

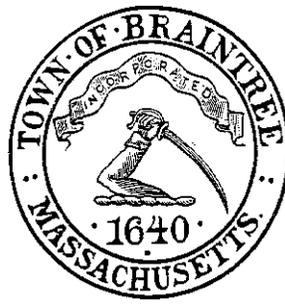
Thomas M. Bowes  
President  
District 3

Shannon L. Hume  
At Large

CHARLES B. Ryan  
At Large

CHARLES C. Kokoros  
District 1

JOHN C. MULLANEY  
District 2



Sean E. Powers  
Vice President  
At Large

Stephen C. O'Brien  
District 4

Michael J. Owens  
District 5

PAUL "DAN" CLIFFORD  
District 6

## OFFICE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL

January 4, 2016

### MINUTES

A meeting of the Town Council was held in the Cahill Auditorium, Braintree Town Hall, on Monday, January 4, 2016 beginning at 7:40p.m.

Council President Bowes was in the chair.

#### **OATH OF OFFICE**

16 001: Council President: Oath of Office

Mayor Sullivan administered the oath of office to the nine members of the Braintree Town Council and the three recently elected members of the School Committee.

#### **BRAINTREE TOWN COUNCIL**

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

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

##### **District Councilors**

1 – Charles C. Kokoros  
2 – John C. Mullaney  
3 – Thomas M. Bowes  
4 – Stephen C. O'Brien  
5 – Michael J. Owens  
6 – Paul Dan Clifford

#### **SCHOOL COMMITTEE**

##### **School Committee**

Lisa Heger.  
Thomas Devin  
Kate N. Naughton

Mayor Joseph Sullivan and Congressman Stephen Lynch expressed best wishes to all members of the Council and School Committee.

The Clerk of the Council conducted the roll call.

Present: Thomas Bowes, President  
Sean Powers, Vice President  
Paul Dan Clifford  
Shannon Hume  
Charles Kokoros  
John Mullaney  
Charles Ryan  
Stephen O'Brien  
Michael Owens

Others: Joseph Sullivan, Mayor  
Stephen Lynch, Congressman 8<sup>th</sup> District  
Mark Cusack, State Representative  
Frank Hackett, School Superintendent  
Various School Committee Members  
James M. Casey, Town Clerk  
Debra Starr, Assistant Town Clerk

Council President Thomas Bowes thanked many elected officials and staff members for their support during his term 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 Kokoros and seconded by Councilor Ryan. 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 Powers. Nomination was seconded by Councilor Ryan. Clerk Powers asked Councilor Powers if he would accept the nomination. Councilor Powers responded "yes". Clerk Casey asked if there were any other nominations. There were no other nominations presented.

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

On a motion by Councilor Kokoros and seconded by Councilor Ryan to accept by acclamation the nomination of Councilor Powers for President. The Clerk of the Council conducted a roll call vote with all members voting in the affirmative.

Councilor Powers, newly elected Council President, took over the Chair.

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

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

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

Council President Powers informed members that he would ask for a vote for the first person nominated and then the second person nominated only if the first person did not receive at least five votes. Council President Powers asked for a vote Roll Call by the Clerk of the Council. Votes were as follows: Yea for Councilor Bowes, Nah for Councilor Hume, Yea for Councilor Ryan, Yea for Councilor Kokoros, Yea for Councilor Mullaney, Yea for Councilor Powers, Nah for Councilor O'Brien, Yea for Councilor Owens, Nah for Councilor Clifford. Council President Powers declared Councilor Charles Ryan as Vice-President.

Councilor Clifford stated he hopes there is a lay out and the Council works out an agenda for the coming years and have the Council Vice President play a more active role.

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

#### **UPCOMING MEETINGS:**

Next Council Meeting - **TUESDAY, JANUARY 5, 2016@ 7:30pm**

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

It was unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 8:08p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Susan M. Cimino  
Clerk of the Council