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## OFFICE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL

# MINUTES

May 1, 2008

A meeting of the Town Council was held in the Johnson Memorial Chambers, Braintree Town Hall, on Thursday, May 1, at 7:30 p.m.

Council President was in the Chair.

Clerk of the Council, James Casey, conducted the roll call.

Present:

- Leland A. Dingee, President
- Charles B. Ryan, Vice-President
- Harold J. Randolph
- Charles C. Kokoros
- John C. Mullaney
- Thomas M. Bowes
- Paul Dan Clifford
- Ronald E. DeNapoli
- Henry N. Joyce

Also Present:

- Joseph C. Sullivan, Mayor
- Peter Morin, Chief of Staff
- Carolyn Murray, Counsel
- Members of the Public

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

Council President Dingee informs the audience that under Section 6-3 of the Braintree Charter, the mayor shall submit to the town council a proposed operating budget for the ensuing fiscal year with an accompanying budget message not later than 60 days before the start of the town's fiscal year. After the Mayor completes his presentation, a motion will be made to accept the proposed budget and refer it to the Committee of Ways & Means. Further, as stipulated under Section 6-6 of the Charter, the Council will schedule a public hearing to enable the voters of Braintree to be as fully informed as possible on the budget; with the public hearing being held in the form of a town meeting.

Mayor Joseph C. Sullivan introduced members of his staff and notified the public that the budget document will be available on-line by Monday, May 5, 2008. The budget proposal includes the impacts of a reorganization of government as outlined in the charter, with some layoffs occurring prior to the end of the current fiscal year. The Mayor highlighted key components of his budget and reorganization plans.

Mayor Sullivan reports shortly he will issue an executive order that will prohibit any expenditure greater than \$250 dollars without his approval.

At 8:06 p.m., Mayor Sullivan turns the meeting back to Council President Dingee who comments that the budget proposal and accompanying reorganization plan is the most important item before the council.

**Motion:** By Council Vice-President Ryan to refer the Mayor's FY09 budget and reorganization proposals to the Ways & Means Committee.

**Second:** By Councilor Randolph

**Vote:** Unanimous

### **ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion:** By Council Vice-President Ryan to adjourn the meeting at 8:08 p.m.

**Second:** By Councilor Randolph

**Vote:** Unanimous

Respectfully submitted,

James M. Casey

Clerk of the Council

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