

TOWN OF WEST WARWICK
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
DATE: TUESDAY, MAY 26, 2015
TIME: IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING SEWER COMMISSION MEETING
PLACE: TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBER
TOWN HALL, 1170 MAIN ST., WEST WARWICK, RI

A. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:50 P.M.

B. ROLL CALL:

MEMBERS PRESENT: COUNCILMAN TUCKER
COUNCILMAN KENAHAN
COUNCILMAN PADULA
COUNCIL VICE PRESIDENT GIROUX
COUNCIL PRESIDENT GOSSELIN

MEMBERS ABSENT: N/A

OTHERS PRESENT: TOWN MANAGER FRED PRESLEY, TOWN SOLICITOR TIM WILLIAMSON

C. QUORUM ON RECORD DECLARED BY TOWN CLERK

D. CITATION FOR AARON DEAN – TABLED TO JUNE 2, 2015 TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

E. 2015-72-MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING-MOVED BY COUNCILMAN PADULA, SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN KENAHAN AND APPROVED BY A VOICE VOTE.

F. CONSENT AGENDAS:

F-1-2015-73-LICENSE APPLICATIONS- MOVED BY COUNCILMAN PADULA, SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN KENAHAN AND APPROVED BY A VOICE VOTE.

F-2- 2015-74- CORRESPONDENCE- MOVED BY COUNCILMAN PADULA, SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN KENAHAN AND APPROVED BY A VOICE VOTE.

G. 2015-75- PETITION OF THE NATIONAL GRID FOR POLE LOCATION (SCHOFIELD STREET) - MOVED BY COUNCILMAN PADULA, SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN TUCKER AND APPROVED BY A VOICE VOTE.

H. RENAMING OF “WEBSTER KNIGHT DRIVE AS “JIM WILLIAMSON WAY”(SPONSORED BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT GOSSELIN)-MOTION TO TABLE BY COUNCILMAN KENAHAN, SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN TUCKER AND APPROVED BY A VOICE VOTE.

I. 2015-76-COPS HIRING PROGRAM GRANT 2012(SPONSORED BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT GOSSELIN)- MOVED BY COUNCILMAN PADULA FOR DISCUSSION, SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN KENAHAN. CHIEF SILVA STATED THEY DID NOT ACCEPT THE GRANT IN 2012 DUE TO LOSING TWO OFFICERS. THE CHIEF STATED THE MODIFICATION WILL MAKE THE GRANT RETROACTIVE TO JULY 7, 2014. THE FUNDS WOULD BE USED TO OFFSET THE COSTS OF THE OFFICER SALARY AND BENEFITS FOR A THREE YEAR PERIOD, UP TO A MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF \$125,000.00. THE OFFICER IS ALREADY HIRED AND THERE IS NO HIRING OF OTHER OFFICERS. APPROVED BY A VOICE VOTE.

J. 2015-77-CERTIFICATION OF TOWN BUDGET- MOVED BY COUNCILMAN PADULA, SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN KENAHAN AND APPROVED BY A ROLL CALL VOTE:

COUNCILMAN TUCKER- YES
COUNCILMAN PADULA-YES
COUNCIL VICE PRESIDENT GIROUX-YES
COUNCILMAN TUCKER-YES
COUNCIL PRESIDENT GOSSELIN - YES

K. 2015-78-SET TAX LEVY-MOTION MADE BY COUNCILMAN PADULA TO WAIVE THE READING, SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN KENAHAN AND APPROVED BY A VOICE VOTE. MOVED BY COUNCILMAN PADULA, SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN KENAHAN AND APPROVED BY A VOICE VOTE.

L. BID AWARD-COMPREHENSIVE COLLECTION SERVICES SOLID WASTE, YARD WASTE, AND RECYCLABLES (SPONSORED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL)- MOTION TO TABLE MADE BY COUNCILMAN KENAHAN, SECONDED BY COUNCIL VICE PRESIDENT GIROUX AND APPROVED BY A VOICE VOTE. THE TOWN COUNCIL IS GOING TO MEET WITH THE UNION.

M. CLAIMS:

M-1-2015-79-APPROVED CLAIMS- MOVED BY COUNCILMAN PADULA, SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN KENAHAN AND APPROVED BY A VOICE VOTE.

M-2-2015-80- DENIED CLAIMS- MOVED BY COUNCILMAN PADULA, SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN TUCKER AND APPROVED BY A VOICE VOTE.

N. DISCUSSION/ACTION:

N-1: COUNCIL CHAMBERS CAMERA SYSTEM/VIDEO STREAMING- (SPONSORED BY COUNCIL VICE PRESIDENT GIROUX) – COUNCIL VICE PRESIDENT GIROUX RECOMMENDS WE GO WITH B&H PHOTO IN THE AMOUNT OF \$17,798. APPROVED BY A VOICE VOTE.

N2: SUMMER CAMP-(SPONSORED BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT GOSSELIN) – COUNCIL PRESIDENT GOSSELIN STATED THERE WILL BE NO SUMMER CAMP AT THE CIVIC CENTER. COVENTRY IS WILLING TO HELP WITH THE SUMMER CAMP. STEVEN LAWTON IS HELPING WITH AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS.

N-3: NEWLIGHT STREET-(SPONSORED BY COUNCILMAN PADULA) – COUNCILMAN PADULA STATED HE RECEIVED A PETITION REGARDING A NO PARKING SIGN ON ONE SIDE OF THE STREET. THE NEIGHBOR IS PARKING ALL THEIR CARS IN FRONT OF EVERYONES DRIVEWAY AND FRONT OF THEIR HOUSES CAUSING TROUBLE WHEN SOMEONE WANTS TO BACK OUT OF DRIVE WAY AND THE OTHE CONCERNS ARE KIDS GETTING HURT. THE TRAFFIC COMMITTEE WILL MEET ON THIS MATTER ON JUNE 17.

N-4: PANHANDLING-(SPONSORED BY COUNCILMAN PADULA) – COUNCILMAN PADULA STATED HE HAS BEEN RECEIVING E-MAILS REGARDING PANHANDLING. THE TOWN DOES NOT HAVE AN ORDINANCE ON THIS MATTER. TOWN SOLICITOR WILL DRAFT AN ORDINANCE ON THIS MATTER AND THE COUNCIL REVISIT THIS ISSUE.

N-5: PET STORES – (SPONSORED BY COUNCILMAN TUCKER)- COUNCILMAN TUCKER RECEIVED PHONE CALLS AND E-MAILS REGARDING A NEW PET STORE REGARDING MILL PUPPIES. THE RESIDENTS ARE ASKING TO STOP FUTURE BUSINESSES THAT SELL PUPPY MILL DOGS FROM DOING BUSINESS IN THE TOWN. SOLICITOR, TIM WILLIAMSON, STATED THAT MILL PUPPIES ARE LEGAL AND THAT THERE IS NO CRIMINAL RECORD AGAINST THIS BUSINESS.

O. REPORTS:

O-1: TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT – TOWN MANAGER, FRED PRESLEY, WOULD LIKE TO THANK ALL VOTERS WHO VOTED AT THE ALL DAY BUDGET REFERENDUM.

UPCOMING APPOINTMENTS

WEST WARWICK REDEVELOPMENT (TIF) COMMISSION-

(1) WARD 2 - WITH A ONE YEAR TERM

(1) WARD 3 - WITH A TERM TO EXPIRE 11/2015

(1) WARD 4- ONE YEAR TERM

(1) WARD 5 –FOUR YEAR TERM

(2) MEMBER AT A LARGE – TWO YEAR TERM

DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION – (3) FOUR YEAR TERM

JUVENILE HEARING BOARD- (1) FOUR YEAR TERM

RECREATION COMMITTEE MEMBER - (1) WARD 3

BOARD OF ASSESSMENT & REVIEW – (1) THREE YEAR TERM

ZONING BOARD OF REVIEW – (2) ALTERNATE MEMBER WITH A TERM TO EXPIRE 7/2015 & (1) MEMBER WITH A TERM TO EXPIRE ON 7/2015

WEST WARWICK PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES (1) THREE YEAR TERM

PAWTUXET RIVER AUTHORITY –(2) WITH A TERM TO EXPIRE ON 06/30/2015

SEWER USE TAX BOARD OF REVIEW-(1) A THREE YEAR TERM

PLANNING BOARD – (1) WITH A TERM TO EXPIRE ON 7/2019 & 4 WITH A TERM TO EXPIRE ON 07/2015

TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE – WARD 2 – (1) WARD 3- (1) – WARD 4 (1)-WARD 5 (1) WITH A TERM TO EXPIRE DECEMBER OF EVEN YEAR.

(REFER TO AUDIO FOR MORE DETAILED INFO. ON THIS MATTER)

PUBLIC COMMENT- Comments only will be addressed to the Town Council who will take them under advisement.

ADJOURNMENT – MOVED BY COUNCILMAN PADULA, SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN KENAHAN AND APPROVED BY A VOICE VOTE.

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ATTEST:

**MARIANNE KELLY, CMC
COUNCIL CLERK**