

CHARLES RYAN
President

LELAND DINGEE
At Large

SEAN POWERS
At Large

JOHN MULLANEY
District 2

THOMAS BOWES
District 3



CHARLES KOKOROS
Vice President
District 1

HENRY JOYCE
District 4

RONALD DENAPOLI
District 5

PAUL "DAN" CLIFFORD
District 6

OFFICE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL

November 15, 2011

MINUTES

A meeting of the Town Council was held in the Horace T. Cahill Auditorium, Braintree Town Hall, on Tuesday, November 15, 2011 beginning at 7:30p.m.

Council President Ryan was in the chair.

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.

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

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

Others: Lt. Sean Lydon, Police Department
Judy Tullius, General Manager, South Shore Plaza
Joseph Powers, Town Clerk

CORRESPONDENCE

- 050 11 – Clerk of the Council: 2012 Council Meeting Schedule
Council President Ryan asked members to review the proposed 2012 meeting calendar and note any conflicts members may have. The 2012 Meeting Calendar will be formalized at the next Council meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 040 11 – Councilor Joyce: Morrison School “Jingle Jaunt” 5K Road Race/Walk
- 042 11 – Councilor Dingee: BASE Raffle
- 039 11 – Council President: Friends of John Morelli Event
- – Council President: Sustainable Braintree 4th Annual Green Gala
- – Councilor Powers: Second Annual Toys for Tots Event

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion: by Councilor Kokoros to approve November 1, 2011 minutes as amended

Second: by Councilor DeNapoli

Discussion: Joseph Powers, Town Clerk, asked that the minutes be amended to reflect that he had commented on Order 11 045 during the public hearing period.

Vote: Unanimous

CITIZEN CONCERNS/COUNCIL RESPONSE

- 049 11 Councilor Powers: South Shore Plaza – Holiday Season

Councilor Powers commented that he had requested that a representative of the South Shore Plaza come before the Council to review the holiday parking plans to members.

Judy Tullius, General Manager of the South Shore Plaza, noted that the employee parking has been designated to the remote areas of the parking lot. Councilor Kokoros asked how the SSP controls employees from not parking in the prime parking spaces. Ms. Tullius commented that the lease agreement with the stores has a clause that allows the SSP to fine the store for violations and/or tow the employee vehicle. Additionally, the SSP Security Personnel monitors the parking area for violators.

Councilor Kokoros wanted to know if and when the rear gate is opened are there any plans to provide police coverage to provide safety to the neighborhood. Ms. Tullius noted that in the four years she has been at the SSP there was only one time that the rear gate was opened. The SSP does not have authority to open the rear gate; that decision is made by the Police Department. If the Police Department requested additional police coverage the SSP would comply with their request.

Councilor Dingee noted that Dave & Buster's would be opening around mid-December and would add to traffic.

Ms. Tullius commented that the traffic plan is updated each year and tweaked based on the previous year's observations. Police details begin the day after Thanksgiving and end the day after Christmas. A day-to-day detail assignment plan has been provided to each member. In total, the plan calls for 848 hours of details; down 56 hours from the previous year.

Lt. Sean Lydon, Police Department, noted that police details would be assigned at the following locations; Granite Street and Forbes Road, the Mobile on the Run, at the four way intersection by the Japanese Restaurant, Washington Street and Common Street and Sullivan Tire. The details work together to keep traffic flowing.

Council President Ryan wanted to know if the details that are of the "Orders of Condition" for Dave & Buster's are included in the 848 hours of the plan presented. Ms. Tullius stated they were not. She could not comment and further on the details that are part of the Dave & Buster's order of conditions. A representative from Dave & Buster's would have to speak on them.

Councilor DeNapoli wanted to know if there was a phone number for the general public to call if they had a problem. Ms. Tullius noted that the number was 781-843-0808. The number is posted in each of the parking areas.

OLD BUSINESS

- 11 041 – Councilor Powers: Amend Chapter 2-320 – Town Seal

Motion: by Councilor Kokoros to Open Public Hearing

Second: by Councilor DeNapoli

Vote: Unanimous

Councilor Dingee, Chairman of the Ordinance & Rules Committee, reported that the committee had recommended favorable action. The order was back before the Council due to a procedural issue; Order required a notice of a public hearing. The public hearing notice was placed on November 2nd.

Council President Ryan asked if any member of the Council or the Public would like to speak on the issue. No one came forward.

Motion: by Councilor Kokoros to Close Public Hearing

Second: by Councilor DeNapoli

Vote: Unanimous

Councilor Kokoros read the motion as printed in public hearing notice.

Motion: by Councilor Kokoros to approve Order 11 041

Second: by Councilor DeNapoli

Vote: Unanimous

COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS FROM THE MAYOR AND TOWN BOARDS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Refer to Committee on Ways & Means

- 11 048 – Mayor: FY2011 Unpaid Bills – DPW Vehicle & Grounds Maintenance
- 11 049 – Board of Assessors: FY2012 Tax Levy
- 11 054 – Mayor: Acceptance of Land from Robert Cullinane

Motion: by Councilor Kokoros to move above orders to Committee on Ways & Means

Second: by Councilor Bowes

Vote: Unanimous

Refer to Committee on Public Works

- 11 050 – NationalGrid: Petition Butler Road/Carter Road
- 11 051 – NationalGrid: Petition Crawford Road/Crawford Street
- 11 052 – NationalGrid: Petition Glenrose Avenue
- 11 053 – NationalGrid: Petition St/Hobart Ter/Prospect St

Motion: by Councilor Kokoros to move above orders to Committee on Public Works

Second: by Councilor Bowes

Vote: Unanimous

ADJOURNMENT

It was unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 8:15p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
James M. Casey
Clerk of the Council

Documents provided for Meeting

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