

# **SPECIAL MEETING NORTH SMITHFIELD TOWN COUNCIL**

**JANUARY 10, 2015**

**TOWN HALL, 1 MAIN STREET**

**10:00 A.M.**

The meeting was called to order at 10:06 A.M. and began with the prayer and the pledge to the flag. Council members present were Mr. Alter, Ms. Alves, Mrs. Nadeau, Mr. Zwolenski and Mr. Boucher. Town Administrator Hamilton and Town Solicitor Iglizzi were also in attendance.

## **INTERVIEW FOR MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGE**

Attorney Aram P. Jarret, Jr. opted to have the meeting in open session and was the only person interviewed today for the position. He gave a presentation on his background as well as how the Municipal Court process works, as he is the sitting Judge.

## **INTERVIEW FOR PROBATE COURT JUDGE**

Current Probate Court Judge Robert Rossi interviewed to be reappointed and opted to have the meeting in open session. He provided background information and explained how the Probate Court sessions work.

## **PUBLIC BUILDINGS IMPROVEMENT COMMISSION**

Chief Reynolds, who is an ex-officio, non-voting member of this commission, respectfully requested the Council to consider choosing as many people as possible for this commission who were on the

**building committee of the Middle School. They have the experience and completed that project in a timely fashion. Chief Reynolds offered to contact some of those people if the Council would like him to do so.**

**It was suggested that background information be gathered on applicants.**

**MOTION by Mrs. Nadeau, seconded by Mr. Alter, and voted unanimously on a roll call vote to nominate Mrs. Nadeau as the member of the Town Council to be appointed to the Public Buildings Improvement Commission.**

**MOTION by Ms. Alves, seconded by Mrs. Nadeau, and voted unanimously on a roll call vote to continue this matter to January 24th in order to advertise for applicants one additional time.**

#### **INTERVIEW FOR PROBATE COURT JUDGE**

**Local attorney Robert Larder was interviewed by the Council for the position of Probate Court Judge. He opted to meet in open session.**

#### **APPOINTMENT OF MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGE**

**MOTION by Mr. Alter and seconded by Ms. Alves to nominate Aram P. Jarret, Jr. as the Municipal Court Judge.**

**MOTION by Mr. Boucher and seconded by Mr. Zwolenski to nominate**

**Keven A. McKenna.**

**MOTION by Mr. Boucher and seconded by Mrs. Nadeau to nominate Jon D. Brien.**

**Roll call vote on Mr. Jarret: Mr. Alter - yes; Ms. Alves - yes; Mrs. Nadeau - yes; Mr. Zwolenski - yes; and Mr. Boucher - no. The motion carried 4 to 1 and Mr. Jarret was reappointed as the Municipal Court Judge.**

#### **APPOINTMENT OF PROBATE COURT JUDGE**

**MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski and seconded by Mr. Alter to nominate Robert Rossi as the Probate Court Judge.**

**MOTION by Mr. Boucher and seconded by Mr. Zwolenski and Mrs. Nadeau to nominate Robert Larder.**

**Roll call vote on Mr. Rossi: Mr. Alter - yes; Ms. Alves - yes; Mrs. Nadeau - no; Mr. Zwolenski - yes; and Mr. Boucher - no. The motion carried 3 to 2 and Mr. Rossi was reappointed Probate Court Judge.**

#### **APPOINTMENT OF MUNICIPAL COURT CLERK**

**MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Mrs. Nadeau, and voted unanimously on a roll call vote to reappoint Darleen A. Bourgette as the Municipal Court Clerk.**

## **APPOINTMENTS TO PLANNING BOARD**

**Mr. Zwolenski would like to interview the applicants for the Planning Board.**

**Mr. Alter agreed with Mr. Zwolenski and thought it would be in the best interest of the town to take the time to interview the applicants.**

**MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Mr. Alter, and voted unanimously on a roll call vote to extend a request to current Planning Board member Eugene Simone to remain on the board until such time as a replacement is appointed.**

**MOTION by Mr. Boucher, seconded by Mr. Zwolenski, and voted unanimously on a roll call vote to table this matter pending receipt of other applications and until interviews are scheduled.**

**MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted unanimously on an aye vote to adjourn at 12:48 P.M.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Debra A. Todd, Town Clerk**