

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

June 19, 2014



quorum being duly present, Council President Jessica Rapp Grassetti called the July 17, 2014, Town Council meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Hearing Room of Town Hall, 367 Main St., Hyannis, MA.

An announcement was made by President Rapp Grassetti regarding the meeting being televised live and questioning if anyone was actively taping the session to please make their presence known. This session is recorded and broadcast on Channel 18.

PRESENT: Ann Canedy, Frederick Chirigotis, James Crocker, Jr., (7:05) William Crocker, Jr., Jennifer Cullum, Jessica Rapp Grassetti, Paul Hebert, John Norman, Eric Steinhilber, James Tinsley, Jr., Philip Wallace. **ABSENT**: Sara Cushing and Debra Dagwan.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Rapp Grassetti, followed by a Moment of Silence for the Richard Scudder family and the Richard Clark family.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Elizabeth Wharf Bain, of Hyannis Main Street Business Improvement District, spoke about the Hyannis Day Center Collation Group receiving \$200,000 in funding from the State for the Day Center at the Noah Shelter. She mentioned the State was also going to increase their funding to Noah based on its evolving model regarding their clients and the community at large.

COUNCIL RESPONSE TO PUBLIC COMMENT:

Councilor Cullum thanked Ms. Bain for updating Council and invited her to continue updating Council on these projects as it was a shared interest of Council.

Councilor Paul Hebert congratulated and thanked Ms. Bain on her fine work which included gathering all the diverse groups together to form a collation. He added the work was just beginning.

President Rapp Grassetti reordered the agenda taking the Report of the Human Services Committee by Chair Scott Fitzgerald before the Y Achievers Program by the YMCA Cape Cod Representative Stacie Peugh.

Report of the Human Services Committee

Scott Fitzgerald, Chairman gave a presentation highlighting the issues and recent Barnstable incidents regarding substance abuse. He felt there was a need for a one stop resource center. He mentioned four points for achieving a successful one stop resource center which were: to continue recommending an online one stop resource center; to promote community conversation; support and expand the Youth Commission and attain Council support for the YMCA's Y-Achievers program.

Councilor Discussion and Comment:

What were the hard numbers regarding the 44 percent increase from last year for addicted babies at the Cape Cod Community hospital? The hard number was 62 babies born addicted last year at the hospital. Council members hoped the surrounding towns would collaborate to increase awareness of this issue and continue to discuss all addiction related issues.

The Y Achievers Program

Stacie Peugh, YMCA Cape Cod Representative spoke about the growing need for teen services. She explained 13.1 percent of Barnstable citizen's were living below the poverty level. She felt the Y Achievers was a great program to reach these at risk children and help them to a better life through higher education and ultimately better paying jobs.

Councilor Discussion and Comment:

Council discussed how to engage other groups to help these children. It was suggested the group contact Bob Smith as he had a successful fatherhood group. Council supported the consistency of the Town and the YMCA working together. It was suggested forming focus groups to help identify ways to raise seed money for the program. What is the projected 2015 budget? It is \$97,000 for 13 students and eventually with 30 students the cost will be \$109,000.

Presentation by Hyannis Armory Lessee

David Lawler, Esq., representing the applicant, discussed the restoration and improvement ideas for the armory building. He then introduced Chad Doe, developer for the project. He explained his work relationship with Barry Clifford over the last two years regarding this project. What was the target date for opening? It was prior to Memorial Day. Mr. Doe mentioned there was going to be a Kennedy room in the front of the museum which would be open to the public at no charge. Mr. Doe added the artifacts in this museum were from shipwrecks of Kidd, Balckbeard and the Great Mohammad as well as Whydah. What was the cost to attendees \$10 for children and \$15 for adults. Council wanted the armory to be able to pursue National Registry regardless of the revisions. Mr. Lawler felt the applicants changes were not significant and would not interfere with obtaining National Registry status. Mr. Ellis discussed the rent lease timetable. Council discussed parking for the armory. Mr. Lawler mentioned there were 46 parking spaces available outside the armory with offsite parking and trolley parking as well. He felt their peak business times were weekends and after work hours on weeknights.

Upon a motion that was duly made and seconded it was

RESOLVED: That the Town Council ratifies the lease concluded by the Town Manager pursuant to Section 3 of Chapter 40 of the General Laws of the building and associated land known as the Hyannis Armory for a term of twenty-five (25) years to 225 South Street, LLC to operate a museum consisting of an archeological exhibit and education center as recommended by the RFP committee. **VOTE: Passes Unanimous**

ACT ON MINUTES : (Including Executive Session) Upon a motion duly made and seconded it was voted to approve the minutes of the June 19, 2014 meeting as written.

VOTE: Passes Unanimous

Chair Nancy Richards – Report of the Cable Advisory Committee

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

2014-186A Reappointments to a board/committee/commission: Shellfish Committee, Albert Surprenant (Second reading) INTRO: 06/19/14, 07/17/14

Councilor Discussion and Comment:

A motion was made and duly seconded to move the amended motion (below) **VOTE:**

2015-001 Acceptance of a gift from the SMILE Mass (Small Miracles in Life Exist) organization for six (6) beach wheelchairs for Hamblin's; Hathaway; Keyes (Sea Street); Kalmus; Sandy Neck; and Wequaquet Beaches **(May be acted upon)**

Councilor Discussion and Comment:

A motion was made and duly seconded to move the amended motion (below) **VOTE:**

2015-002 Acceptance of a \$5,090.79 gift from the Friends of the Council of Aging to the Senior Center for the purposes of funding transportation services (a part-time van driver) for senior citizens at the Senior Center **(May be acted upon)**

Councilor Discussion and Comment:

A motion was made and duly seconded to move the amended motion (below) **VOTE:**

2015-003 Acceptance of a \$62,000 grant from Massachusetts Preservation Projects Fund for repairs to the U.S. Custom House, in Barnstable, MA **(May be acted upon)**

Councilor Discussion and Comment:

A motion was made and duly seconded to move the amended motion (below) **VOTE:**

2015-004 Ratification of a twenty-five (25) year lease of the Hyannis Armory between the Town of Barnstable and 225 South Street, LLC **(May be acted)**

Councilor Discussion and Comment:

A motion was made and duly seconded to move the amended motion (below) **VOTE:**

TOWN MANAGER COMMUNICATIONS

ADJOURNMENT

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: August 7, 2014