

A Special meeting of the Town Council held for the Town of Scituate on Tuesday, November 14, 2006 in the Town Council Chambers, 195 Danielson Pike, N. Scituate was called to order at 6:15 PM. Council President Richard presiding.

Council members present were Councilmen Winfield, Marcello, Budway, Farrar, Marchant and Council President Richard. Councilman Salisbury was absent.

Council President Richard briefly explained the contents of this evening's meeting. He said that the only item on the agenda is the discussion and/or approval of the letter of support for a federal grant for Northwest Health Community Care to build a Health Center in Foster. He explained that this health center will service the medically underserved in the Scituate/Foster area. He explained that this meeting is to allow the Council to read Dr. Fine's letter.

Mr. Peter Brancroft, Director of Northwest Health Community Care, told the Council that he would like a letter of support for this project to be included in the grant application.

Council Vice-President Budway stated that it will not necessarily hurt the grant proposal if the Council does not give a letter of support.

General discussion followed with Councilman Marchant stating that he feels that it will hurt the chances of the Scituate Health Care Alliance receiving federal funding. He also noted that Dr. Fine's letter states the same thing. (copy herewithin).

Motion made by Council President Richard seconded by Councilman Marchant and voted as follows to deny the request for a letter of support from Northwest Health Community Care.

Councilman Marchant-aye

Councilman Farrar-aye

Council Vice-President Budway-aye

Council President Richard-aye

Councilman Marcello-nay

Councilman Winfield-nay

Motion carries with four affirmative and two negative votes.

Motion made by Councilman Marchant, seconded by Councilman Marcello and voted by consent agreement to adjourn the meeting at 6:39 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret M. Long, Town Clerk

For complete discussion refer to audiotape.