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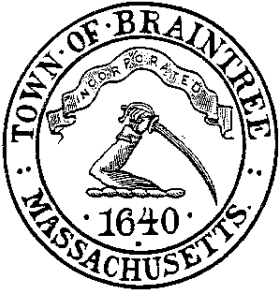
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**Tuesday, September 18, 2018**

**Starting Time – 6:30p.m.**

**Cahill Auditorium, Town Hall**

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2. Roll Call
3. Approval of Minutes
  - September 5, 2018
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# MINUTES

## September 5, 2018

A meeting of the Committee of Ways & Means was held in the Johnson Chambers, Braintree Town Hall, on Wednesday, September 5, 2018 at 6:45p.m.

Councilor Bowes was in the Chair.

Shannon Hume, Vice-Chairman conducted the roll call.

Present: Thomas Bowes, Chairman  
Shannon Hume, Vice-Chairman  
Stephen O'Brien, Member  
Thomas Whalen, Member

Not Present Timothy Carey, Member arrived @6:50pm

Also Present: Joe Reynolds, Chief of Staff  
Nicole Taub, Town Solicitor  
Christopher Griffin, Assistant to the Mayor  
Jean Healey, Friends of Braintree Military flag  
Susan Cimino, Clerk of the Council arrived @6:50pm

The meeting was opened with the pledge of allegiance to the flag followed by a moment of silence for all those serving in our armed services, past and present.

### Approval of Minutes

- September 5, 2018

**Motion:** by Councilor Hume to Approve Minutes of September 5, 2018

**Second:** by Councilor Whalen

**Vote:** For (3 – Bowes, Hume, Whalen), Against (0), Absent (1-Carey), Abstain (1 – O'Brien)

### New Business

- 18 051 Mayor: Create Revolving Account: Friends of Braintree Military or take up any action relative thereto

Councilor Bowes, Chairman for Committee of Ways & Means read the memo from the Mayor's office. Some issues were discussed on what type of account this would be and if Town Council would need to approve each transaction. Chief of Staff, Joe Reynolds stated he will get the answers and return to the Committee at their next meeting.

Motion by Councilor O'Brien to TABLE Order 18 051.

That the Veterans Services Office, in accordance with the provisions of MGL Chapter 44, Section 53A and Section 3.100.110 of the Town General Ordinances, be authorized to establish a gift account; to accept grants, gifts, or bequests of funds that are to be placed in said account; and to expend such funds at its discretion, for the purpose of purchasing and distributing Town of Braintree flags as part of the "Friends of Braintree Military" program, and for any purposes associated with the administration and promotion of said program. As provided by Section 3.100.110, the Veterans Services Office may expend up to \$5,000 annually from the funds in this gift account for these purposes, and any expenditure in excess of \$5,000 annually shall require the prior approval of the Mayor.

**Motion:** by Councilor O'Brien to TABLE Order 18 051

**Second:** by Councilor Hume

**Vote:** For (5 – Bowes, Carey, Hume, O'Brien, Whalen), Against (0), Absent (0), Abstain (0)

- 18 053 Mayor: Appointment – Town Solicitor – Nicole Taub or take up any action relative thereto  
Councilor Bowes, Chairman for Committee of Ways & Means welcomed the new Town Solicitor.

Motion read by Councilor Hume:

To approve the appointment of Nicole Taub as Town Solicitor, in accordance with section 3-3 of the Braintree Town Charter.

**Motion:** by Councilor Hume to recommend favorable action to the full Council on Order 18 053

**Second:** by Councilor O'Brien

**Vote:** For (5 – Bowes, Carey, Hume, O'Brien, Whalen), Against (0), Absent (0), Abstain (0)

### **Old Business**

- None

It was unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 7:03p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan M. Cimino,  
Clerk of the Council

## **Documents provided for Meeting**

- Minutes for August 14, 2018
- 18 051 Mayor: Create Revolving Account: Friends of Braintree Military or take up any action relative thereto
- 18 053 Mayor: Appointment – Town Solicitor – Nicole Taub or take up any action relative thereto

#18-051

Revised



Office of the Mayor  
One JFK Memorial Drive  
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Joseph C. Sullivan  
Mayor

781-794-8100

August 28, 2018

To: Charles B. Ryan, Town Council President

From: Joseph C. Sullivan, Mayor

JCS

Re: Establishment of Revolving Account for the Friends of Braintree Military

Cc: Town Clerk  
Clerk of the Council  
Town Councilors  
Edward J. Spellman, Director of Municipal Finance  
Cynthia Harris, Veterans Agent  
Mrs. Jean B. Healey

RECEIVED TOWN CLERK  
BRAintree, MA  
2018 AUG 28 PM 3:39

As the Council is aware a group of Braintree residents, with the support of my office and the office of Veterans services has for some time been presenting servicepersons from Braintree and their families with commemorative Town of Braintree flags to serve as a reminder of our town's support of and gratitude to them for their service to our country. I particularly want to thank Mrs. Jean Healey and former Town Council President Leland Dingee for their stewardship of this "Friends of Braintree Military" program.

Over the past few weeks my office has been approached by the members of this committee with the request that the Town - through the office of Veterans Agent Harris - incorporate the management of this program as part of our Veterans' Services Program(s). I am in agreement with this proposal.

This program is established as a "Revolving Fund." It is financially supported by private donations and will remain that way. This funding provides for the purchase of our "Braintree Flags" that we gift to families who have loved ones serving our nation to keep us safe with an additional flag sent to the service person as a reminder that our town supports their service. Having this account under the supervision of our Veterans Agent, Cynthia Harris, is the appropriate step to take at this time.

To that end I submit the following motion for the council's review:

**Motion:** That the Veterans Services Office, in accordance with the provisions of MGL Chapter 44, Section 53A and Section 3.100.110 of the Town General Ordinances, be authorized to establish a gift account; to accept grants, gifts, or bequests of funds that are to be placed in said account; and to expend such funds at its discretion, for the purpose of purchasing and distributing Town of Braintree flags as part of the "Friends of Braintree Military" program, and for any purposes associated with the administration and promotion of said program. As provided by Section 3.100.110, the Veterans Services Office may expend up to \$5,000 annually from the funds in this gift account for these purposes, and any expenditure in excess of \$5,000 annually shall require the prior approval of the Mayor.

Your favorable review of this matter is appreciated.