

A regular meeting of the Town Council held for the Town of Scituate on Thursday, February 12, 2009 in the Town Council Chambers, 195 Danielson Pike, N. Scituate was called to order at 7:33PM. 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 Hanna --present	Council Vice-President Farrar-- present
Councilwoman Frederickson--present	Councilman Winfield--present
Councilman Collins-present	Council President Budway --present
Councilman D'Agostino-present	

Motion made by Councilman Farrar, seconded by Councilman Winfield and voted by a roll call to open the Public Hearing.

Councilman Hanna --aye	Councilman Collins-- aye
Councilwoman Frederickson—aye	Councilman Winfield--aye
Councilman Farrar-aye	Council President Budway --aye
Councilman D'Agostino-aye	

Motion passes.

David Provonsil, explained that this zoning amendment will allow us to be in compliance with FEMA regulations. He said that once these amendments are passed, residents in the floodplain will be eligible to get National Floodplain Insurance. He said that there only about 30-40 structures in the Town that are affected.

Mary Beth Ouellette, 637 Elmdale Road asked if there is a disaster plan along with this plan.

Mr. Provonsil said no this is just a zoning ordinance, a disaster plan would have to implement thru E.M.A. He also said that the Federal Government has also redone all of our flood maps.

Motion made by Council Vice-President Collins, seconded by Councilman D'Agostino and voted to approve the proposed amendments to the zoning ordinance-article IV.-section 9-floodplain district regulations.

Councilman Hanna --aye	Councilman Collins-- aye
Councilwoman Frederickson—aye	Councilman Winfield--aye
Councilman Farrar-aye	Council President Budway --aye
Councilman D'Agostino-aye	

Motion passes.

Motion made by Council Vice-President Collins, seconded by Councilman Winfield and voted to close the public hearing.

Councilman Hanna --aye	Councilman Collins-- aye
Councilwoman Frederickson—aye	Councilman Winfield--aye
Councilman Farrar-aye	Council President Budway --aye
Councilman D'Agostino-aye	

Motion passes.

Motion made by Council Vice-President Collins, seconded by Councilman D'Agostino and voted to approve the minutes of the Special Council meeting of December 4, 2008 and Closed Session of December 4, 2008.

Councilman Hanna --abstain	Councilman Collins-- aye
Councilwoman Frederickson—abstain	Councilman Winfield--aye
Councilman Farrar-aye	Council President Budway --aye
Councilman D'Agostino-aye	

Motion passes.

Motion made by Council Vice-President Collins, seconded by Councilman D'Agostino and voted to approve the minutes of the January 8, 2009 Council Meeting.

Councilman Hanna --aye	Councilman Collins-- aye
Councilwoman Frederickson—aye	Councilman Winfield--aye
Councilman Farrar-aye	Council President Budway --aye
Councilman D'Agostino-aye	

Motion passes.

Motion made by Council Vice-President Collins, seconded by Councilman D'Agostino and voted to approve the minutes of the January 9, 2009 Special Council meeting.

Councilman Hanna --aye	Councilman Collins-- aye
Councilwoman Frederickson—aye	Councilman Winfield--abstain
Councilman Farrar-aye	Council President Budway --aye
Councilman D'Agostino-aye	

Motion passes.

Motion made by Council Vice-President Collins, seconded by Councilman D'Agostino and voted to approve minutes of the January 22, 2009 Special Council meeting and Closed Session.

Councilman Hanna --aye	Councilman Collins-- aye
Councilwoman Frederickson—aye	Councilman Winfield--aye
Councilman Farrar-aye	Council President Budway --aye
Councilman D'Agostino-aye	

Motion passes.

Motion made by Council Vice-President Collins, seconded by Councilman D'Agostino and voted to approve the minutes of the Special Council meeting of January 25, 2009.

Councilman Hanna --aye	Councilman Collins-- aye
Councilwoman Frederickson—aye	Councilman Winfield--abstain
Councilman Farrar-aye	Council President Budway --aye
Councilman D'Agostino-aye	

Motion passes.

Motion made by Council Vice-President Collins, seconded by Councilman D'Agostino and voted to approve the minutes of the two Closed Sessions of January 25, 2009.

Councilman Hanna --aye  
Councilman Collins-- aye  
Councilwoman Frederickson—aye  
Councilman Winfield--aye  
Councilman Farrar-aye  
Council President Budway --aye  
Councilman D'Agostino-aye

Motion passes.

Motion made by Council Vice-President Collins, seconded by Councilman Winfield to approve the minutes of the December 16, 2008 Special Financial Town Meeting.

Councilman Hanna --abstain  
Councilman Collins-- aye  
Councilwoman Frederickson—abstain  
Councilman Winfield--aye  
Councilman Farrar-aye  
Council President Budway --aye  
Councilman D'Agostino-aye

Motion passes.

Motion made by Council Vice-President Collins, seconded by Councilman Winfield and voted to approve the minutes of the Closed Session of January 8, 2009.

Councilman Hanna --aye  
Councilman Collins-- aye  
Councilwoman Frederickson—aye  
Councilman Winfield--aye  
Councilman Farrar-aye  
Council President Budway --aye  
Councilman D'Agostino-aye

Motion passes.

During department reports, Town Treasurer Przybyla said that he would like to have some guidance on the firm to audit the Town. He explained that Bacon and Company had originally won a three year bid for the work. At the time we only accepted the bid for 1 year intervals. He said that now we are at the third year and would like to know if the Council wants to continue with them for the last year. He said that he feels this is a good idea because they are very familiar with our system. He said that he knows the Council can't award the bid this evening because it is not on the agenda, but he would like them to think about it and decide at the next Council meeting.

Motion made by Council Vice-President Collins, seconded by Councilman D'Agostino and voted to place and file all departmental reports

Councilman Hanna --aye  
Councilman Collins-- aye  
Councilwoman Frederickson—aye  
Councilman Winfield--aye  
Councilman Farrar-aye  
Council President Budway --aye  
Councilman D'Agostino-aye

Motion passes.

During audience participation Mary Beth Ouellette, 637 Elmdale Road said she wanted to congratulate Brenda Frederickson and David Hanna the two new Council members. She said she also wanted to congratulate Chucky Collins for being selected as Vice-President of the Council. She said that she came this evening to give the Council an update on the Scituate Health Care Alliance. She said that they have 12 new nurses working in Scituate every Tuesday and Thursday. Some of the programs they are running are pre and post natal training and child birth classes. She said that she is very

excited that they have started the first in the Country, data collection on newborns thru 5 years old preventive medicine.

Mrs. Ouellette said that she also wanted to state that she thought that the letter that the Council recently mailed out of the rescue services in Town was excellent. She said that she wanted to remind the Council that the Ambulance Corps are still ready, willing and able to provide rescue services to the town of Scituate on a completely volunteer basis. She said that the Council would just have to authorize for them to be placed back on the 911 run card.

Motion made by Councilman Winfield, seconded by Council Vice-President Collins and voted to approve the Tax Collector's additions in the amount of \$323.68.

Councilman Hanna --aye	Councilman Collins-- aye
Councilwoman Frederickson—aye	Councilman Winfield--aye
Councilman Farrar-aye	Council President Budway --aye
Councilman D'Agostino-aye	

Motion passes.

Motion made by Councilman Winfield, seconded by Council Vice-President Collins and vote to approve the Tax Assessor abatements in the amount of \$67.92 and additions of \$212.53.

Councilman Hanna --aye	Councilman Collins-- aye
Councilwoman Frederickson—aye	Councilman Winfield--aye
Councilman Farrar-aye	Council President Budway --aye
Councilman D'Agostino-aye	

Motion passes.

Motion made by Councilman Winfield, seconded by Council Vice-President Collins and voted to accept with regret the resignation of Joyce Costakos as an alternate member of the Board of Canvassers.

Councilman Hanna --aye	Councilman Collins-- aye
Councilwoman Frederickson—aye	Councilman Winfield--aye
Councilman Farrar-aye	Council President Budway --aye
Councilman D'Agostino-aye	

Motion passes.

Motion made by Councilman Winfield, seconded by Council Vice-President Collins and voted to appoint Chief Randall, David Provonsil, Steven Otto, Donald Campbell, Mark Ellis and Dennis Gaffney to Emergency Management Agency Ex-Offico members for a term expiring February 2010.

Councilman Hanna --aye	Councilman Collins-- aye
Councilwoman Frederickson—aye	Councilman Winfield--aye
Councilman Farrar-aye	Council President Budway --aye
Councilman D'Agostino-aye	

Motion passes.

Motion made by Councilman Winfield, seconded by Council Vice-President Collins and voted to appoint Brenda Frederickson and David Hanna Police Constables.

Councilman Hanna --aye  
Councilman Collins-- aye  
Councilwoman Frederickson—aye  
Councilman Winfield--aye  
Councilman Farrar-aye  
Council President Budway --aye  
Councilman D'Agostino-aye

Motion passes.

Motion made by Council Vice-President Collins, seconded by Councilman Hanna and voted to appoint John Winfield to the Board of Directors of the WB Community Health.

Councilman Hanna --aye  
Councilman Collins-- aye  
Councilwoman Frederickson—aye  
Councilman Winfield--aye  
Councilman Farrar-aye  
Council President Budway --aye  
Councilman D'Agostino-aye

Motion passes.

Motion made by Council Vice-President Collins, seconded by Councilman D'Agostino to appoint Kerry Ferri as a alternate to the Board of Canvassers for a term expiring March 2009.

Councilman Hanna --aye  
Councilman Collins-- aye  
Councilwoman Frederickson—aye  
Councilman Winfield--aye  
Councilman Farrar-aye  
Council President Budway --aye  
Councilman D'Agostino-aye

Motion passes.

Motion made by Councilman Farrar, seconded by Councilman Hanna and voted to appoint Council Vice-President Collins to the Human Resource Committee for a term expiring February 2010.

Councilman Hanna --aye  
Council Vice-President Collins-- aye  
Councilwoman Frederickson—aye  
Councilman Winfield--aye  
Councilman Farrar-aye  
Council President Budway --aye  
Councilman D'Agostino-aye

Motion passes.

Motion made by Council Vice-President Collins, seconded by Councilman Hanna and voted to appoint Councilman Farrar to the School Space Needs Committee for a term expiring February 2010.

Councilman Hanna --aye  
Councilman Collins-- aye  
Councilwoman Frederickson—aye  
Councilman Winfield--aye  
Councilman Farrar-aye  
Council President Budway --aye  
Councilman D'Agostino-aye

Motion passes.

Motion made by Council Vice-President Collins, seconded by Councilman D'Agostino and voted with Chief Randall's recommendation to renew the Private Investigators License for Allen Salisbury.

Councilman Hanna --aye  
Councilman Collins-- aye  
Councilwoman Frederickson—aye  
Councilman Winfield--aye

Councilman Farrar-aye

Council President Budway --aye

Councilman D'Agostino-aye

Motion passes.

Motion made by Councilman Farrar, seconded by Councilman Winfield and voted to reappointment the Human Resource Committee and the School Space Needs Committee for a term expiring February 2010. (list herewith)

Motion made by Council Vice-President Collins, seconded by Councilman D'Agostino and voted to table the discussion of the tax credit for the 100% disabled citizens.

Councilman Hanna --aye

Councilman Collins-- aye

Councilwoman Frederickson—aye

Councilman Winfield--aye

Councilman Farrar-aye

Council President Budway --aye

Councilman D'Agostino-aye

Motion passes.

Motion made by Councilman Winfield, seconded Council Vice-President Collins and voted to pay early expenses of \$180,498.70, regular Council expenses of \$307,239.44 and supplemental Council expenses of \$98,981.54 for a total of \$586,719.68.

Councilman Hanna --aye

Council Vice-President Collins-- aye

Councilwoman Frederickson—aye

Councilman Winfield--aye

Councilman Farrar-aye

Council President Budway --aye

Councilman D'Agostino-aye

Motion passes.

During Council remarks Councilman Winfield said that he wants to commend the Governor for his stance on health care reform, he feels that competition is good and will bring down the cost of health care.

Councilman Hanna said that the Economic Stimulus Committee met and made recommendations on projects that need to be done in Scituate to the State of Rhode Island.

Councilman Farrar said that the Recreation Director Search Committee met with Public Works and they have a game plan. He said that they are almost done with the job description and would like to have it on the next Town Council agenda for discussion and approval.

During State Legislative remarks Representative Michael Marcello thanked Town Solicitor D'Agostino for giving him all the information so he could submit the bill to allow the Town to change its fiscal year. Representative Marcello said that he submitted the bill yesterday to the House of Representatives. Representative Marcello also mentioned that he was able to procure seven laptop computers; he said that he is giving three to the Senior Center and the others to different organizations though out Town. Representative Marcello said that the budget continues to deteriorate and the outlook does not look good. He said that some reasons are shortfall on the revenue and over spending on the executive side among other things.

Council President Budway asked Representative Marcello if he has any indications about what will happen with the recommendation from the Governor to make it mandatory 25% co-pay on health insurance.

Representative Marcello said he is not sure if it will pass but knows it has been taken out of the Governor's supplemental budget. He also asked that he be informed when the Town applies for State grant monies, so that he can track the progress at the State level.

Motion made by Councilman D'Agostino, seconded by Council Vice-President Collins and voted by roll call to adjourn to closed session at 8:05 PM pursuant to RIGL 42-46-5(A) 2 pertaining to collective bargaining, and litigation-Public Works and Police Contracts and pursuant to R.I.G.L. 42-46-5 (A) 2-pertaining to collective bargaining and litigation concerning collective bargaining and organization efforts of some volunteers and to allow Town Clerk Long, Town Solicitor D'Agostino, Dale Langlais, Director of Public Works, Chief Randall and Town Treasurer Przybyla attend.

Councilman Hanna --aye	Council Vice-President Collins-- aye
Councilwoman Frederickson—aye	Councilman Winfield--aye
Councilman Farrar-aye	Council President Budway --aye
Councilman D'Agostino-aye	

Motion passes.

Reconvened at 8:21 PM.

No motions or votes were taken in closed session.

Motion made by Council Vice-President Collins, seconded by Councilman D'Agostino and voted to adjourn at 8:24 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.

Councilman Hanna --aye	Council Vice-President Collins-- aye
Councilwoman Frederickson—aye	Councilman Winfield--aye
Councilman Farrar-aye	Council President Budway --aye
Councilman D'Agostino-aye	

Motion passes.

Attest:

Margaret M. Long, Town Clerk

For complete discussion please refer to the audio tape.