

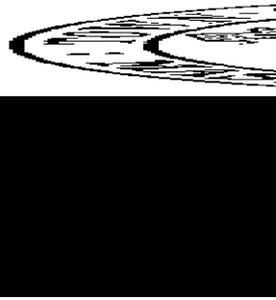
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OFFICE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL

April 24, 2012

MINUTES

A meeting of the Town Council was held in the Horace T. Cahill Auditorium, Braintree Town Hall, on Tuesday, April 24, 2012 beginning at 7:30p.m.

Council President Kokoros was in the chair.

The Clerk of the Council conducted the roll call.

Present: Charles Kokoros, President
Thomas Bowes, Vice President
Leland Dingee
Sean Powers
Charles B. Ryan
John C. Mullaney
Henry N. Joyce
Paul Dan Clifford

Not Present: Ronald DeNapoli

Others: Shannon Hume, Chairman School Committee
Thomas Devin, School Committee
Peter Kurzberg, Superintendent of Schools
Peter Nagle, NationalGrid Representative
Dennis Regan, NationalGrid Representative

CORRESPONDENCE

- 019 12 – Council President: Braintree High School Sport Recognition

Council Members presented recognition certificates to various members of Braintree High School sport programs.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 011 12 – Council President: Friends of John McHugh
- 013 12 – Councilor Joyce: Recreation Department – Upcoming Events
- 016 12 – Council President: Household Hazardous Drop-off Day
- 020 12 – Council President: Grove Manor Nursing Home

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion: by Councilor Bowes to approve April 3, 2012 minutes

Second: by Councilor Ryan

Vote: For (8), Against (0), Absent (1-DeNapoli)

CITIZEN CONCERNS/COUNCIL RESPONSE

None

OLD BUSINESS

Committee on Public Works

- 12 011 NationalGrid: Petition – Quincy Avenue

Committee of Public Works Chairman Ryan read into the records the scope of the petition as submitted as well as staff recommendations and the Committee recommendations.

DPW Staff recommends that only the 170 feet Braintree section of Quincy Avenue at the northerly limit of the Braintree–Weymouth Landing PWED project, to the bridge be approved with our “standard” repair specifications, with a final pavement being maintained flush with the surrounding pavement, and completion this month. Staff explained the Town’s section is currently under construction as part of the Braintree-Weymouth Landing PWED project. It is essential that this work be completed this month so as not to delay our roadway / sidewalk contractor.

It is the recommendation of the DPW Staff that the 3,100 foot section, from the bridge to the Quincy line, not be approved. Agreement on this part of the petition was not reached in the DPW meeting as National Grid was unable to commit to milling and overlaying of the roadway in their work area sufficient to restore the road to its current excellent condition. They were certain that

they could not commit to full-width mill and overlay of Quincy Avenue, but were less adamant that it could not be similarly treated curb-to-crown (the centerline of the roadway.) It would be our recommendation to NOT approve this part of the petition without National Grid's commitment to mill and overlay Quincy Avenue within their work area either curb-to-curb or curb-to-crown (after a suitable period to ensure that trench settlement is substantially completed), to replace the thermoplastic pavement markings effected by their work, and to replace any curbs and sidewalks affected by the installation of the gas main. These would be in addition to any requirements imposed by the MassDOT in its permit, if one is issued. It was noted by the DPW Staff that the Quincy Avenue route is not the only way to provide the gas service to the property in Quincy, it is just the one National Grid selected.

Councilor Ryan noted that the road surface on Quincy Avenue was replaced approximately two years ago and is in excellent condition. He would not agree to approve the 3,100 foot section of the petition until agreement is reached to resurface the roadway. Councilor Powers concurred with Councilor Ryan.

Councilor Ryan made a motion to separate the petition into two sections with section 12 011(A) reading To install and maintain approximately 170 feet, more or less of 12 inch gas main in Quincy Avenue, Braintree. From the existing 12 inch gas main at House #42-#44 Northerly to the existing 12 inch gas main at bridge. And, recommended favorable action on petition 12 011(A), to include staff recommendations, to the Council.

Motion: by Councilor Ryan for favorable action with staff recommendations on #12 011(A)

Second: by Councilor Bowes

Vote: For (8), Against (0), Absent (1-DeNapoli)

Councilor Ryan made a motion to table the second part of the petitions 12 011 (B) which includes the 3,100 foot section from the bridge to the Quincy line to allow discussion on replacing the road surface to continue.

Motion: by Councilor Ryan to table #12 011(B)

Second: by Councilor Bowes

Vote: For (8), Against (0), Absent (1-DeNapoli)

- **12 012 NationalGrid: Petition – Weymouth Landing**

Committee of Public Works Chairman Ryan read into the records the scope of the petition as submitted as well as staff recommendations.

DPW Staff recommends Commercial Street at the Braintree – Weymouth Line, 215 feet northerly into Braintree and also extending over to Brookside Road be approved with our “standard” repair specifications, with a final pavement being maintained flush with the surrounding pavement, and completion this month. The area is currently under construction as

part of the Braintree-Weymouth Landing PWED project. It is essential that this work be completed this month so as not to delay our roadway / sidewalk contractor.

Chairman Ryan asked NationalGrid Representatives if the project could be completed by the end of the month. Peter Nagle noted that the end of April is only a week away and the project could be completed by the middle of May. The would coordinate with the DPW Staff and PWED Construction Company work to complete the gas line replacement in a timely manner.

Councilor Powers made a motion to recommend favorable action with staff recommendations.

Motion: by Councilor Ryan for favorable action with staff recommendations on #12 012

Second: by Councilor Bowes

Vote: For (8), Against (0), Absent (1-DeNapoli)

Committee on Ways & Means

- 12 010 Mayor: Community Preservation Fund – Supplemental Appropriation for All Souls Church
(Public Hearing)

Motion: by Councilor Bowes to open public hearing

Second: by Councilor Ryan

Vote: For (8), Against (0), Absent (1-DeNapoli)

Councilor Clifford, Chairman of the Committee on Ways & Means reported that the Committee has recommended to table Order 12 010 until May 1, 2012 to allow the Community Preservation Committee to present to the Committee a financial summary of the project.

Motion: by Councilor Clifford to continue public hearing until May 1, 2012.

Second: by Councilor Bowes

Vote: For (8), Against (0), Absent (1-DeNapoli)

NEW BUSINESS

Refer to the Committee on Ways & Means

- 12 013 Mayor: Prior Fiscal Year Unpaid Bills – DPW Water Department/Highway/Police

Motion: by Councilor Bowes to refer Orders 12 013 to committee

Second: by Councilor Ryan

Vote: For (8), Against (0), Absent (1-DeNapoli)

Refer to the Committee on Ordinance & Rules

- 12 009 Scott Palmer: Rezone of 7-11 Independence Avenue

Motion: by Councilor Bowes to refer Orders 12 009 to committee

Second: by Councilor Ryan

Vote: For (8), Against (0), Absent (1-DeNapoli)

ADJOURNMENT

It was unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 8:42p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
James M. Casey
Clerk of the Council

Documents provided for Meeting

- April 3, 2012 Minutes
- 12 010 Mayor: Community Preservation Fund – Supplemental Appropriation for All Souls Church
- 12 011 NationalGrid: Petition – Quincy Avenue
- 12 012 NationalGrid: Petition – Weymouth Landing
- 12 013 Mayor: Prior Fiscal Year Unpaid Bills – DPW Water Department/Highway/Police
- 12 009 Scott Palmer: Rezone of 7-11 Independence Avenue