



*City of Taunton
Municipal Council Meeting Minutes*

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*Elizabeth Pole School Library
215 Harris Street, Taunton, MA 02780
Minutes, August 20, 2013 at 7:27o'clock P.M.*

Regular Meeting

Council President John McCaul, presiding

Prayer was offered by the Councilor McCaul

At this time, a moment of silence was observed for John Thomas, Retired TMLP

Employee and Jennifer Martel.

Present at roll call were:

*Councilor's Cleary, Colton, Medeiros, Costa-Hanlon, Pottier, McCaul,
Carr, Barbour*

Councilor Marshall was absent

Record of preceding meeting was read by Title and Approved. So Voted.

Hearing:

Hearing came up by assignment on the petition submitted by the City of Taunton, 141 Oak Street for the acceptance of John Street as a public way in the City of Taunton. **Motion was made to open the Hearing. So Voted.** The City Clerk read a communication from the City Engineer – The City Engineer recommended approval of this portion of John Street as a Public Way. **Motion was made to make part of the record. So Voted. Motion was made to invite in the City Engineer. So Voted.** The City Engineer stated that the acceptance of John Street as a public way is for construction problems and roadway improvements. **Motion was made for public input. So Voted.** Speaking in favor was John Amaral, 166 Broadway. Mr. Amaral asked if the roadway would remain a fire lane. Previously, the neighbors had issues with cars blocking their drive-ways and once the fire lane sign was put up, the issue stopped. Councilor Barbour stated that the Council could refer to the Fire Chief to determine if the area would meet the criteria for such. Mr. Amaral stated that the second problem is water especially when it rains. Mr. Amaral stated that when it rains, the water comes off the pavement at Roseland, ends up on John Street and collects behind his house where it remains. Mr. Amaral presented pictures to Council Members. **Motion was made to make photos part of the record. So Voted.** The City Engineer stated that he recently spoke to the DPW Commissioner and with the tearing up of the street; they discussed the opportunity to do other infrastructures within the street. Mr. Amaral stated that other than John Street becoming a public way, he is not opposed to the petition. Edward Annunziato, 160 Broadway is in favor of the project, he just wants to make sure it is done right and there is plenty of access. He stated that the proposed 8" clay pipe that is going to be replaced goes all the way up across the parking lot at Hong Kong City. As far as the parking on

John Street, Mr. Ammunziato said it should be made a "no parking, tow zone" so that residents have access to get out of their drive-ways. Councilor Barbour stated that if this is approved, Council can immediately refer this to the Safety Officer and Fire Chief to see what, if any, parking can be allowed. Mr. Annunziato stated that a water main was installed sometime in 1919 or 1920 that may need to be looked at. Mary Chaves, 170 Broadway is not opposed in making John Street a public way especially if it will help clean up the sewer line that backed up in her home on Mother's Day, which she never received compensation for. Ms. Chaves said that she never knew that John Street was a private way because the City always plowed and graveled the street. **Councilor Carr motioned to request from the Law Department a letter explaining why there was no compensation to Mrs. Chaves especially if a resident is paying sewer bills and there is a back-up into their home why they are not compensated by the City's Insurance Policy. So Voted.** Mr. Amaral stated that the water main is approximately 10 feet from the rear of his home. He questioned what would be done to his property if they install a new line. The City Engineer informed that his home line would be extended to the new line. No one speaking in opposition. **Motion was made to close the hearing, approve the petition as presented and refer all matters to the Safety Officer and Fire Chief to make recommendations as needed for the safety and parking restrictions on the road. So Voted. Motion was made to send notification from the Safety Officer and Fire Chief to the direct abutters on the list. Councilor Cleary motioned to forward the minutes from this Hearing to the DPW. So Voted.**

Hearing came up by assignment on the petition submitted by the City of Taunton, 141 Oak Street for the acceptance of Columbus Boulevard as a public way in the City of Taunton. **Motion was made to open the Hearing. So Voted.** The City Clerk read communication from the City Engineer—Submitting a recommendation to approve portion of unpaved Columbus Boulevard as a public way. **Motion was made to make part of the record. So Voted. Councilor Medeiros motioned to disclosed that he is an Officer of the Italian Social Club and a direct abutter to the petition. He stated that being an Officer of the Italian Social Club will not make any impact on his decision in this matter. So Voted.** The City Engineer stated that the infrastructure on Columbus Boulevard will be to install a water line. Both 0 Columbus Boulevard and 2 Columbus Boulevard are serviced by sewer through an easement out to Hart Street. Councilor Cleary stated that back 6 years ago this street was the topic of discussion. It is a street that we plow and maintain, this will give the City the right to do the infrastructure improvements. **Motion was made for public input. So Voted.** Speaking in favor was Paula Alegi, representing her family of 4 Columbus Boulevard. She feels that it would be good for the street to be a public way because then the residents would be able to get improvements to the street. As far as sewerage, her family at 4 Columbus Boulevard, her aunt Ada Violette of 5 Columbus Boulevard and Mrs. Price of 6 Columbus Boulevard do not have city sewer. When it rains, the entire street floods, so a drainage system is needed. Also, there is a brook covered with debris, trees and grass that contributes to the flooding issues. Ms. Alegi stated that she is happy to get a new street and the entire infrastructure that goes with it; hopefully it will include sewerage. Speaking was Ada Violette, 5 Columbus Boulevard. Ms. Violette has lived on Columbus Boulevard for 86 years and is happy to be getting a new street. Councilor Costa-Hanlon asked if there is a plan to include the sewer lines. Councilor Barbour stated that he spoke at length with the DPW Commissioner and Cathal O'Brien who do not anticipate installing a sewer line;

their goal is to improve the roadway infrastructure, drainage, and water. He stated that if Council accepts his project, then Council could ask the DPW to consider sewer improvements. The DPW was looking into doing the infrastructure improvements in this budget season, no later than the fall. Paula Alegi asked if it is the home owner's responsibility to contact someone to see if they are willing to connect with the residents of Columbus Boulevard. Councilor Costa-Hanlon stated that sewer was a concern of hers because if it is not put in and the road is paved, residents would then need a special permit. She said that Council certainly would like to improve the road as soon as possible, but she would like to give residents the opportunity to pursue sewerage if it is important to them. She said that it may behoove the residents to contact the DPW with their concerns for sewerage. Councilor Barbour stated that bringing sewer to Columbus Boulevard will be a process; it is not a quick process and would be at a cost of 100% to the neighborhood. Councilor Barbour said that spaghetti lines are other things that we need to be cautious of; the DPW is not in favor of them. Councilor Barbour stated that the likelihood of seeing sewerage down Columbus Boulevard is not something in the near future. The City Engineering stated that the cost to abutters would not be as much because the roadway will already be open. No one speaking in opposition. **Motion was made to close the Hearing, grant the petition as presented and refer to the DPW Commissioner the feasibility of sewerage into the area with a report back to the Committee on DPW prior to any work being performed; including reaching out to abutters who expressed concerns. So Voted.**

Hearing came up by assignment on the petition submitted by the Fasolo Family Limited Partnership, 159 Plain St., Taunton for an Earth Removal Permit for property located at Pratt St. (Lot 145). **Motion was made to open the Hearing. So Voted.** The City Clerk read communication from the City Engineer – Submitting a recommendation to approve Earth Removal Permit, Pit No. 86 with conditions outlined by the Earth Removal Board. **Motion was made to make part of the record. So Voted.** The City Clerk read communication from City Engineer – Earth Removal Board Conditions set forth for Earth Removal Permit, Pit No. 86. **Motion was made to make part of the record. So Voted. Motion was made to invite into the enclosure the Fasolo Family and their representative. So Voted.** Present was Paul Patenaude, 198 Crane Avenue, Taunton representing the Fasolo Family. The proposal is to construct four (4), one (1) acre bogs. Mr. Patenaude stated that there were neighbors concerned with the process. Therefore, a field review was conducted with all neighbors of Landing Drive and Pratt Street. The Conservation Agent and a Conservation Commission Member was present during the field review. There will be over 100,000 yards of gravel removed. The permit is for three years and the Fasolo Family is expected to renew their permit after such time. The process will be slow with one (1) bog completed at a time. The total land purchased was 16.5 acres with 69 abutters. The applicant is responsible for all clean-up operations with all work to be looked upon by the DPW-Street Director, Members of Earth Removal Board and City Engineer. Councilor Carr asked how the bond amount was calculated. The City Engineer informed that the bond was calculated based on the area of use. The cost of repairs for the road would consist of the entrance in front of the site itself. Councilor Costa-Hanlon stated that she feels there should be a regular schedule for looking at the impact of the roadways. She would like to have the Earth Removal Board report back, at intervals, to the abutters or Council as to the progression of the bogs. The City Engineer stated that if the Council does approve the petition, Council could impose a

condition whereas when the applicant does start the operations, notification is given to the Earth Removal Board so that they may inspect the progress. Mr. Patenaude informed that a reservoir will be built on the property for the dewatering process. The proposed plan stated that a total of eight (8) acres will be used for the project; the bogs are one (1) acre each with the additional acreage needed for grading. The closest grading of the land to an abutter on Landing Drive is approximately 20 feet; and the closest grading of the land to one (1) abutter on Pratt Street is approximately 20 feet. Mr. Patenaude informed that there will not be stock piling along the abutter line. Mr. Patenaude informed that there may be some stock piling on their own land if work begins right away or they may deliver the materials to another location. Councilor Pottier asked for a schematic plan of the area. **Councilor Pottier motioned to make the schematic plans part of the record. So Voted.** Speaking in favor was Bruce Dennis, 52 Landing Drive. Mr. Dennis stated that his concern is with sediment coming down the hill when it rains. His biggest concern is that the irrigation is done correctly so that they do not have the spill-over into their back yards. There are a number of children in the area and another concern of Mr. Dennis is the use of pesticides on the bogs. He asked that pesticides not be used. Karen Carrazzo, 255 Pratt Street stated that she lives directly across the street from the entrance. She said she has no problem with the project; the applicant has cleaned up the street including the cemetery. Ms. Carrazzo said that the bond should be looked at not for just the applicant but for G. Lopes who comes up and down the street at least 500 times a day. The potholes on the street are unbelievable. Ms. Carrazzo stated that if nothing else, this project will improve the street. Charles Farrell, 44 Pratt Street stated that he is a direct abutter and is 100% in favor of the project; this project will be an asset to the City. No one speaking in opposition. **Councilor Medeiros motioned to close the public input and approve the petition with the conditions as outlined in the letter dated June 18, 2013 by the City Engineer. Councilor Carr motioned to add a condition (#6) that would require the applicant to give 24 hour notification to the Earth Removal Board on days of operations so that someone can access the work being done. Councilor Medeiros amended the motion to include a 24 hour notification. So Voted.** Councilor Costa-Hanlon suggested that the Earth Removal Board consider adding as a standard condition, the condition that the Council approved for notification from applicants when operations begin. **Councilor Carr motioned to request a letter from the Board of Health and Conservation Commission outlining the use of pesticides within the City and what the application and approval process is, within two (2) weeks. So Voted.**

Motion was made to recess for two (2) minutes. So Voted.

Motion was made to call the Regular Council Meeting. So Voted.

Communication from the Mayor:

Com. from Mayor Hoye – Notifying of an express interest in the Leonard School from Russell Barnaby of Taunton Mills, LLC. **Motion was made to refer to the Committee on Public Property. Councilor Pottier questioned the RFP on the property and who has control of the land. He stated that a previous Council had made motions relative to dedicating the property for school use or turning the property back over to the school. Mr. Pottier stated that he will get to the bottom of this and it will be on the agenda for the Committee on Public Property within a couple of weeks. So Voted.**

Communications from City Officers:

Com. from Environmental Compliance Officer – Notifying of odor control devices at the landfill. Mr. Duquette stated that odor control devices are used at the landfill per the protocol agreed upon by the Board of Health and Waste Management. There are no logs kept for the operation of these devices only that they are used in accordance with the protocol. Waste Management does provide the Board of Health copies of the invoices for the purchase of the deodorant chemicals used on these devices every year. **Councilor Barbour motioned to refer this matter to the Committee on Solid Waste and Law Office to be part of negotiations if Council so chooses to allow Waste Management to expand the landfill. He stated that if odor control devices are in place, they should be used. Including maintaining a better schedule for the devices as well as a log maintained for the operation of these devices. During the summer months, it has been a nuisance and is not acceptable. Councilor Cleary asked for the correspondence to be read in its entirety. Councilor Medeiros pressed the motion. So Voted.**

Com. from Environmental Compliance Officer – Notifying of status of grass violations of 616 Bay Street and 273 Bay Street. Mr. Duquette informed that 273 Bay Street is not a property in the City of Taunton, the address in question he believes to be is 271 Broadway. The following is a timeline regarding the actions taken by the Board of Health for these properties: Official Nuisance Ordinance with new language to include high grass was received from the City Clerk on July 18, 2013; Order letters were sent certified on July 19, 2013; 616 Bay Street Order letter was returned to sender on July 26, 2013; Order letter was posted at 616 Bay Street on August 1, 2013; 271 Broadway Order letter was returned to sender on August 9, 2013; Order letter was posted at 271 Broadway on August 12, 2013; \$50 ticket issued for 616 Bay Street on August 16, 2013. Mr. Duquette wrote that ticketing abandoned properties has taken a large amount of the Board of Health resources and would like to explore other options in dealing with nuisance issues of these types of properties. **Motion was made to refer to the Law Office and Board of Health for additional action as they see fit with an update in three weeks. Councilor Barbour motioned for the Board of Health to forward their suggested options in dealing with nuisance issues of these types to Council. Councilor Cleary stated that the Ordinance refers to other Departments-DPW, Building Department, Zoning Board and Conservation Board; therefore, any one of these Departments can bring action against these properties, depending on which Department the Council refers the issue to. Councilor Carr stated that she previously made the motion and referred the issues to the Board of Health because it was high grass/rodents. Councilor Medeiros pressed the motion. So Voted.**

Com. from City Auditor – Requesting to meet with the Committee on Finance and Salaries at the meeting scheduled for August 26, 2013 regarding finalizing the encumbrances and year end transfers for city departments as of June 30, 2013. **Motion was made to refer to the Committee on Finance and Salaries. So Voted.**

Com. from City Treasurer/Collector – Notifying of Tax Title Parcels. Land Court has entered a foreclosure decree on tax title parcel assessed to David J. Brask, Parcel #53-260

– Tremont Street. **Motion was made to refer to the Law Department and Tax Possession Custodian. So Voted.**

Com. from City Treasurer/Collector – Notifying of Tax Title Parcels. Land Court has entered a foreclosure decree on tax title parcel assessed to Paula M. Richardi, Parcels #91-221 – 7 Nickerson Ave. and #91-222 – 5 Nickerson Avenue. **Motion was made to refer to the Law Department and Tax Possession Custodian. So Voted.**

Com. from Irene Fernandes, John Shea Court – Requesting Council’s presence on Wednesday, September 11th at 2pm to share in the memory of all who perished at the World Trade Center. **Motion was made to refer to Council President. So Voted.**

Com. from Bobby Walsh, Executive Director, Bike to the Beach for Autism – Requesting permission for cyclists to ride through city streets on August 30, 2012 to help support Autism Speaks. **Motion was made to move approval and refer to Fire, Police and Ambulance Service. So Voted.**

Com. from Peter J. Richer, Engineering Manager, Waste Management of Massachusetts submitting information on the Taunton Sanitary Landfill Expansion. Council previously asked Waste Management of Massachusetts, Inc. to float a balloon to identify the height of the landfill under the proposed expansion. The schedule to float the balloon will begin on the morning of Thursday, August 29, 2013 and will be removed at the close of business around 5pm. **Motion was made to refer to the Committee on Solid Waste. So Voted.**

Com. from Brian Gillis, Field Engineer, Columbia Gas of Massachusetts – Requesting to cut into small sections of roadways currently under the moratorium to complete a gas main infrastructure replacement project on portions of Main Street, Cedar Street, Union Street, Trescott Street, Merchants Land and Leonard Court in conjunction with the construction currently underway on the City of Taunton Phase II Sidewalk Replacement Project and Phase 9 Infrastructure Update project. Councilor Medeiros stated that he spoke to Commissioner Cornaglia this evening as well as Councilor Marshall and they have requested to schedule a Hearing before the DPW Committee at the first meeting in September. The letter from Columbia Gas states that their anticipated start date of this project is the week of August 26, 2013. Councilor Medeiros stated that he is well aware of the anticipated start date, but the hearing date was requested by Commissioner Cornaglia. **Motion was made to refer to the DPW Committee to schedule a Hearing at the first meeting in September. So Voted.**

Extra communication was read by Councilor Barbour – City Treasurer’s letter dated August 19, 2013 regarding the City’s Top 100 Salaries. **Motion was made to refer correspondence to next week’s agenda packet so that it becomes part of Public Record. Councilor Cleary requested the list to be identified by Departments. So Voted.**

Extra communication was read by Councilor Costa-Hanlon – Communication from Ann Bisson informing that September is National Senior Center Month. This year the theme is Senior Centers- Experts on Living Well. Councilor Costa-Hanlon stated that the

Human Service Department is requesting all departments to “fill-in the blank” that will be displayed at the Senior Center on Olney Street. Viewing of the display is scheduled on September 23rd at the Senior Center.

Extra communication was read by Councilor Barbour – Human Resources has posted an application for the Trash Enforcement Officer with a deadline for applications being the end of August. **Motion was made to refer to the Committee on Solid Waste for second week in September. So Voted.**

Petition submitted by Kathleen Campanirio, 110 N. Walker Street, Taunton, dba K & L Auto Sales, 78-80 Cohannet Street, Taunton requesting to transfer her Class II License to Frederick T. Kingsley, 4 Northway, Taunton to the same location. **Motion was made to refer to the Committee on Police & License and Police Chief. So Voted.**

Committee Reports:

Motion was made for Committee reports to be read by Title and Approved. So Voted. Recommendations adopted to reflect the votes as recorded in Committee Reports. So Voted.

Unfinished Business

Councilor Barbour stated that three residents on Dighton Avenue have approached him regarding sewer tie-in. **Councilor Barbour motioned to refer to the DPW Committee to meet and discuss the willingness or direction that the DPW Commissioners may entertain to allow these residents, who are in dire need of replacing their septic systems, the opportunity to tie-in to city sewer from The Settlement on Warner Blvd. So Voted.**

Orders, Ordinances and Resolutions

Resolution from Bristol County Saving Bank, 35 Broadway requesting Public Depository and Authorizing withdrawal of Municipal Public Moneys of our City Treasurer/Collector. **Motion was made to move approval. So Voted.**

New Business

Councilor Barbour motioned to refer to the Safety Officer the radar and radar trailer for School Street and Thrasher Street. So Voted.

With the upcoming election, Councilor Pottier requested the City Clerk to add candidate emails to any up-coming correspondence that is non-confidential.

Councilor Pottier motioned to refer to the DPW Commissioner, the orange construction barrels left on Stevens Street, possibly by CSX, from the Stevens Street bridge construction. So Voted.

Councilor Pottier motioned to forward a letter of thanks to Dr. Hackett and fellow School Committee Members thanking them for the use of the Elizabeth Pole School Library during the summer months for City Council Meetings. Tonight is the last scheduled meeting at the school. So Voted.

Councilor Costa-Hanlon motioned to refer to the Council President to schedule a meeting with the new Principal of the Taunton Alternative High School for a walk-thru of the building and to meet with them. So Voted.

Councilor Carr informed everyone that tomorrow, Wednesday, August 21st is the scheduled date for Morey's Bridge to be paved.

Motion was made to adjourn at 9:30p.m. So Voted.

A true copy:

Attest:

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Rose Marie Blachutka".

City Clerk

RMB/dmc

CITY OF TAUNTON
MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
AUGUST 20, 2013

THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND SALARIES

PRESENT WERE: COUNCILOR DEBORAH CARR, CHAIRMAN AND COUNCILORS CLEARY AND COLTON. ALSO PRESENT WERE BUDGET DIRECTOR GILL ENOS AND TREASURER/COLLECTOR BARBARA AUGER

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 5:45 P.M.

1. MEET TO REVIEW THE WEEKLY VOUCHERS & PAYROLLS FOR CITY DEPARTMENTS

MOTION: MOVE APPROVAL OF THE INVOICE WARRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,710,312.99. SO VOTED.

MOTION: MOVE APPROVAL OF THE PAYROLL WARRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,115,810.60. SO VOTED.

2. MEET TO REVIEW REQUESTS FOR FUNDING

MOTION: MOVE APPROVAL OF REQUEST OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FOR AN APPROPRIATION OF \$15,854.71 TO FUND THE BENEFIT PAYOUT FOR MR. MCCARTY. FUNDS TO BE TRANSFERRED FROM RESERVE ACCOUNT NO. 1-132-202-5784 AS FOLLOWS: \$10,933.29 TO ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ACCOUNT NO. 1-182-201-5191- SICK
\$3,833.20 TO ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ACCOUNT NO. 1-182-201-5197 - VACATION
\$1,088.22 TO ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ACCOUNT NO. 1-182-201--5193 - PERSONAL
SO VOTED.

AFTER THIS TRANSFER, THE BALANCE IN THE RESERVE ACCOUNT WILL BE \$484,145.29.

DISCUSSED ALSO WAS PREVIOUS LETTER OF BUDGET DIRECTOR REQUESTING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$27,137.30 TO PAY A PRIOR YEAR BILL OF THE SCHOOL DEPARTMENT. NO INFORMATION HAD BEEN REQUESTED OF THE SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.

MOTION: CONTINUE THIS MATTER FOR ONE WEEK. THE CLERK OF COMMITTEES IS TO ASK FOR CLARIFICATION AS TO HOW THIS BECAME A CITY EXPENSE RATHER THAN A SCHOOL DEPARTMENT EXPENSE. SO VOTED.

3. MEET WITH THE TREASURER/COLLECTOR TO DISCUSS CURRENT BONDING STATUS AND BONDING FOR NEW CITY HALL OPTIONS

THE TREASURER/COLLECTOR PROVIDED DOCUMENTS WITH INFORMATION ON FINANCING OPTIONS FOR THE RENOVATION/EXPANSION OF CITY HALL AND AN ANALYSIS OF EXISTING AND AUTHORIZED LONG-TERM DEBT. ADDITIONALLY A BREAKDOWN OF DEBT BY FINANCING SOURCE, DETAILING DEBT FUNDED THROUGH TAXATION, THE ENTERPRISE FUND, AND THE MUNICIPAL LIGHT PLANT WAS PROVIDED. SHE ALSO SORTED THE DEBT SHOWING THE CITY'S DEBT, SCHOOL DEPARTMENT DEBT, TMLP, SEWER AND WATER DEPARTMENTS DEBT. SHE ALSO NOTED THAT THE WARNER BLVD. ACQUISITION, THE HIGH SCHOOL, PARKER SCHOOL AND THE GALLIGAN SCHOOL ROOF WERE FUNDED THROUGH TAXATION. THE DOCUMENTS SHOW THE AGGREGATE OUTSTANDING DEBT FOR THE CITY AND SHOWS THE PRINCIPAL

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THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND SALARIES - CONTINUED

AND INTEREST PAID EACH YEAR. IT SHOWS HOW MUCH THE DEBT DROPS OFF EACH YEAR. THE SEWER AND WATER DEBT CHANGES VERY LITTLE YEAR TO YEAR BECAUSE THE INTEREST RATE IS VERY LOW. THE TMLP DEBT IS PAID FROM THEIR FUNDS.

REGARDING THE CITY HALL OPTIONS. OPTION 1 OF THE STUDY COSTS \$14,720,000.0. THE FIRST METHOD USED WAS THE LEVEL PRINCIPAL METHOD. IT WILL COST \$490,000 EACH YEAR AND THE INTERST RATE IS 5 ½%. WITH THE EQUAL PRINCIPAL METHOD, THE PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST PAYMENT EACH CALENDAR YEAR REMAINS ABOUT THE SAME - \$1 - \$1.5 MILLION THROUGHOUT THE LIFE OF THE LOAN.

THE TREASURER/COLLECTOR STATED THAT THE LEVEL DEBT PROVIDES A LEVEL OF PREDICTABILITY AS YOU PAY THE SAME AMOUNT EACH YEAR IN PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST OVER THE LENGTH OF THE LOAN. IN 2008 THE CITY SHIFTED TO THE LEVEL DEBT METHOD, BUT SHE WOULD LIKE TO MOVE BACK TOWARD THE LEVEL PRINCIPAL METHOD.

SHE ALSO STATED THAT THE CITY HAS THE CAPACITY WITHIN ITS DEBT LIMIT TO FUND THE CITY HALL PROJECT. HOWEVER BUDGETARY CONSTRAINTS NEED CONSIDERATION.

QUESTIONED WAS HOW MUCH IS THE CITY'S LIMIT TO BOND. THE TREASURER/COLLECTOR DID NOT HAVE THAT INFORMATION BUT IT IS MORE THAN THE \$23 MILLION NEEDED FOR THE MOST EXPENSIVE CITY HALL OPTION. SHE WILL PROVIDE THIS FIGURE TO THE COUNCILORS.

THE TOTAL OUTSTANDING DEBT NOW FOR THE CITY IS \$128,288,455.06. \$33 MILLION IS OUTSTANDING DEBT PAID THROUGH TAXATION.

MS. AUGER ALSO RECOMMENDS THAT IN ORDER TO MAKE SURE THAT THE CITY HALL PROJECT IS DOABLE, THE CITY MAY CONSIDER NOT ALLOWING ANY OTHER GENERAL FUND DEBT.

MOTION: TO MAKE THE PACKET OF INFORMATION PART OF THE RECORD

COUNCILOR BARBOUR ASKED THAT THIS BE PLACED ON THE CITY'S WEB SITE. COUNCILOR BARBOUR ALSO STATED THAT HIS CONCERN IS THAT HE DOES NOT WANT TO CRIPPLE OTHER PROJECTS TO DO THE CITY HALL PROJECT AND BONDING IT. THE COMMITTEE SHOLD MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS ON HOW TO PROCEED, AND HE HOPES THAT THIS DOES NOT GO PAST ANOTHER MONTH. THE COMMITTEE NEEDS TO ASK THE ADMINISTRATION WHAT THEIR INTENT IS.

COUNCILOR COSTA-HANLON ALSO STATED THAT THIS DOCUMENT SHOULD BE PROVIDED TO THE ADMINISTRATION, AND THAT THE COMMITTEE NEEDS TO KNOW WHAT IS LEFT IN THE INSURANCE ACCOUNTS.

COUNCILOR CLEARY SAID THAT IN NOVEMBER, FREE CASH WILL BE SOLIDIFIED AND THIS INFORMATION IS NEEDED AS THE COUNCIL TRYs TO MAKE THIS DECISION. THEY WILL BE ABLE TO MAKE A BETTER DECISION WITH THIS INFORMATION IN HAND.

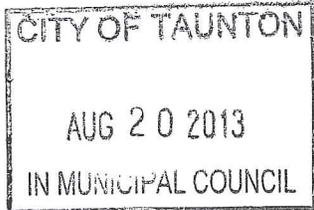
MOTION: TO TAKE A FEW WEEKS TO REVIEW THE NUMBERS PROVIDED BY THE TREASURER/COLLECTOR. THE CLERK OF COMMITTEES IS TO FORWARD TO THE MAYOR'S OFFICE A COPY OF THE DOCUMENTS PROVIDED. IN THREE WEEKS A MEETING IS TO BE HELD TO DISCUSS WITH THE MAYOR, BUDGET DIRECTOR AND BUILDING SUPERINTENDENT THIS INFORMATION AND TO GET THEIR IDEAS ON HOW THE CITY SHOULD PROCEED. ALSO INFORMATION IS TO BE PROVIDED AS TO WHAT IS LEFT IN THE INSURANCE ACCOUNTS THAT CAN BE APPLIED TO THE CITY HALL PROJECT. SO VOTED.

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THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND SALARIES – CONTINUED

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:41 P.M.



RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Colleen M. Ellis".

COLLEEN M. ELLIS
CLERK OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES

REPORTS ACCEPTED, RECOMMENDATIONS ADOPTED.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Rose Marie Blackwell".
CITY CLERK

CITY OF TAUNTON
MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
AUGUST 20, 2013

THE COMMITTEE ON YOUTH AND RECREATION

PRESENT WERE: COUNCILOR JOHN MCCAUL, CHAIRMAN AND COUNCILORS CARR, MEDEIROS AND BARBOUR. ALSO PRESENT WERE ANNEMARIE MATULIS OF THE SILVER CITY TEEN CENTER, TRACEY MEDEIROS OF THE SOUTHEASTER VOICES AGAINST VIOLENCE AND THE VIOLENCE PREVENTION TASK FORCE AND DEB BROWN.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:54 P.M.

1. MEET WITH ANNEMARIE MATULIS AND MEMBERS OF THE SILVER CITY TEEN CENTER TO DISCUSS PROGRAMS FOR THE NEW TEEN CENTER

MS. MEDEIROS STATED THAT THE FOCUS RIGHT NOW IS ON THE 11TH ANNUAL CANDLE LIGHT VIGIL TO HONOR 2013 NATIONAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH. THIS WILL TAKE PLACE ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 7TH FROM 6:00-7:00 P.M. ON THE TAUNTON GREEN. THEY WOULD LIKE TO SEE CITY LEADERS ATTEND THIS EVENT. EARLIER THAT DAY THEY WILL BE JOINED BY NEW HOPE WHO WILL PROVIDE THE CLOTHESLINE PROJECT DISPLAY. THEY ALSO WOULD LIKE TO SEE PURPLE BALLOONS DISPLAYED DOWNTOWN AS THE COLOR TO WEAR IS PURPLE.

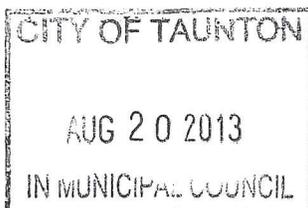
MS. BROWN NOTED THAT THE VIOLENCE PROGRAM AT THE HIGH SCHOOL NO LONGER IS IN EFFECT BECAUSE THERE IS NO ADVISOR. IT REQUIRES EXTENSIVE TRAINING.

MS. MATULIS INFORMED THE COMMITTEE THAT ON SEPTEMBER 8TH THE 4TH ANNUAL SUICIDE PREVENTION WALK WILL TAKE PLACE FROM 1:30-3:30 P.M. THE WALK BEGINS AND ENDS AT THE SILVER CITY TEEN CENTER LOCATED AT THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS, 111 HIGH STREET, TAUNTON. THERE IS NO REGISTRATION FEE, BUT PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUESTED. THE GOALS OF THIS WALK ARE TO BRING ATTENTION TO THE FACT THAT SUICIDE IS PREVENTABLE, AND TO RAISE FUNDING TO BE ABLE TO CONTINUE TO BRING TRAINING TO RECOGNIZE NOT JUST THE SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS OF DEPRESSION AND SUICIDE, BUT TO KNOW WHERE TO REFER SOMEONE IN NEED AND TO BRING THAT TRAINING TO NOT JUST THE GREATER TAUNTON AREA, BUT THROUGHOUT BRISTOL COUNTY.

THE SILVER CITY TEEN CENTER IS ALSO AT ST. THOMAS CHURCH AND IS DEDICATED TO NONVIOLENCE, PROVIDES TEENS WITH A SAFE PLACE TO GATHER, PARTICIPATE IN SOCIAL AND RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES, GET HOMEWORK HELP AND TO ENGAGE IN COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES. THEIR BUDGET WAS BASED ON GRANTS, BUT FUNDING WAS CUT SO THEY NOW DO FUNDRAISING AND HAVE VOLUNTEERS. THEY WILL BE DOING MORE FUNDRAISING IN ORDER TO KEEP THE CENTER OPEN AND TO CONTINUE WITH THEIR PROGRAMS.

MOTION: TO POST ON THE CITY'S WEBSITE THE SEPTEMBER 8TH SUICIDE PREVENTION WALK AND THE OCTOBER 7TH VIOLENCE PREVENTION CANDLELITE VIGIL. SO VOTED.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:19 P.M.



RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

Colleen M. Ellis

COLLEEN M. ELLIS
CLERK OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES

REPORTS ACCEPTED, RECOMMENDATIONS ADOPTED.

Rm Beachwell

CITY CLERK



CITY OF TAUNTON

ORDER #1
 FY 2014
 AUGUST 20, 2013

In Municipal Council 20.....

Ordered, That

THE SUM OF FIFTEEN THOUSAND

EIGHT HUNDRED FIFTY FOUR DOLLARS AND SEVENTY ONE CENTS (\$15,854.71) BE

AND HEREBY IS TRANSFERRED FROM RESERVE ACCOUNT NO. 1-132-202-5784 AS

FOLLOWS:

\$10,933.29	TO ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ACCOUNT NO. 1-182-201-5191 – SICK
\$3,833.20	TO ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ACCOUNT NO. 1-182-201-5197 – VACATION
\$1,088.22	TO ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ACCOUNT NO. 1-182-201-5193

..... *Clerk.*