

A regular meeting of the Town Council held for the Town of Scituate on Thursday, February 8, 2007 in the Town Council Chambers, 195 Danielson Pike, N. Scituate was called to order at 7:02 PM. Council President Budway presiding.

After pledging allegiance to the flag of our country, Town Clerk Long called the roll. Roll call vote as follows:

Councilman Salisbury --present	Council Vice-President Farrar -- present
Councilman Collins -- present	Councilman Winfield--absent
Councilwoman Knowlton -- present	Councilman D'Agostino --present
Council President Budway – present	

Motion made by Councilman Salisbury, seconded by Councilman Collins and voted by a roll call vote to open the Public Hearing.

Councilman Collins--aye	Councilman Knowlton-aye
Councilman D'Agostino--aye	Council Vice-President Farrar--aye
Council President Budway--aye	Councilman Salisbury-aye

Motion passes; Public Hearing for Community Development Block Grant is now open.

Judy Loven, Board of Directors of Western RI Home Repair Program was present to answer any questions.

Judy Loven gave a brief history of the Western RI Home Repair Program and the Community Development Block Grant. She said the larger cities and towns apply for these grants directly, but the towns of Scituate, Foster and Glocester have joined together to form Western RI Home Repair Program to ask for the grants so there is only one administration cost. All towns ask for money individually but, they run the Western RI Home Repair Program collectively. She explained that there are six Board members, two from each Town.

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Motion made by Councilwoman Knowlton, seconded by Councilman Salisbury and voted by a role call vote to close the Public Hearing.

Councilman Collins-aye	Councilman D'Agostino-aye
Councilman Salisbury-aye	Council Vice-President Farrar-aye
Council President Budway-aye	Councilwoman Knowlton-aye

Motion passes the Public Hearing is closed.

Motion made by Councilman Salisbury, seconded by Councilman Collins and voted by consent agreement to approve the January 11, 2007 Town Council minutes.

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Judy Loven, Director of Senior Services told the Council that everything is going well at the Senior Center. She also said that the number of people coming to the center is increasing all of the time.

Motion made by Councilman Salisbury, seconded by Councilman Collins and voted by consent agreement to place and file all departmental reports.

During audience participation,

Motion made by Councilman D'Agostino, seconded by Councilman Collins and voted by consent agreement to approve the additions in the amount of \$248.00.

Motion made by Councilman Salisbury, seconded by Councilman Collins and voted by consent agreement to approve the joint pole location on Burnt Hill Road with Mr. Iverson's recommendation.

Motion made by Council Vice-President Farrar, seconded by Councilman D'Agostino and voted by consent agreement to grant a Private Detectives license to Nicholas J. Murphy, 42 Gentry Way with Chief Mack's recommendation.

Motion made by Councilman Salisbury, seconded by Councilman Collins and voted by consent agreement to accept with regret the resignation of Andrew Arkway from the Land Trust.

Motion made by Councilman Salisbury, seconded by councilman Collins and voted by consent agreement to appoint Jon Vernava of 59 Countryside Lane to the Land Trust for a term expiring December 2007.

Motion made by Councilman Salisbury, seconded by Councilman Collins and voted by a roll call vote to open the public hearing.

Councilman Salisbury-aye

Councilwoman Knowlton-aye

Councilman Collins

Councilman D'Agostino

Council President Budway-aye

Council Vice-President Farrar

Motions carries.

General discussion on the ordinance amendment for Central Avenue to be posted for "No thru Trucking".

Councilman Salisbury asked if legal counsel has researched this.

Town Solicitor D'Agostino said that the Town can post the road no thur trucking if they feel that it is in the interest of public safety.

Councilman Salisbury asked if before the Council entertains this amendment if we could get something from the State saying that it is not a State Road.

Motion made by Councilman D'Agostino, seconded by Councilman Collins and voted by consent agreement to table this request until we receive a letter from the State.

Motion made by Councilman Collins, seconded by Council Vice-President Farrar and voted by consent agreement to dispense with the second reading of the addition of Red Cedar Road to the Stop Sign Ordinance and to approve it.

Motion made by Councilman Salisbury, seconded by councilman Collins and voted by a roll call vote to close the Public hearing.

Councilman Salisbury-aye

Council Vice-President Budway-aye

Councilwoman Knowlton-aye

Councilman Collins-aye

Councilman D'Agostino-aye

Council President Budway-aye

Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilman Collins, seconded by Councilman D'Agostino and voted by consent agreement to re-appoint the Human Resources Committee for a term expiring February 2008. (list herewith).

Motion made by Councilman Collins, seconded by Councilman D'Agostino and voted by consent agreement to re-appoint School Space Needs Committee for a term expiring February 2008. (list herewith)

Councilman Salisbury asked since Michael Marcello was a Town Council member at the time of his appointment to this committee, shouldn't we replace him with another Council member since the committee is suppose to have two Council members and two School Committee members and then people from the general public.

Mr. Marcello, Chopmist Hill Road said that he would like to continue on this Committee. He said that when Rita LaDuke left the Council they allowed her to stay on the Committee and just appointed another Councilmember.

Town Clerk Long said that did happen and there are no statutory regulations regulating the number of members of this committee. She said that the committee is not governed by an ordinance.

Councilman Salisbury said that he has no problem with allowing Mr. Marcello to stay on the Committee and just appointing another Councilmember at this time.

Motion made by Councilman Salisbury, seconded by Councilman Collins and voted by consent agreement to appoint Councilwoman Knowlton to the School Space Needs Committee for a term expiring February 2008.

Motion made by Councilman Salisbury, seconded by Councilman Collins and voted by consent agreement to re-appoint the Police Pension Study Committee for a term expiring February 2008. (list herewith)

The first item to be discussed is the rules of conduct for Council meetings. General discussion followed with various items being discussed.

Motion made by Councilman Collins, seconded Councilman D'Agostino and voted by consent agreement to pay early expenses of \$84,367.64 regular Council expenses of \$54,994.42 and supplemental Council expenses of \$65,726.50, for a total of \$205,088.56.

Motion made by Councilman, seconded by Councilman and voted by a roll call vote to adjourn to Closed session pursuant to R.I.G.L. 42-46-5(A) 2 Litigation-Providence Water Supply Board at 9:40PM and to allow Karen Beattie, Ted Przybyla and Ted Richard to attend.

Councilman Salisbury-aye

Councilman Collins-aye

Councilman D'Agostino-aye

Councilwoman-Knowlton-aye

Council Vice-President Farrar-aye

Council President Budway-

aye

Motion passes adjourned to closed session at 9:41 PM.

Reconvened at 11:15 PM.

Motion made by Councilman Salisbury, seconded by Councilman D'Agostino and voted by consent agreement to reaffirm the vote in closed session.

Motion made by Councilman Salisbury, seconded by Councilman Collins and voted by consent agreement to adjourn at 11:16 PM and to keep the minutes of the meeting previously closed to the public; closed pursuant to RIGL 42-46-4 and 42-46-5 and allow the Town Clerk 14 days to prepare the minutes of the meeting.

Attest:

Margaret M. Long, Town Clerk