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District 5

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District 6

OFFICE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL

March 2, 2010

MINUTES

A meeting of the Town Council was held in the Horace T. Cahill Auditorium, Braintree Town Hall, on Tuesday, March 2, 2010 beginning at 7:33p.m.

Council President Ryan was in the chair.

Clerk of the Council, James Casey, conducted the roll call.

Present: Charles B. Ryan, President
Charles Kokoros, Vice President
Leland A. Dingee
Sean E. Powers
John C. Mullaney
Thomas Bowes
Henry N. Joyce
Ronald DeNapoli
Paul Dan Clifford

Others: Carl Johnson, Attorney

The meeting was opened with the pledge of allegiance and there was a moment of silence for all those serving in our armed services, past and present.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **008 10 Councilor Kokoros:** Prayers for Charlotte
- **010 10 Councilor Joyce:** Recreation Department – Upcoming Events
Councilor DeNapoli: Planning Board Hearing on Union Station
Councilor Kokoros: Retirement Board Public Hearing
Councilor Clifford: Citizen Solider Bill - Quincy

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- February 23, 2010
 - Motion:** by Councilor Kokoros to approve as amended
 - Second:** by Councilor Bowes
 - Discussion:** Councilor Clifford requested that on page 2 under his announcement it reflects the following “Recreation Committee Meeting on Playground/Dog Park Rescheduled to March 18th at 85 Quincy Avenue”
 - Vote:** Unanimous

CITIZEN CONCERNS/COUNCIL RESPONSE

None

OLD BUSINESS

Committee on Public Works

- **10 016 Town Solicitor:** Grant of Conservation Easement Off Granite Street

Councilor DeNapoli reported the Committee on Public Works recommended favorable action.

Attorney Carl Johnson, representing Granite Five Corners Realty, LLC, explained that this easement completes the 2006 Planning Board’s order of conditions on the project.

Councilor Powers asked if it was a standard practice for a rezone. Council President Ryan responded that requests such as this have been requested in the past.

Councilor Kokoros read into the records the motion as printed in the February 17, 2010 letter from the Town Solicitor, Carolyn Murray.

- Motion:** by Councilor Kokoros to approve as read
- Second:** by Councilor Powers
- Vote:** Unanimous

Committee on Ways & Means

- **10 021 Mayor:** Appointment – Conservation Commission

Councilor Mullaney reported that the Committee on Ways & Means has tabled the order as the committee was not provided a resume or background information on the candidate. A request for the information was submitted on February 22nd and it has not been received to date. The Committee has directed the Clerk of the Council to request the information once again and the Committee will take up the order on March 16th.

- **10 022 Mayor:** Appointment – Zoning Board of Appeals

Councilor Mullaney reported that the Committee on Ways & Means has tabled the order for the same reasons as order 10 021.

- **10 023 Golf:** Authorization for five-year lease

Councilor Mullaney informed Council Members that the Mayor had withdrawn his request for a five-year lease and it is explained in a February 25th letter from the Town Solicitor.

Councilor Clifford commented that the lease agreement does not add up and gives him anxiety. The three-year lease is at a cost of \$80,000 per year for a total of \$240,000. The five-year lease is at a cost of \$49,882 per year for a total of approximately \$245,000. He would like to have this reconciled for the benefit of the Town. Council President Ryan commented that he had spoken with the Mayor and there is a new three-year lease with a different cost.

PUBLIC HEARING – Continued from February 23rd

Committee on Ways & Means

- **10 013 Mayor:** Appropriation - Braintree Library Staff Association Collective Bargaining Agreement

Motion: by Councilor Kokoros to continue Public Hearing

Second: by Councilor Denapoli

Vote: Unanimous

Councilor Mullaney reported that the Committee on Ways & Means recommended favorable action. He then read into the records a letter from the Town Solicitor, Carolyn Murray, dated January 21, 2010 highlighting the Collective Bargaining Agreement. Additionally, Councilor Mullaney read into the records the revised motion provided by the Town Solicitor in an email dated February 25th.

Council President Ryan asked if any members of the Council or Public would like to comment. No one came forward.

Motion: by Councilor Kokoros to close Public Hearing

Second: by Councilor Bowes

Vote: Unanimous

Councilor Kokoros read the revised motion as printed in the February 25, 2010 email from the Town Solicitor.

Motion: by Councilor Kokoros to approve as read

Second: by Councilor Bowes

Vote: Unanimous

COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS FROM THE MAYOR AND TOWN BOARDS

None

NEW BUSINESS

None

ADJOURNMENT

It was unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 7:58p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
James M. Casey
Clerk of the Council