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OFFICE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES

May 12, 2008

A meeting of the Town Council was held in the Johnson Memorial Chambers, Braintree Town Hall, on Monday, May 12, at 6:45 p.m.

Council President Dingee 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
- John C. Mullaney
- Thomas M. Bowes
- Paul Dan Clifford (arrived at 6:52 p.m.)
- Henry N. Joyce

Absent:

- Charles C. Kokoros
- Ronald E. DeNapoli

Also Present:

- Peter Morin, Chief of Staff
- Carolyn Murray, Counsel
- Various Town Department Heads
- 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 states "Without objections, we will take Sections 8 (Communications and Reports) and Section 9 (New Business) out of order." No objections noted.

Communications and Reports

08 -028 Mayor Re-appropriation for Finance Consultant (\$20,000)

- "BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL FOR THE TOWN OF BRAINTREE THAT THE SUM OF \$17,000 BE RE-APPROPRIATED FROM THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT/PERSONNEL SERVICES/DEPARTMENT HEAD LINE ITEM AND THE SUM OF \$3,000 BE RE-APPROPRIATED FROM THE TOWN ACCOUNTANT/PERSONNEL SERVICES/DEPARTMENT HEAD LINE ITEM TO THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT/GENERAL EXPENSES/CONSULTANT LINE ITEM FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUNDING THE CONTRACT WITH THE FINANCIAL CONSULTANT."

Motion: by Ways & Means Committee Chairman Mullaney to approve Re-appropriation for Finance consultant for \$20,000.

Second: by Councilor Randolph

Vote: Unanimous (of Councilors present prior to 6:52 p.m.)

New Business

08 -029 Mayor Re-appropriation for Veterans' Benefits (\$18,000)

If approved by the Council, the proper motion is as follows:

- "BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL FOR THE TOWN OF BRAINTREE THAT THE SUM OF \$18,000 BE RE-APPROPRIATED FROM THE ASSESSORS' OVERLAY SURPLUS ACCOUNT TO THE VETERANS SERVICES/VETERANS BENEFITS ACCOUNT TO FULLY FUND THE PAYMENT OF VETERANS' BENEFITS FOR THE REMAINDER OF FISCAL YEAR 2008."

Motion: by Council Vice-President Ryan to refer this to the Ways and Means Committee.

Second: by Councilor Randolph

Vote: Unanimous (of Councilors present prior to 6:52 p.m.)

08 -030B Mayor Re-appropriation from Overlay Surplus Account to Medicare Account (\$87,500)

MOTIONS, ORDERS, AND RESOLUTIONS

If approved by the Council, the proper motion is as follows:

- "BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL FOR THE TOWN OF BRAINTREE THAT THE SUM OF \$87,500 BE RE-APPROPRIATED FROM THE ASSESSORS' OVERLAY SURPLUS ACCOUNT TO THE EMPLOYEE BENEFITS/EMPLOYER MEDICARE COSTS LINE ITEM TO FULLY FUND THE TOWN'S MEDICARE OBLIGATIONS FOR THE REMAINDER OF FISCAL YEAR 2008."

Motion: by Council Vice-President Ryan to refer this to the Ways and Means Committee.

Second: by Councilor Randolph

Vote: Unanimous (of Councilors present prior to 6:52 p.m.)

Same Night Action

Council President Dingee states "Without objections, a suspension of the Rules will be in order for action on order 08-030A." No objections noted.

08 -030A Mayor Re-appropriation from Overlay Surplus Account to Medicare Account (\$87,500)

MOTIONS, ORDERS, AND RESOLUTIONS

If approved by the Council, the proper motion is as follows:

- "BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL FOR THE TOWN OF BRAINTREE THAT THE SUM OF \$37,500 BE RE-APPROPRIATED FROM THE RESERVE FUND TO THE EMPLOYEE BENEFITS/EMPLOYER MEDICARE COSTS LINE ITEM FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUNDING THE TOWN'S IMMEDIATE MEDICARE OBLIGATIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008."

Motion: by Council Vice-President Ryan

Second: by Councilor Randolph

Vote: Unanimous (of Councilors present prior to 6:52 p.m.)

MINUTES

Town Council Meeting of April 29, 2008

Motion: by Council Vice-President Ryan to approve the Town Council Meeting Minutes of **April 29, 2008**

Second: by Councilor Randolph

Vote: Unanimous

Town Council Meeting of May 1, 2008

Motion: by Council Vice-President Ryan to approve the Town Council Meeting Minutes of **May 1, 2008**

Second: by Councilor Randolph

Discussion: Page 2 – first paragraph correction of two typo's

Page 2 – add to the minutes the total FY09 Budget request (\$87,716,632) and impacts of the reduction in personnel of 23 full time positions, 3 ½ part time positions, and 5½ positions not being filled in the school department accounting for a net savings, after unemployment and health insurance costs, of \$963, 965.

Motion: by Councilor Clifford to approve the Town Council Meeting Minutes as amended

Second: by Councilor Randolph

Vote: Unanimous

Correspondence

Council President Dingee reported that there was no new correspondence.

Announcements

Councilor Randolph reports that the Youth Center had celebrated it's first anniversary this past weekend. There are now 120 members with 60 to 108 youth in attendance on any weekend. Children and parents are well pleased with youth center.

Councilor Mullaney stated that the residents along Walnut Street had reported to him that they have notice a great improvement in the response to questions under the new governmnet and singled out Terri Jarrett in the Mayor's Office.

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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