from numerous parents concerning this request and that he is of the opinion that it does not make sense to shuttle students across the town line; particularly in the case of the youngest children.

Superintendent Thies noted that the problem exists when there is a "bubble" in the population. She added that the district overall has sufficient classroom space except that at present there is overcrowding in Bristol and Warren has an abundance of space. She also added that there is a requirement to have the youngest children only on the first floor of school buildings and that this requirement leaves few options. Superintendent Thies added that the request for an amendment to the enabling legislation is to allow for flexibility.

Councilman Herreshoff repeated his concern that young children should not be transported for long distances.

Councilman Barboza expressed concern that the School Committee voted to close the John Post Reynolds School despite the fact that the school population was not projected thoroughly at the time the decision was made. Councilman Barboza noted that a primary tenet of the School District when it was established was that elementary school children would remain in their town of residence. Councilman Barboza stated that he would not support a referendum to allow the District discretion in relocating elementary school children and would rather support a non-binding referendum to ascertain the opinion of the electorate in this case.

Councilwoman Parella stated that in some cases, children may be geographically closer to an out-of-town school such as might be the case with a family living near the Warren Line; with children attending Hugh Cole School. She added that she was surprised to see this item on the Council's agenda since it appeared only several weeks ago that the towns were not going to send a resolution for a referendum question to the General Assembly.

Councilwoman Parella expressed concern that the School District vacated both the John Post Reynolds and Byfield

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Schools and everyone "must now go through hoops" to accommodate the student population. She added that citizens have indicated to her that they are upset concerning this situation.

Councilwoman Parella suggested that the School District should develop a voluntary program such as a "magnet" school in order to entice parents to send their children to Warren. She also suggested that the School District might develop a special program to promote Hugh Cole and perhaps have focus groups to parents from the northern part of Bristol to "know" Hugh Cole; this might come in the form of a Saturday meeting for residents of the "Bordertown" development, etc.

Superintendent Thies suggested that a binding referendum would let the voters decide this issue with Councilwoman Parella noting that a large percentage of the voting population do not have school-aged children and that those persons might agree to the change when many of the parents will object to the proposal.

Councilman Barboza stated that the Warren Councilors are also considering a referendum that is non-binding. He suggested that the School Committee may wish to consider reopening Reynolds School.

Paul Silva, Chairman of the School Committee, informed the Council that the buildings task force decided to press on with this request in order to ask the Councils to have the electorate decide since this group is the Districts' constituency.

Mr. Silva explained that two years ago there was a population spike within the Rockwell School enrollment; resulting in an additional Kindergarten class and now that Kindergarten class has entered first grade. He described that the school has two "tracks" of grades with three first grades. He also explained that the additional grade has forced the relocation of an art or music room and that the art and music must now occupy the same room in order to make the additional first grade classroom.

Mr. Silva added that the John Post Reynolds School is not self-sufficient in that its library was across the street. Mr. Silva added that an "arts magnet" type of program will take three to four years to put in place. He also explained that the next election (after the one planned for 2010) is two or four years away and that there is already overcrowding in the Bristol Schools.

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Mr. Silva stated that the plan for the last bond issue that resulted in the renovations of Colt and Andrews Schools was touted as "Phase I" of two phases. He noted that "Phase II" included a plan to either renovate existing buildings or build a new elementary school.

Councilwoman Parella stated that she has no problem with the concept of sharing students between the towns but added that she was of the opinion that any such plan should be voluntary and not compulsory. She added that it "disturbs" her that the Council was misled by the School District concerning the renovations to Colt and Andrews Schools since the buildings opened only two years ago. She further explained that the Council was led to believe that the renovations (and controversial demolition of the historic Pastime Theatre) would be sufficient for some time. Councilwoman Parella called the situation "frustrating."

Councilwoman Parella also noted that Councilman Barboza was convinced that the plan to place three tracks of classrooms at Colt and Andrews would result in the closure of Byfield School and that she did not believe that this would be the case. She also stated that the electors have several times rejected the idea for a new elementary school and that the School Committee should completely abandon the idea for a new school.

Councilman Barboza stated that it "grates him" that he was assured that the Byfield and Reynolds buildings would not close and that that information was untrue.

Mr. Silva announced that he voted against the closure of the John Post Reynolds School but that a majority of the School Committee voted for the closure.

Councilwoman Parella asked to know if the School Committee was "getting the information out" concerning the proposed referendum to transport students across town lines with Mr. Silva responding that it is difficult to do so until the matter is officially before the voters.

Councilwoman Parella asked to know if the School District has tried any voluntary programs with Mr. Silva responding that the District "reached out" to parents in the northern part of Bristol and that those initially expressing interest became "no shows."

Councilman Barboza stated that this "no show" result indicates that there is little if any support for the proposal.

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Councilwoman Parella stated that the School District should offer an incentive to parents to send their children to Hugh Cole School from Bristol. She added that this "deal" might include a free before and after school daycare program.

Councilman Barboza asked to know if the School District has a back-up plan with Mr. Silva responding that the compulsory transportation idea is the Committee's first choice. He added that the Committee is also considering a "magnet" program and added that this would take more time. He also noted that the former Arts Magnet program took four years to develop and that this program was developed by the school staff.

Council Chairman Marshall asked to know if there was a "magnet" program at Hugh Cole with Superintendent Thies responding that all of the elementary programs were "universal" in both towns.

Councilman Cordeiro stated that he was in agreement with Councilman Herreshoff and Councilman Barboza that there did not appear to be much support to transport elementary students across town lines.

After the vote taken, Council Chairman Marshall noted that the Town had a non-binding referendum concerning wind turbines and that this referendum convinced the Council that there was much support for the proposal.

Councilman Barboza repeated that the chance of the voters approving a new school was "slim to none" and he predicted that the chances for an addition on the Town Common to the Byfield School were equally doubtful.

Councilman Cordeiro suggested that the School Committee should develop a "magnet" since the previous Arts Magnet was very popular and that this program might solve the problem by getting parents involved who "want it."

3. Frank R. Vento, Sr., 16 Charlotte Drive - request for abandonment of a portion of Leahy Drive, **continued from April 14, 2010**

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

Prior to the vote taken Director of Community Development Williamson reported that she and Assistant Solicitor Teitz

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researched this matter and compiled the "history" of the property and shared same with Mr. Vento. She noted that the idea of the abandonment offers no relief to Mr. Vento. She added that he will likely appear before the TRC and also the Zoning Board of Review.

4. Lorraine N. Rosenberg, 6 Prenda Lane - request permission to remove tree located on Town property, **continued from April 14, 2010**

- a. (Lorraine N. Rosenberg) - photos submitted concerning above matter

- b. Recommendation - Tree Warden

Herreshoff/Cordeiro - Voted unanimously to continue this matter until the meeting to be held June 16, 2010.

Prior to the vote taken, Michael Rosenberg, husband of the petitioner, appeared before the Council and explained that there are two (2) Sycamore trees on Town property these appearing to be the cause of drainage problems on his property. He added that these trees make uphill water get "stuck" on his property and not reach the nearby roadway.

Mr. Rosenberg explained that these trees are otherwise healthy but during times of heavy rains his property has floods. He suggested that only one of the trees was problematic and that the other should remain.

Councilman Herreshoff asked to know if the Town might take measures to alleviate the flooding problem, would Mr. Rosenberg wish to keep the trees in place with Mr. Rosenberg responding affirmatively.

Councilman Herreshoff suggested that the street drain might be moved in order to allow for better drainage.

Mrs. Rosenberg stated that the problem seems to originate from the roots which are coming out of the ground as the tree matures. She suggested that the exposed roots are unattractive.

Councilman Herreshoff stated that he was puzzled since the complaint appears to have originated with a drainage concern and now is related to the appearance of the tree roots.

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Ms. Rosenberg informed the Council that she "just wants the tree removed."

Council Chairman Marshall suggested that Public Works Director Serbst might examine the tree with Town Administrator Mederos noting that this problem would typically come under the purview of Tree Warden Kinder and that Mr. Kinder has examined the trees and found these to be in good condition.

Town Administrator Mederos suggested that Mr. Kinder may wish to meet with Mrs. Rosenberg with Mrs. Rosenberg informing the Council that she was available to meet with representatives of the Town on Tuesdays.

Mr. Rosenberg stated that the Tree Warden's assessment of the apparent health of the trees was accurate and that he (Mr. Rosenberg) likes trees. He further stated that despite the health of the trees, the drainage problem remains.

5. Jonathan Stone, Save The Bay to Town Clerk Cirillo re update concerning fundraising efforts for LNG opposition

Late Item

- a. Councilwoman Parella re plan for matching fund program concerning LNG opposition

Parella/Barboza - Voted to approve the plan as specified by Councilwoman Parella as outlined in the memorandum provided in item B5a above. Voting in favor of this motion were Council members Cordeiro, Parella, Barboza, and Herreshoff. Council Chairman Marshall had temporarily stepped away from the Council table at this time.

Prior to the vote taken, Councilwoman Parella noted the content of Mr. Stone's letter and explained that the nature of the match was unclear. She further explained her proposal as found in Agenda Item B5a that the funds becoming available on July 1, 2010 (\$15,000) should be used to directly match Bristol donations and that those who make contributions to be matched by the Council appropriation should indicate "Bristol Match" on their check.

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After the vote taken, Mr. Maloney noted that a proposal approved in 2008 to locate an LNG terminal in the Columbia River has been withdrawn due to "delays."

Councilman Cordeiro asked to know the status of the local Coast Guard command with Councilman Herreshoff responding that he is informed that this command will change soon. Councilman Herreshoff suggested that the various parties may wish to have a meeting with the new Commander before he or she "digs their heels in" on this issue.

Mr. Maloney thanked the Council for providing its leadership and funds in this matter.

At this point in the meeting, Council Chairman Marshall returned to the Council table and reassumed the gavel.

6. Town Treasurer Day re Harbor Patrol Budget
2010-2011

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

It is hereby noted for the record that action on this agenda item took place as part of the budget adoption as found above.

7. Councilman Barboza re update on the Noise
Study Committee

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

Prior to the vote taken, Councilman Barboza reported that the Noise Study Committee will be proposing an amendment to the Town Code to address the matter of loud, unamplified voices. He further reported that the Committee will be meeting next week.

8. Councilman Barboza re proposed ordinance
amendment to Town Code Section 10-41 (j)
Disorderly house

a. Town Code Section 10-41 (j) Disorderly
house

Barboza/Cordeiro - Voted unanimously to refer this matter to

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the Town Solicitor so that he might draft the appropriate ordinance language for further Council consideration.

Prior to the vote taken, Councilman Barboza noted that there is currently no specific penalty in the Town Code concerning this matter and that those persons who own disorderly houses "just don't get it." He suggested that the Town might impose a fine of \$500.

Councilman Cordeiro reported that the City of Newport imposes a fine to landlords of disorderly houses.

Council Chairman Marshall expressed concern that \$500 may be an insufficient deterrent since some landlords who rent to college students may receive \$5000 per month in rent payments.

9. Dominic Franco, Chairman, Harbor Commission re State Street Dock repairs

Barboza/Cordeiro - Voted unanimously to instruct the Clerk to correspond with the Harbor Commission to explain that this project remains a priority and under careful consideration but that there may be delays due to matters of finance.

Prior to the vote taken, Council Chairman Marshall reported that the cost of Phase I repairs is estimated at \$300,000-400,000. He suggested that the available funds might be allocated toward a "stabilization" project since these funds will not cover the entire cost of Phase I.

Director of Community Development Williamson reported that the Town has approximately \$200,000 set aside for this project.

Councilman Herreshoff noted that the Town is spending carefully due to budget concerns and that the project should be delayed until the budget situation improves.

Director of Community Development Williamson reported that the Town will proceed with plans and specifications and may go out to bid in order to determine the actual shortfall.

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Councilman Herreshoff expressed concern that it may not be fair to bidders if the Town cannot go forward with the project with Director of Community Development Williamson responding that the bid package will include add/subtract alternates in order to outline a partial project.

Councilman Herreshoff suggested that the bid package might also include a longer completion time frame in order for the Town to appropriate the funds in subsequent years with Director of Community Development Williamson agreeing to include a longer time frame in the bid package.

A discussion ensued regarding funding with Director of Community Development Williamson reporting that the suggestion to use open space funds was rejected by Bond Counsel. She also reminded the Council that grant funding continues to be inappropriate for this project since it would change the Town's control over the use of the property by residents only.

Council Chairman Marshall suggested that Director of Community Development Williamson should "keep going" with the project and provide regular reports to the Council.

- *10. Council Chairman Marshall re support of efficiency and operations audit of the Bristol County Water Authority

Herreshoff/Cordeiro - Voted unanimously to agree to this plan conceptually and also to await a draft RFP from Town Solicitor Ursillo in order to examine the viability and cost of the operational audit.

Prior to the vote taken, Councilman Herreshoff expressed concern that the towns might authorize this audit and the Water Authority will refuse access to their operations.

Council Chairman Marshall noted that the Town Council Chairman/Presidents met with the Town Solicitors in order to draft the request for proposals.

Town Solicitor Ursillo reported that the Water Authority has conceptually agreed to participate in the audit but claims it has no funds to pay for this audit. Town Solicitor Ursillo noted that it was suggested that the audit will cost approximately \$40,000 and that this figure should be split four ways, with each town providing a one-fourth share and

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the Water Authority providing the final one-fourth. He noted that Barrington has agreed to this arrangement conceptually.

Councilman Herreshoff stated that he was in agreement that the idea of the audit was a good one but that he was concerned that the Water Authority was less than enthusiastic.

Town Solicitor Ursillo agreed to continue drafting the request for proposals and forward same to the Council.

BB. SPECIAL /STATUS REPORTS

C. PUBLIC HEARINGS

D. ORDINANCES

(CA) E. BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS

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. Animal Shelter Capital Project Committee,
continued from April 26, 2010

1. Harold E. Tucker, 10 Noyes Avenue -
interest/appointment

Councilman Herreshoff nominated Mr. Tucker for appointment.

There were no counter-nominations.

Herreshoff/Parella - Voted
unanimously to close nominations
and instruct the Clerk to cast one
ballot in favor of Mr. Tucker, term
to run for the duration of the
project.

b. Historic District Commission - Auxiliary
Member (to fill vacancy, term to expire

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July, 2010), **continued from April 26, 2010**

1. Harold E. Tucker, 10 Noyes Avenue - interest/appointment
2. Sara Butler, 133 Windward Lane - interest/appointment

Councilman Cordeiro nominated Ms. Butler for appointment.

There were no counter-nominations.

Cordeiro/Barboza - Voted unanimously to close nominations and to instruct the Clerk to cast one ballot in favor of Ms. Butler, term to expire in July 2010.

Prior to the vote taken, Councilman Cordeiro asked Town Solicitor Ursillo to rule if he had a conflict of interest in this matter since Ms. Butler is an employee of Roger Williams University. Town Solicitor Ursillo responded that since Ms. Butler does not report to Mr. Cordeiro at the University, there appeared to be no conflict of interest.

- c. Town Administrator Mederos re appointment of Town Treasurer

It is hereby noted for the record that discussion and action concerning this matter was taken up earlier in the agenda as noted above.

Barboza/Herreshoff (and all members ceremoniously seconding) - Voted unanimously to approve the appointment by Town Administrator Mederos of Julie Goucher, CPA, to the office of Town Treasurer succeeding Town Treasurer Day on July 1, 2010.

Prior to the vote taken, Councilman Cordeiro suggested that all Council members should be recorded as seconding.

Town Administrator Mederos noted that the search process was outlined in her memorandum to the Council and that it will be difficult for anyone to follow in Mr. Day's place but that she was certain that Ms. Goucher would be an excellent addition to the Town management staff.

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Ms. Goucher spoke to the Council briefly, explaining that she is originally from California and moved to Rhode Island in order for her husband to attend Salve Regina University. She also noted that she is a resident of Narragansett.

Councilman Barboza stated that he was pleased to review the steps followed in the selection process and had no reservations concerning Ms. Goucher's qualifications.

G. LICENSING BOARD - NEW PETITIONS

1. Ruth Vermilyea, d/b/a East Bay Consignment, 156 Bay View Avenue - request for a Holiday Sales License
 - a. Recommendation - Town Administrator and Chief of Police

Barboza/Parella - Voted unanimously to grant this license based upon the recommendations received and also subject to conformance to all laws and ordinances and payment of all fees, taxes, and levies.

2. Sandra Almeida for St. Elizabeth's Church/Holy Trinity, 577 Wood Street - request for a One-Day Dancing and Entertainment License, May 28, 29 & 30, 2010
 - a. Recommendation - Town Administrator and Chief of Police

Herreshoff/Parella - Voted unanimously to grant this license based upon the recommendations received and subject to conformance to all laws and ordinances.

It is hereby noted for the record that agenda items G4 and G11 were also considered at this time.

3. (Courtney Poissant) for Anthony Poissant, d/b/a Common Pub & Grille, 421 Wood Street - request for a Sidewalk Use License

Barboza/Parella - Voted unanimously to grant this license for a trial period of six (6) months based upon

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the recommendations received and subject to conformance to all laws and ordinances and payment of all fees, taxes, and levies.

Prior to the vote taken, Town Administrator Mederos explained that Police Chief Canario was recommending approval of this license for a six (6) month trial period and also that she concurred with the Chief's recommendation.

4. Marie Mauricio for St. Elizabeth's Church/Holy Ghost, 577 Wood Street - request for a One-Day Dancing and Entertainment License, May 21, 22 & 23, 2010

- a. Recommendation - Town Administrator and Chief of Police

Herreshoff/Parella - Voted unanimously to grant this license based upon the recommendations received and subject to conformance to all laws and ordinances.

It is hereby noted for the record that this agenda item was considered along with agenda item G2.

5. David Williams, d/b/a Bristol Bakery, 87 Gooding Avenue, Unit 4 - request for a Victualling License (new location)

- a. Recommendation - Water Pollution Control Facility
- b. Recommendation - Town Administrator and Chief of Police

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

6. Michael J. Ferreira, d/b/a Gillary's, 198 Thames Street - request for a One-Day Sunday Dancing and Entertainment License, May 30, 2010

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- Late Item** a. Recommendation - Town Administrator and Chief of Police

Herreshoff/Parella - Voted unanimously to grant this license based upon the recommendations received and subject to conformance to all laws and ordinances and payment of all fees, taxes, and levies.

It is hereby noted for the record that agenda items G6 and G7 were considered at the same time.

7. Michael J. Ferreira, d/b/a Gillary's, 198 Thames Street - request for a One-Day Sunday Dancing and Entertainment License, July 4, 2010

- Late Item** a. Recommendation - Town administrator and Chief of Police

Herreshoff/Parella - Voted unanimously to grant this license based upon the recommendations received and subject to conformance to all laws and ordinances and payment of all fees, taxes, and levies.

It is hereby noted for the record that agenda items G6 and G7 were considered concurrently.

8. Uzma Baig & Zaheer Abbas, d/b/a Midland Farms, 429 Wood Street - request to amend hours of operation (Victualling License)

- Late Item** a. Recommendation - Town Administrator and Chief of Police

Herreshoff/Parella - To grant this request on a three (3) month trial basis. Voting in favor of the motion were Councilwoman Parella and Councilman Herreshoff. Voting opposed were Council Chairman Marshall, Councilman Barboza and Councilman Cordeiro - Motion failed.

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It is hereby noted for the record that agenda items G8 and G9 were considered concurrently.

Prior to the vote taken, Councilman Herreshoff stated that he was first concerned that the change of hours would cause some difficulty but was now convinced that the establishment was well-run and would not create an undesirable precedent.

Councilwoman Parella suggested that the Council may wish to approve this petition on a trial basis.

Councilman Cordeiro expressed concern that the Police Department was not in favor of these extended hours and that he did not wish to overrule the police chief in matters of maintaining the peace.

Council Chairman Marshall expressed concern that he was aware of incidents at the establishment including the defacing of parking signs and also the sale of cigarettes to under-aged persons. Mr. Biag responded that he was unaware of any infractions and that he checks IDs of those who purchase cigarettes.

Council Chairman Marshall noted that the establishment was "warned" concerning cigarette sales and expressed concern that Mr. Biag, as a proprietor of the business was unaware of the warning.

Councilman Cordeiro again stated that he was uncomfortable with granting this request since the police chief appeared to be against the proposal.

Councilman Herreshoff stated that he visited the establishment and found it to be clean and well run. He added that the nearby drinking establishment appeared to be more problematic than this convenience store.

Councilman Cordeiro stated that he investigated Mr. Biag's assertion that the Roger Williams University students requested the later hours and that these students informed him that they did not make the request. He questioned if the one hour difference would truly impact the quality of Mr. Biag's business.

Councilwoman Parella suggested that any problems as noted should be resolved by Mr. Biag during any trial period.

After the vote taken, Mr. Biag informed the Council that he does not understand the resistance to his extended hours since he sells only food.

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Council Chairman Marshall noted that Mr. Biag has been granted parking considerations by the Council already. He suggested that Mr. Biag has not demonstrated a need for the change and that he (Mr. Biag) may wish to return at a later date once he has become more established and incident free.

Mr. Biag asked to know if there were any complaints filed against his store with Council Chairman Marshall noting that he outlined these earlier (sign defacing and cigarette sales to minors).

Councilman Barboza stated that he, too, was aware of the defacing of the signs and that he was also aware that an employee of the store participated in the defacing. He, too, suggested that Mr. Biag might return to the Council at a later date.

9. Uzma Baig & Zaheer Abbas, d/b/a Midland Farms, 429 Wood Street - request to amend hours of operation (Holiday Sales License)

Late Item

- a. Recommendation - Town Administrator and Chief of Police

Herreshoff/Parella - To grant this request on a three (3) month trial basis. Voting in favor of the motion were Councilwoman Parella and Councilman Herreshoff. Voting opposed were Council Chairman Marshall, Councilman Barboza and Councilman Cordeiro - Motion failed.

It is hereby noted for the record that agenda items G8 and G9 were considered concurrently.

10. Madeline Grimo for Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church/Feast Committee, 141 State Street - request for a One-Day Dancing and Entertainment License, July 15 - 18, 2010 (event to be held on Town Common)

Late Item

- a. Recommendation - Town Administrator and Chief of Police

Late Item

- b. Recommendation - Director of Parks and Recreation

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Cordeiro/Parella - Voted
unanimously to grant this request
based upon the recommendations
received and subject to conformance
to all laws and ordinances and
receipt of a certificate of
insurance.

11. Berta Raposo for St. Elizabeth's Church/Santo
Cristo Committee, 577 Wood Street - request
for a One-Day Dancing and Entertainment
License, June 4 - 6, 2010

Late Item

- a. Recommendation - Town Administrator and
Chief of Police

Herreshoff/Parella - Voted
unanimously to grant this license
based upon the recommendations
received and subject to conformance
to all laws and ordinances.

*It is hereby noted for the record that this agenda item was
considered along with agenda item G2.*

H. LICENSING BOARD - RENEWALS

1. Sidewalk Use License renewals for 2010-2011
 - a. Recommendation - Town Administrator and
Chief of Police
 - b. Recommendation - Code Compliance
Coordinator

Late Item

- c. Supplemental Sidewalk Use License
renewal petitions

Cordeiro/Parella - Voted
unanimously to approve renewal of
these licenses based upon the
recommendations received and
subject to conformance to all laws
and ordinances and payment of all
fees, taxes, and levies.

(CA) I. UTILITY PETITIONS

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

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1. The National Grid re petition to install anchor to existing pole on Sunset Drive
 - a. Recommendation - Director of Public Works

Cordeiro/Barboza - Voted unanimously to grant this request based upon the recommendation received.

- (CA) 2. Road Cut Permit - DPW

J. PETITIONS - OTHER

1. Waylon Whitley for St. Michael's Church, 399 Hope Street - request to display artwork on the fence at the corner of Hope and Church Streets for a fundraising event on June 12, 2010 (rain date June 19, 2010)
 - a. Recommendation - Town Administrator and Chief of Police

Herreshoff/Cordeiro - Voted unanimously to grant this petition based upon the recommendation received and subject to conformance to all laws and ordinances.

2. Town Clerk Cirillo - request for a handicap parking space just south of 240 High Street, **1st reading**

Late Item

- a. Recommendation - Town Administrator and Chief of Police

Cordeiro/Barboza - Voted unanimously to consider this action to be First Reading of the request for a handicap parking space and to continue this matter to May 26, 2010 for Second Reading.

It is hereby noted for the record that this matter was discussed concurrently with agenda item R17.

3. Helga Piccoli, Treasurer, Bristol Art Museum - request to hold "Art al Fresco" on the

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fences of Linden Place and the Bradford-Diamond-Norris House on July 25, 2010 (rain date August 1, 2010)

Late Item

- a. Recommendation - Town Administrator and Chief of Police

Herreshoff/Cordeiro - Voted unanimously to grant this petition based upon the recommendation received and subject to conformance to all laws and ordinances.

4. Madeline Grimo for Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church/Feast Committee, 141 State Street - request to use Town Common to hold "Touch-A-Truck" event on September 11, 2010 (rain date September 25, 2010)

Late Item

- a. Recommendation - Town Administrator and Chief of Police

Late Item

- b. Recommendation - Director of Parks and Recreation

Barboza/Parella - Voted unanimously to grant this petition based upon the recommendations received and subject to conformance to all laws and ordinances and the receipt of a certificate of insurance.

5. Paul Mancieri, (d/b/a Leo's Ristorante), 365 Hope Street - request to place stanchions on Town property

Herreshoff/Parella - Voted unanimously to continue this matter until the meeting of May 26, 2010.

Prior to the vote taken, Town Administrator Mederos noted that the current ordinance and practice seems to work sufficiently. She agreed to speak with Mr. Mancieri and report back to the Council on May 26, 2010.

K. OTHER NEW BUSINESS REQUIRING TOWN COUNCIL ACTION

1. Julie Coelho, CMC, Warren Town Clerk re resolution requesting the enactment of

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legislation requiring seat belts on school buses

Barboza/Parella - Voted unanimously to support this resolution and provide a copy of same to the local General Assembly delegation.

2. (Town Treasurer Day) re Resolution concerning Waiver of Terms of Investment Policy

Herreshoff/Barboza - Voted unanimously to adopt this policy and resolution based upon the recommendation of the Town Treasurer.

3. Coastal Resources Management Council re notice of public hearing scheduled for consideration of proposed program changes to be held on June 22, 2010

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

- Add Item** 4. Councilman Herreshoff re Town "Finances"

It was agreed by consensus that this matter would appear on the Council Docket of May 26, 2010.

Councilman Herreshoff explained that he was not speaking about the current budget but rather he would like to establish a new "process" change for the future.

He stated that he was "amazed" to learn that the Town surplus had grown to \$10 million and that he was of the opinion that the Council should adopt some sort of accounting policy in order that the surplus doesn't drop by an equally "amazing" amount without warning.

He suggested that the Council might appoint a study committee including Town Administrator Mederos, Council Chairman Marshall, Town Treasurer Day, the incoming Treasurer Ms. Goucher, a representative of the auditing firm, and an additional Council member as appointed by the Chairman.

L. **BILLS & EXPENDITURES**

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1. RFP #698 - Sale of Rescue Station, 349 Franklin Street

Herreshoff/Cordeiro - Voted unanimously to refer this matter to the Town Administrator in order that she may either rebid this sale or seek a higher sale price to act in the best interest of the Town.

Prior to the vote taken, Council Chairman Marshall suggested that the Council might reject this bid and seek additional proposals.

Councilman Barboza noted that he was aware that the Town initially expected a higher sale price in order to offset the cost of the new rescue facilities.

Councilwoman Parella suggested that any rebid might include the expected minimum.

(CA) M. ROUTINE REPORTS

(CA) N. FINANCIAL REPORTS

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

1. (Town Treasurer Day) re Revenue and Expenditure Statement, April 30, 2010

P. PROCLAMATIONS & CITATIONS

1. Commendation - Mt. Hope High School Boys' Winter Ice Hockey Varsity Team (2009-2010), Division III State Championship

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

2. Commendation - Mt. Hope High School 2010 Robotics Teams

Cordeiro/Barboza - Voted unanimously to adopt this

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commendation as prepared and presented.

3. Commendation - Kyle Porto, Eagle Scout Court of Honor

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

4. Commendation - Manuel C. "Manny" Correia, selection as "Knight of the Year" by Knights of Corte Reais

Cordeiro/Barboza - Voted unanimously to adopt this commendation 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. Coastal Resources Management Council - Semi-Monthly Meeting, April 13, 2010
2. Amy Rose Weinreich, Charlestown Deputy Town Clerk re resolution in support of encouraging the return of the America's Cup challenge to Newport
3. Andrea M. Bicki, Woonsocket City Clerk re resolution in opposition to H 7581; legislative amendment mandating binding arbitration for teacher and other school employee contracts
4. Cheryl A. Fernstrom, CMC, Jamestown Town Clerk re resolution in support of establishing a "Blue Alert" program in the State of Rhode Island
5. Warrant - Raymond J. Dutelle, Jr., Police Pension Fund - Board of Trustees
6. Warrant - Kenneth J. Marshall, Planning Board
7. Warrant - Armand G. Bilotti, Planning Board

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8. Cheryl A. Fernstrom, CMC, Jamestown Town Clerk re resolution requesting enactment of legislation for bicyclist safety
9. Deborah A. Tellier, CMC, West Warwick Council Clerk re resolution in support of H 7236; legislative amendment relieving the Towns of Coventry and West Warwick and the City of Warwick from unfunded state mandates for a period of five years, resolution in opposition to mandatory binding arbitration on monetary matters for teachers, and resolution in opposition to S 2603; legislative amendment mandating expired teacher contracts must continue all the existing terms and conditions of employment
10. Kim A. Casci, East Providence City Clerk re resolution in support of encouraging the return of the America's Cup challenge to Newport
11. Kim A. Casci, East Providence City Clerk re resolution in support of H 7278, H 7777, H7277, H 7280, and S 2349; legislative amendments to protect Rhode Island's Cities and Towns and their Public Officials and Employees
12. Tina W. Freeman, Foster Town Clerk re resolution in support of proposed legislation authorizing RI cities and towns to postpone budget and financial town meetings for FY 2010-2011
13. Julie A. Coelho, CMC, Warren Town Clerk re resolution in support of encouraging the return of the America's Cup challenge to Newport
14. Donna J. Olivo, d/b/a All Paws Inn, 185 Bay View Avenue re Dog Kennel License Renewal petition (granted April 14, 2010)
15. Wendy J.W. Marshall, CMC, Middletown Town Clerk re resolutions in opposition to H 7581; legislative amendment mandating binding arbitration for teacher and other school employee contracts and S 2603; legislative

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amendment mandating expired teacher contracts must continue all the existing terms and conditions of employment

16. James D. Marques, CMC, North Kingstown Town Clerk re updated list of municipalities that have donated to the National Guard Memorial
17. Council Clerk Cirillo to Nell Carpenter, Architectural Accessibility Fellow, Governor's Commission on Disabilities re report concerning Bristol Statehouse meeting room

It is hereby noted for the record that this agenda item was discussed concurrently with agenda item J2.

18. Council Clerk Cirillo to Jerry Durante, Credit Manager, All American Foods, Inc. re Classic Pizza
19. Cheryl A. Fernstrom, CMC, Jamestown Town Clerk re resolution in support of H 7014; bridge safety
20. Cheryl A. Fernstrom, CMC, Jamestown Town Clerk re resolution in support of encouraging the return of the America's Cup challenge to Newport
21. Borrowing Resolutions (signed copy)
22. Paul C. Dolan, Deputy Chief, Division of Forest Environment to Town Administrator Mederos re Tree City USA award
23. David R. Gifford, MD, MPH, Director, Rhode Island Department of Health, et al to Fire Chief Martin, et al re thank you for involvement in administering vaccinations against H1N1 on January 26, 2010

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

Prior to the vote taken, Councilman Barboza noted the letter of Dr. Gifford and offered the Council's congratulations to all involved in the successful Flu Inoculation Clinic.

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Town Administrator Mederos noted that Cortney Stanford should be congratulated in particular for organizing the Clinic.

24. Vincent P. Baccari, Jr., Johnston Town Clerk re resolution requesting repeal of financial mandates pertaining to municipal and school employee pensions, health insurance cost-sharing, and public school employee health care benefits
25. Coastal Resources Management Council - Semi-Monthly Meeting, April 27, 2010
26. Helga Piccoli, Treasurer, Bristol Art Museum - thank you for support re renovations of the Historic Barn at Linden Place
27. Kathleen Viera Beaudoin, Portsmouth Town Clerk re resolution requesting repeal of financial mandates pertaining to municipal and school employee pensions, health insurance cost-sharing, and public school employee health care benefits
28. Wendy J.W. Marshall, CMC, Middletown Town Clerk re resolution in support of encouraging the return of the America's Cup challenge to Newport
29. Robert E. LaFleur, Chairperson, North Smithfield School Committee re resolution in opposition to S 2603; legislative amendment mandating expired teacher contracts must continue all the existing terms and conditions of employment
30. Robert E. LaFleur, Chairperson, North Smithfield School Committee re resolution in opposition to H 7581; legislative amendment mandating binding arbitration for teacher and other school employee contracts

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

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

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1. Fire Department (& Rescue/Training Headquarters Capital Project Committee) - April 15, 2010
2. Building Code Board of Appeals - April 20, 2010
3. Bristol County Water Authority - May 2010 Meetings
4. Bristol County Water Authority/Board of Directors - April 14, 2010
5. Bristol Warren Regional School District - Schedule of Meetings, Week of April 19, 2010
6. Bristol Warren Regional School Committee Budget/Facilities Subcommittee - April 19, 2010
7. Harbor Commission - Appeals Hearing, April 20, 2010
8. Bristol Warren Regional School District - Schedule of Meetings, Week of April 26, 2010
9. Bristol Warren Regional School Committee Budget/Facilities Subcommittee - April 26, 2010
10. Bristol Warren Regional School Committee Personnel/Contract Subcommittee - April 26, 2010
11. Bristol Warren Regional School Committee - April 26, 2010
12. Charter Review Commission - April 29, 2010
13. Fire Department (& Rescue/Training Headquarters Capital Project Committee) - May 6, 2010
14. North and East Burial Grounds Commission - June 28, 2010
15. Conservation Commission - May 3, 2010
16. Harbor Commission - May 3, 2010

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17. Bristol Warren Regional School District -
Schedule of Meetings, Week of May 3, 2010

S. TOWN SOLICITOR

1. Request for Executive Session pursuant to
RIGL §42-46-5 (a) (2)

It is hereby noted for the record that action on agenda items S1 and S2 were considered concurrently at the conclusion of the public agenda as noted below.

- *2. Request for Executive Session pursuant to
RIGL §42-46-5 (a) (5)

It is hereby noted for the record that action on agenda items S1 and S2 were considered concurrently at the conclusion of the public agenda as noted below.

Z. INDIVIDUAL COUNCIL MEMBERS AGENDA ITEMS

1. MARSHALL

a. Bodacious Bee - Council Chairman Marshall reported that he, Councilwoman Parella and Councilman Barboza represented the Town in the 2nd Annual "Bodacious Bee" spelling bee contest held on April 30, 2010 at Blithewold. He also reported that the Town of Bristol was recognized as a "Platinum Sponsor" of the event.

b. Thank You Messrs. Davis and Roth - Council Chairman Marshall thanked Mike Davis and Steve Roth for taping this evening's meeting for cable television, etc.

c. Mount Hope Farm - Council Chairman Marshall noted the receipt of some suggestions for Mount Hope Farm bylaws changes and distributed same to Council members.

Town Administrator Mederos reported that Michael Gerhardt will assume duties as Interim Executive Director of Mount Hope Farm officially on May 18, 2010. She noted that all matters regarding Mount Hope Farm, bylaws, etc., will be referred to Mr. Gerhardt.

Town Administrator Mederos also reported that Mr. Gerhardt has "an aggressive agenda" and will seek

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input from citizens and "work diligently with a cooperative spirit."

d. Happy Mothers Day - Council Chairman Marshall noted that May 9, 2010 was Mothers Day and extended the greetings of the Council.

2. CORDEIRO

a. 4th of July Photograph - Councilman Cordeiro commended the 4th of July Committee for its successful aerial photo event.

b. Town Administrator Mederos - Councilman Cordeiro noted that Town Administrator Mederos will receive an honorary degree at Roger Williams University Commencement. He offered the congratulations of the Council to her.

3. PARELLA

a. Town Enthusiasm - Councilwoman Parella noted that those in attendance at the aerial photo event showed great enthusiasm.

b. Town Common Flag - Councilwoman Parella noted that the flag on the Town Common flagpole was missing for most of the winter and she encouraged Town Administrator Mederos to fly the flag on this flagpole throughout the year.

Town Administrator Mederos reported that it is difficult to maintain this flag during inclement weather and that she would re-examine the Town's winter flag protocol.

c. Denise Asciola - Councilwoman Parella noted that Denise Asciola, assistant to Town Administrator Mederos was recently recognized by the Bristol County Elks Club for her service to the community. She further noted that the honor was well-deserved.

4. BARBOZA

a. Bristol Phoenix Comment Policy - Councilman Barboza noted a recent conversation with Phoenix Publisher Matthew Hayes in which Mr. Hayes informed him that the paper was changing its policy concerning anonymous comments to articles

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published on-line. Councilman Barboza observed that most of these comments had been self serving, denigrating, nasty and non-constructive and that he applauded the policy change.

b. Aerial Photo - Councilman Barboza noted that the large flag depicted in the 4th of July aerial photograph belonged to the late Jerome Donovan.

5. HERRESHOFF

a. Mount Hope Farm - Councilman Herreshoff stated that he was in agreement with proposed changes to the Mount Hope Farm bylaws as in the memorandum noted above and extended his compliments to Mr. Byrnes and Ms. Warren.

b. Most Patriotic Town Flagpoles - Councilman Herreshoff stated that he was somewhat "troubled" to see empty flagpoles and suggested that the Town might fly flags on all flagpoles year 'round.

Council Chairman Marshall noted that the issue might be one of finance and that he was of the opinion that the Council might provide a larger allocation of funds for this purpose if necessary.

Town Administrator Mederos agreed to investigate the matter and report back to the Council regarding same.

c. San Diego - Councilman Herreshoff noted a recent trip to San Diego and reported that he visited with Jeffery Bennett who visited Bristol while an Ensign aboard a U. S. Navy destroyer. He further noted that Mr. Bennett was now a Navy Commander and captain of his own destroyer with a crew of 25 officers and 300 enlisted. He further noted that Cdr. Bennett may return to Bristol at some point in command of his own ship.

d. Omaha - Councilman Herreshoff noted that he was recently in Omaha, Nebraska, to attend the Annual Meeting of Berkshire Hathaway Corp. and that the legendary investor Warren Buffett presided over the meeting.

e. Winter Moth Spraying - Councilman Herreshoff noted the recent tree spraying project as coordinated by Recreation Director Burke and noted

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that the project was expanded beyond its original scope since excess insecticide was available.

ZZ. TOWN ADMINISTRATOR AGENDA ITEM(S)

a. 4th of July Aerial Photo - Town Administrator Mederos congratulated all involved in the "225" aerial photo taken on Saturday, May 1, noting that the event took many hours of planning. She also observed that "everyone in attendance was in a good mood."

b. FEMA Headquarters Closing - Town Administrator Mederos noted that the temporary FEMA headquarters at the Fire Department building on Annawamscutt Drive will close on Friday, May 7, 2010 at 6 o'clock PM. She further noted that the temporary headquarters will close since few persons are now filing for aid. She also noted that persons wishing to do so may contact FEMA at its listed telephone and web address up until the end of the filing deadline on May 28, 2010.

Fire Chief Martin reported that the temporary headquarters served 514 applicants.

CITIZENS PUBLIC FORUM

Barboza/Parella - Voted unanimously to adjourn into Executive Session pursuant to RIGL 42-46-5 (a) (2) and (5) at 10:06 o'clock PM.

Herreshoff/Parella - Voted unanimously to resume open session and seal the minutes of the Executive Session at 10:45 o'clock PM.

There being no further business, upon a motion by Councilman Barboza, seconded by Councilman Cordeiro and voted unanimously, the Chairman declared this meeting to be adjourned at 10:46 o'clock PM.

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Louis P. Cirillo, CMC
Council Clerk