

President Letterie calls meeting to order at 6:00 PM

ROLL CALL

Present: Councilor Honan, Councilor Fucillo, Councilor Munson, Councilor Belcher, Councilor DeMarco, Councilor Flockhart, Councilor Aiello, Vice President Ruggiero, President Letterie

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilor DeMarco

MOMENT OF SILENCE:

Judy Walsh, Maryanne Lucerto, Maureen Gill

MINUTES

Motion by Councilor Belcher to accept Minutes of April 5, 2022, as circulated
2nd by Councilor DeMarco
Passed Unanimously

GENERAL INFORMATION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

CITATIONS:

Jillian Dempsey-Boston Pride Captain-Team Winners of a 2nd Isobel Cup
Jenna Letterie-2022 NCAA Division III Women's National Hockey Championship

PUBLIC HEARING

NONE

CORRESPONDENCE

President Letterie reports correspondence from Mike DiMento about walkways at Ingleside Park and lighting.
President Letterie reports these will be completed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance Committee

Councilor Fucillo reports that the Finance Committee voted with a Positive recommendation
That Town Council declare as surplus a 1991 Boston Whaler 25-Guardian, thereby authorizing the Treasurer
Collector to post for sale through an approved auction site; or take any other action relative thereto

Rules & Ordinance

Vice President Ruggiero reports the committee discussed the Tree Ordinance and will table for further review

TOWN MANAGER REPORT

Interim Town Manager reports that (2) trees were taken down, without any authorization, in front of the Atlantis Marina where construction work is being continued. The tree warden immediately sent a cease and desists and they will either replace the trees or make a donation to the Tree Fund.

EB Newton Clock tower bid was rewarded and work will begin immediately.

Copper roof will not be replaced/cleaned as they will just turn green again,

MOU on Millers Field, still need guidance from the Town Council who will be taking primary control of field.

Public Open Access will begin after June. Also there will be about a Million Dollar bill for the replacement of the turf.

May 21, 2022, Spring Fair, Ingleside, Bike Rodeo

Police Explorer's

Blue closure still on diversion...in a couple for weeks Orient Heights into Revere will begin

Tunnel Closure is, full closure May 2023 to Sept. 2023...Asked state to include WPD, WFD and Action Ambulance to be included in any meetings so we are ready for any safety Issue

Ingleside Park swing hardware is still back ordered but hopefully will be soon

Autism Fund Raiser was a success, Winthrop Police Dept. and Doug Flutie Foundation. Close to \$7000 has been raised. \$5000 will go to the Doug Flutie Foundation and \$2000 to a local family trying to buy a safety bed for their special needs child. Still selling T-shirts and accepting donations.

Interim Town Manager submits the FY23 Budget and thanks Robert Powers and Stephen Cirillo for their help with this budget.

Council President thanks former Councilor Ferrino for this help with the E.B Newton Clock tower and his knowledge of what needed work on.

Phase I of the pavement will begin tomorrow in the CBD. Panels are being replaced prior. Should be completed by May 28, 2022

Council President would like to add an Evergreen or a Blue Spruce for French Sq., mainly so we can continue our Holiday Festivities. A change order will be needed sooner than later.

FY23 Budget has been submitted, it is 45 days from now. There will be a Special Town Council Meeting on May 31, 2022, for the sole purpose of discussing the FY 23 budget and requesting the Finance Commission to have their recommendation report finalized by May 26, 2022.

Councilor Aiello requests a reminder graphic of the Landscaping that was voted on for the CBD.

Understands there is a Ferry Funding for this year. Mass DOT has agreed, by email, no contracts yet, to fund last year's deficit 80,000 and will fund \$179,000 for this year and getting Quincy on board for their \$160,000; this should put us to full activation of the Ferry. Our goal is hoping to have running by May 15th. Still need Captains and if anyone interested please get in touch with our Human Resource Dept. Budget is reserved for boat while being worked on in Gloucester...Councilor Aiello would like to shed some light on our Ferry and thank the Interim Town Manager and Town Council President for their hard work.

Councilor Aiello reports on a Grant for Climate Control that is available to Winthrop which our planner Rachel Kelly is aware of and will be attending a Town Council Meeting for discussion.

Councilor Aiello, reports with the help of Councilor Honan that the rink has not been paying a water bill since 2019. Councilor Honan has requested confirmation on this for the next meeting. He is interested in how long this has been happening and how much longer it might continue.

Interim Town Manager states he has abated town buildings himself as it has been historical practice of Town Managers. The rink is neither metered nor piped directly, which is a problem as for how much rink was and school was. This is being reviewed with getting them a separate meter. Most all are abated except for a few buildings.

Councilor Ruggiero would like to ask the Tree Warden to be present with the discussion of the tree requested in French Sq.

Councilor Ruggiero also requests moving forward with the E.B Newton, if future work that is needed for the building could be discussed and reviewed along with an estimate of work done.

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

Discussed accreditation and NEASC reported back to the schools and we are fully accredited, fantastic for town. The Quiz Bowl, the Winthrop Middle School participated and won!

OLD BUSINESS

Motion by the Finance Committee with a positive recommendation That Town Council declare as surplus a 1991 Boston Whaler 25-Guardian, thereby authorizing the Treasurer Collector to post for sale through an approved auction site.

Passed Unanimously

NEW BUSINESS

Motion by Councilor Fucillo to re-appoint Interim Town Manager Delehanty to May 22, 2022

2nd by Councilor Belcher

Passed Unanimously

Town Council President introduces our new Town Manager Tony Marino.

Motion by Councilor Belcher to accept the nomination of the following appointments made by the Town Council President to the Scholarship Committee for terms to expire June 30, 2025.

Cindy Silva-Vanessa Flavin, Katelyn Zelaya and Wendy Millar Page

2nd by Councilor DeMarco

Passed Unanimously

Motion by Councilor DeMarco to accept the appointment made by the Town Council President of Nellie Kurtz to the Cultural Council for terms to expire June 30, 2025.

2nd by Councilor Belcher

Passed Unanimously

Motion by Councilor Belcher to accept the appointment made by the Town Council President of Terry Delehanty to the Retirement Board for terms to expire June 30, 2025.

2nd by Councilor Fucillo

Passed Unanimously

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

PUBLIC RELATIONS/UPCOMING EVENTS

April 27, 2022 at 6:00 pm- Charter and Ordinance Review Public Meeting

May 2, 2022 Tennis Court Re-dedication to Wallace B. McClean

May 7, 2022 11:00am-We are the WINARC-Fundraiser at Miller Field

May 21, 2022 11-3PM Parks and Rec Spring Fling

June 4, 2022 Rabies Clinic 10-12pm. Winthrop Auditorium Front Lobby

****All Doges Must Be Licenses before vaccination. Town Clerks Office will have a table for licensing****

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn by Councilor Belcher to adjourn at 6:43PM

2nd by Councilor DeMarco

Passed Unanimously

Public Documents used in the meeting are available at Town Managers Office.

Documents Used in this Meeting: Handwritten Notes / Committee Openings Documents Roll Call Log

Written Motions / Verbal Motion

Respectfully submitted

Denise Quist

Town Clerk

Council Clerk