

**AGENDA FOR THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE TOWN COUNCIL
OF THE TOWN OF EXETER, RHODE ISLAND
675 TEN ROD ROAD
EXETER, RI 02822**

TUESDAY

JANUARY 2, 2007

7:15 P.M.

**MEETING LOCATION: Town Council Chambers
Exeter Town Hall
675 Ten Rod Road, Exeter**

**No. 1 INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Town
Council**

Vice President Robert E. Johnson, Jr.

No. 2 CALL TO ORDER: ROLL CALL:

**No. 3 PUBLIC COMMENT: Comments are not limited to items on this
evening's agenda; however, items not on this agenda will only be
heard and not acted upon by the Town Council unless they are of an**

emergency nature (3 minute time limit per item, 15 minute maximum time allowed for this agenda item)

7:30 P.M.

No. 4 CONSENT AGENDA: Consent Agenda Items are approved in one motion (outlined on pages 5, 6 &7)

No. 5 APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A. Town Council Meeting of December 4, 2006

B. Special Town Council Meeting of December 11, 2006

C. Executive Session of December 4, 2006

D. Executive Session of December 11, 2006

No. 6 APPROVAL OF AGENDA ORDER

No. 7 APPOINTMENTS AND VACANCIES:

A. VACANCIES:

1. Personnel Board Members

(5 Members to replace prior Board)

2. Conservation Commission

3. Tax Assessor's Clerk

(Replacement for Lorraine Shappy)

4. Director of Public Works

(Replacement for Joseph Capirchio)

B. APPOINTMENTS:

1. Reynolds Charitable Trust Committee Member

(Replacement for James Wheaton)

2. Tax Assessor

(Replacement for Wendell Wilkie)

3. Zoning Board of Review Members - 2 Unexpired Terms

(Replacement for W. Monahan and K. Fernstrom)

4. Zoning Board of Review Alternate (1)

(Unexpired term of Tony Gubata)

C. EXPIRING TERMS:

1. Library Board of Trustees (2)

Expiring 3 –Year terms of Barbara J. Tuchon and Judith L. Simonini

No. 8 PUBLIC HEARING:

A. AFTER HOURS LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATION: Baird Beverages, LLC d/b/a Wild Bills, Michael Baird of 2172 Plainfield Pike Coventry, RI 02827 for the property located at 273 Nooseneck Hill Road, Plat 20 Block 3 Lot 12, as advertised and noticed

No. 9 REPORTS OF OFFICERS, BOARDS, COMMITTEES:

A. TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT, REMITTANCES AND ABATEMENTS: Tax Collector Lynette L. Lussier*

B. TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT: Town Treasurer Richard D. Walker*

C. TRANSFER STATION COORDINATOR'S REPORT: Town Council Member William P. Monahan*

D. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION LIAISON'S REPORT: Town Council Member William P. Monahan*

E. SCHOOL DISTRICT LIAISON REPORT: Town Council Member Donald R. Staley*

F. TOWN PLANNER'S REPORT: Town Planner David W. Schweid, AICP*

G. PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT COORDINATOR'S REPORT:

Town Council Vice President Robert E. Johnson, Jr.*

H. ANIMAL CONTROL COORDINATOR'S REPORT: Town

Council Member Kenneth L. Fernstrom*

I. TAX ASSESSOR'S REPORT*

J. FIRE DISTRICT/PUBLIC SAFETY/DISASTER PREPAREDNESS

COMMITTEE LIAISON REPORT: Town Council Vice President

Member Robert E. Johnson, Jr.*

K. EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT REPORT: Director Robert Franklin

and Assistant Director Thomas S. McMillan*

L. WASHINGTON COUNTY REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL

REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT: Town Council President Calvin E.

Ellis*

M. EXETER JOB CORPS CENTER LIAISON REPORT: Town Council

Member Kenneth L. Fernstrom*

N. JUVENILE HEARING BOARD REPORT: Town Sergeant

Richard S. Brown*

O. RI RAIL SECURITY WORK GROUP LIAISONS' REPORT:

Town Sergeant Richard S. Brown and Constable Scote Miller*

P. EXETER PUBLIC LIBRARY LIAISON'S REPORT: Town Council Member Donald R. Staley*

Q. FINANCIAL COORDINATOR'S REPORT: Town Council President Calvin A. Ellis*

R. TOWN COUNCIL ASSISTANT'S REPORT: Town Council Assistant Kenneth G. Findlay*

S. SOLICITOR'S REPORT: James P. Marusak, Esq. of Gidley, Sarli & Marusak

No. 10 UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. EXETER VETERANS' MEMORIAL COMMITTEE: Commission of Monument to Exeter's Veterans

B. HISTORIC PRESERVATION

C. ACCESS TO MISKIANA TRAIL/CONVEYANCE OF QUANATUMPIC PICNIC GROVE, continued from 12/4/06

D. EXETER EMERGENCY SHELTER TO BE LOCATED AT METCALF SCHOOL, continued from 12/4/06

- 1. Town Owned Generator to be Purchased through Grant Funding**
- 2. Memorandum of Understanding (ownership of generator)**

E. BENEFITS FOR NON-UNION EMPLOYEES, continued from 12/4/06

F. SUBMISSION FROM STATE OF RHODE ISLAND: Ladd Center, continued from 12/4/06

G. DIGREGORIO ETHICS AND CHARTER VIOLATION COMPLAINTS, continued from 12/4/06

No. 11 NEW BUSINESS:

A. NEWSPAPER COVERAGE:

- 1. Standard Times**
- 2. Providence Journal**

B. BALD HILL NURSERY/SCHARTNER PROPERTY: Development Rights

C. AGE-RESTRICTED HOUSING

D. PLANNING BOARD RECOMMENDATION: Amendments to Exeter

Zoning Ordinance:

1. Section 2.4.2 Dimensional Regulations - add 2.4.2.10 Maximum Retail Building Footprint

2. Section 1.2 Definitions – add 1.2.33 Gross retail footprint

E. RESOLUTION REGARDING RHODE ISLAND SPECIAL EDUCATION LAWS

F. 2007-2008 BUDGET PROCESS

No. 12 BILLS, APPROPRIATIONS, ABATEMENTS*

No. 13 COMMUNICATIONS*

No. 14 OTHER BUSINESS:

A. SCHEDULE OF JANUARY MEETINGS AND EVENTS*

B. REYNOLDS CHARITABLE TRUST: Approval of Vouchers And Signing of Documents*

C. POLE PETITION: Verizon and Narragansett Electric for Mail Road*

D. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS:

**1. Exeter-West Greenwich Regional School District
Superintendent Thomas J. Geismar, Ed.D***

No. 15 EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. CURRENT LITIGATION

B. LADD CENTER/JOB CORPS

C. LABOR UNION/CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS

D. PERSONNEL ISSUES

E. SUBMISSION FROM STATE OF RHODE ISLAND: Ladd Center

**F. DIGREGORIO ETHICS AND CHARTER VIOLATION
COMPLAINTS**

No. 16 ADJOURNMENT

***Items marked with an asterisk (*) are approved in the CONSENT
AGENDA,**

unless removed by a Town Council Member by request.

No. 4 CONSENT AGENDA

A. Bill Sheet, dated 1/02/07

B. Schedule of January Meetings and Events

C. Abatements, dated 12/04/06

D. Reports

1. Town Clerk's Report, dated 12/31/06

2. Probate Report (no probate this month)

3. Treasurer's Report, dated 1/02/07

**4. Tax Collectors's Report, Remittances and Abatements,
dated 1/02/07**

5. Animal Control Officer's Reports

E. COMMUNICATIONS:

**1. 12/04/06 Letter of interest from John R. Grasso, Esq. for the
vacancy on the Zoning Board of Review.**

- 2. 12/04/06 Letter of interest from Warren F. Halstead II for the vacancy on the Zoning Board of Review.**
- 3. 12/05/06 Newsletter from the USI Protect Manage Grow.**
- 4. 12/06/06 Letter to the Public Works Director from the RI Department of Transportation with the Local Highway Administration instructions for FHWA-536 form.**
- 5. 12/06/06 Letter of interest from Marc L. Simonini for the position on the Zoning Board.**
- 6. 12/07/06 Letter of resignation from Wendell W. Winkie, RICA Tax Assessor.**
- 7. 12/07/06 RI Emergency Management is sponsoring a National Domestic Preparedness Consortium on 2/9/07.**
- 8. 12/07/06 Letter from the RI DEM introducing a community improvement project sponsored by the National Arbor Day Foundation called Tree City USA.**
- 9. 12/07/06 DEM Division of Forest Environment with the form for the appointment of the 2007 Tree Warden.**

- 10. 12/08/06 Notice from the RI Ethics Commission on a public hearing, 1/9/07, 40 Fountain Street, 8th Floor, Providence, RI.**

- 11. 12/08/06 DEM Insignificant Alteration Permit for August Reinhardt at 33 Pinoak Drive, Assessor's Plat 38 Block 5, Lot 13 & 14.**

- 12. 12/8/06 Abbuter Notification from Morgan Advanced Materials and Technology, Inc. regarding environmental investigations at 659 South County Trail.**

- 13. 12/11/06 Letter of interest from Asa David for the vacancy on the Zoning Board.**

- 14. 12/11/06 Letter to Jen Borden from Peter D. Ruggiero regarding a subdivision at 995 Ten Rod Road.**

- 15. 12/12/06 Notice from Dan Beardsley, RI League of Cities and Towns with planed workshops to be conducted at the Convention exhibit booth.**

- 16. 12/12/06 Letter and Memorandum from the Washington County Regional Planning Council.**

- 17. 12/12/06 Emergency Management Advisory Council meeting agenda and draft minutes.**

18. 12/13/06 Governor requests that all RI cities and towns provide their flags with a pole and a stand accompanied by a uniformed police officer for display at the gubernatorial inauguration ceremonies on January 2, 2007.

19. 12/14/06 RI League of Cities and Towns Survey on Municipal Health Insurance Co-Payments.

20. 12/15/06 Application from Mary Christine Belair for the position of Tax Assessor.

21. 12/15/06 Letter of interest from Susanna Camacho for the position of Zoning Board alternate.

22. 12/15/06 Letter of interest from Richard Booth for the position on the Zoning Board of Review.

23. 12/18/06 The Trust is offering a Trust Member Seminar 1/17/07.

24. 12/18/06 News release 12/15/06 GASB proposal would enhance disclosure requirements for governmental pension plans.

25. 12/19/06 Housing Resources Commission announcement of a workshop on 1/3/07, question about the Building Homes Bond.

- 26. 12/20/06 Special Budget Advisory Committee of Coventry report on Senate 3050, the new law designed to limit the maximum amount of property taxes levied by cities and towns.**
- 27. 12/20/06 Invitation to Welcoming Reception for Dr. & Mrs. Thomas J. Geismar, Ed. D., 1/2/06.**
- 28. 12/26/06 Budget request for 2007-2008 from South County Community Action.**
- 29. 12/26/06 Notice from the RI State Labor Relations Board on their revised petitions and forms, effective January 2007.**
- 30. 12/27/06 Letter of interest from Michelle DeVecchio for the position of Tax Assessor.**
- 31. 12/27/06 REAP saving report for November.**
- 32. 12/27/06 Welcoming Reception Invitation for Superintendent Thomas Geismar, 1/3/07.**
- 33. 12/28/06 Letter of interest from Richard W. Lind for position as part time Tax Assessor.**
- 34. 12/28/06 Letter from the State of RI Office of the Auditor General granting our request for an extension to 1/31/07.**

35. 12/28/06 Letter of interest & resume of Paul P. Sczerbinski for the position as part time Tax Assessor.

36. 12/28/06 Letter of interest of James E. Lovegreen for the vacancy on the Reynolds Charitable Trust Committee

37. 12/29/06 Letter of interest and resume of James Drew for the part time Tax Assessor position

38. 12/29/06 Letter of interest and resume of David Brandon for the part time Tax Assessor position

39. 12/29/06 Registration packet for RI League of Cities & Towns 7th Annual Convention, 1/25/07, Crowne Plaza Hotel

No. 14 B. REYNOLDS CHARITABLE TRUST: Vouchers & Documents

C. POLE PETITION: Verizon and Narragansett Electric for Mail Road

D. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT: Exeter-West Greenwich Regional School

District Superintendent Thomas J. Geismar,

Ed.D*

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