

Sean E. Powers  
President  
At Large

Shannon L. Hume  
At Large

CHARLES C. Kokoros  
District 1

Thomas W. Whalen  
District 2

Thomas M. Bowes  
District 3



Charles B. Ryan  
Vice President  
At Large

Stephen C. O'Brien  
District 4

David M. Ringius, Jr.  
District 5

Timothy P. Carey  
District 6

## OFFICE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL

January 2, 2018

### MINUTES

A meeting of the Town Council was held in the Cahill Auditorium, Braintree Town Hall, on Tuesday, January 2, 2018 beginning at 6:00p.m.

Council President Powers was in the chair.

#### **OATH OF OFFICE**

18 001: Council President: Oath of Office

Mayor Sullivan administered the oath of office to the nine members of the Braintree Town Council and the recently elected members of the School Committee, Housing Authority, Electric Light Board and Thayer Library Trustees.

#### **BRAINTREE TOWN COUNCIL**

##### **Councilor-At-Large**

Sean E. Powers  
Charles B. Ryan  
Shannon L. Hume

##### **District Councilors**

1 – Charles C. Kokoros  
2 – Thomas W. Whalen  
3 – Thomas M. Bowes  
4 – Stephen C. O'Brien  
5 – David M. Ringius, Jr.  
6 – Timothy P. Carey

##### **HOUSING AUTHORITY**

Albion R. Fletcher, Jr.  
John M. Kerrigan

##### **ELECTRIC LIGHT BOARD**

James P. Regan  
Thomas J. Reynolds

##### **TRUSTEES – THAYER LIBRARY**

Jeffrey J. Kunz  
Annette M. McLaughlin  
Margaret Ann Morton  
Edith H. Weinberg

##### **BRAINTREE SCHOOL COMMITTEE**

Jennifer A. Dolan  
Cyril A. Chafe  
George C. Kokoros

The Clerk of the Council conducted the roll call.

Present: Sean Powers, President  
Charles Ryan, Vice President  
Shannon Hume  
Charles Kokoros  
Thomas W. Whalen  
Thomas Bowes  
Stephen C. O'Brien  
David M. Ringius, Jr.  
Timothy P. Carey

Others: Joseph C. Sullivan, Mayor  
Joe Reynolds, Chief of Staff  
Robert Fowkes, Congressman Lynch Representative  
Mark Cusack, State Representative  
John Keenan, Senator  
Walter Timilty, Senator  
Alejandro Alves, Assistant to Senators  
Paul Shastany, Chief of Police  
Frank Hackett, School Superintendent  
Various School Committee Members  
Jennifer A. Dolan, School Committee Members  
Cyril A. Chafe, School Committee Members  
George C. Kokoros, School Committee Members  
Annette M. McLaughlin, Thayer Library Trustee  
Margaret Ann Morton, Thayer Library Trustee  
Edith H. Weinberg, Thayer Library Trustee  
Albion R. Fletcher, Jr., Housing Authority  
John M. Kerrigan, Housing Authority  
Thomas J. Reynolds, Electric Light Board  
James M. Casey, Town Clerk  
Debra Starr, Assistant Town Clerk  
Jane D'Auria, Town Clerk's office  
Eric Cocca, Town Clerk's office  
Color Guards  
Father Clifford

Mayor Joseph Sullivan, Senator Keenan, Senator Timilty, and Representative Cusack expressed best wishes to all members of the Town Council, School Committee, Housing Authority, Electric Light Board and Thayer Library Trustees. Father Clifford delivered a blessing and read psalm 67.

Council President Sean Powers thanked many elected officials and staff members for their support during his term as Council President. He stated thank you to all my colleagues. It was an honor serving as Council President.

## **Reorganization of Town Council**

At this time James M. Casey, Town Clerk, asked for a motion to open up nominations for Council President. A motion was made by Councilor Powers and seconded by Councilor Bowes. The Clerk of the Council conducted a roll call vote with all members voting in the affirmative.

Clerk Casey asked for nominations for President. Councilor Kokoros nominated Councilor Ryan. Nomination was seconded by Councilor Bowes. Clerk Casey asked Councilor Ryan if he would accept the nomination. Councilor Ryan responded "yes". Clerk Casey asked if there were any other nominations. There were no other nominations presented.

Clerk Casey asked for a motion to close nominations for Council President. A motion was made by Councilor Powers and seconded by Councilor Bowes. The Clerk of the Council conducted a roll call vote with all members voting in the affirmative.

On a motion by Councilor Powers and seconded by Councilor Bowes to accept by acclamation the nomination of Councilor Ryan for President. The Clerk of the Council conducted a roll call vote with 8 members voting in the affirmative. One member (O'Brien) voting "Nay".

Councilor Ryan, newly elected Council President, took over the Chair. Town Clerk, Casey administered the oath of office to the newly elected Council President.

Congratulations to the new Council President Charles B. Ryan. Council President Ryan asked for a motion to open up nominations for Council Vice-President. A motion was made by Councilor Powers and seconded by Councilor Bowes. The Clerk of the Council conducted a roll call vote with all members voting in the affirmative.

Council President Ryan asked for nominations for Vice-President. Councilor Powers nominated Councilor Kokoros. Council President Ryan asked Councilor Kokoros if he would accept the nomination. Councilor Kokoros responded "yes". Council President Ryan asked if there were any other nominations. There were no other nominations presented.

Council President Ryan asked for a motion to close nominations for Council Vice-President. A motion was made by Councilor Powers and seconded by Councilor Bowes. The Clerk of the Council conducted a roll call vote with all members voting in the affirmative.

On a motion by Councilor Powers and seconded by Councilor Bowes to accept by acclamation the nomination of Councilor Ryan for President. The Clerk of the Council conducted a roll call vote with all members voting in the affirmative. Council President Ryan declared Councilor Charles Kokoros as Vice-President. Town Clerk, Casey administered the oath of office to the newly elected Council Vice-President.

### **Topics the Chair does not reasonably anticipate will be discussed**

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Next Council Meetings: **Tuesday, January 16, 2018 @ 7:30pm**

### **ADJOURNMENT**

It was unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 7:00p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Susan M. Cimino, Clerk of the Council