

Town Council Meeting in its Capacity as
Trustees of the Amey Tucker Spencer Fund
Monday, January 28, 2013 at 6:00 P.M.
Council Chamber, Barrington Town Hall

Present: June Sager Speakman, Kate G. Weymouth, Cynthia Armour Coyne, William C. DeWitt and Ann P. Strong

Also Present: Town Manager Peter A. DeAngelis, Jr., Town Solicitor Michael Ursillo, Finance Director Dean M. Huff, Jr., Assistant Finance Director Ann Andreozi, Tax Assessor Michael R. Minardi, Assistant Clerk Meredith DeSisto and Town Clerk Linda H. James

Council President Speakman called the meeting to order at 6:07 P.M.

GENERAL DISCUSSION OF PURPOSE OF TRUST FUND

Town Solicitor Ursillo gave some background of the Trust Fund. Wilton H. Spencer, a Barrington resident, wrote his will in 1933 that included forming a permanent fund to be held in trust and to be known as the Amey Tucker Spencer Fund. The income from this Trust "shall be used annually to help the poor and unfortunate people of said Town of Barrington in such manner as the proper authorities of said Town shall determine." There was litigation involving the Spencer heirs resulting in a settlement agreement and a Consent Order which were filed in 2005. The trustees may amend the trust at their annual meeting or any regular or special meeting of the Board of Trustees, provided that notice is sent at least 21 days prior to such meeting.

REVIEW AND RATIFICATION OF TRUST FUND EXPENDITURES FOR THE PAST YEAR

Finance Director Huff presented the Council with an accounting of the Trust's previous year's expenditures. Motion by Mrs. Weymouth and seconded by Mrs. Coyne to ratify the Trust fund's expenditures for the past year as presented by the Finance Director. Passed four in favor and Mrs. Strong abstained.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Solicitor Ursillo stated that according to the Trust, the President and Vice President are to be elected by a majority vote of the Trustees; the Treasurer of the Trust shall be the current Finance Director of the Town and the Secretary shall be the current Town Clerk. Motion by Mrs. Weymouth and seconded by Mrs. Coyne to nominate June Speakman, President of the Council as President of the Trustees. Passed unanimously. Motion by Mrs. Coyne and seconded by Mrs. Speakman to nominate Kate Weymouth, Vice President of the Council as Vice President of the Trustees. Passed unanimously.

ADOPT FISCAL BUDGET FOR JULY 1, 2013 TO JUNE 30, 2014

Finance Director Huff submitted the Trust's budget which ties in with the Town's fiscal year. Motion by Mrs. Coyne and seconded by Mrs. Strong to adopt the Amey Tucker Spencer Fund fiscal budget for July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014 as presented by the Finance Director. Passed unanimously.

REVIEW OF BY-LAWS AND DISCUSSION OF AMENDING THE MISSION STATEMENT TO CHANGE THE TERM "PERSONS" TO "PEOPLE"

Solicitor Ursillo explained that due to a scrivener's error in the February 6, 2012 Town Council minutes, the word persons was used instead of the word people in the motion made by Councilman Jeffrey Brenner to appropriate funds "for the specific purpose of benefiting the poor and unfortunate persons residing in the Town of Barrington." This correction should be made at the February 4, 2013 Council meeting.

Motion by Mrs. Weymouth and seconded by Mrs. Coyne to adjourn the meeting at 7:07 P.M. Passed unanimously.

Linda H. James, Town Clerk